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MASS TIMES

Vigil Mass 4:30 pm (Saturday)
Sundays: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am and 5:00 pm
Holy Days: Please consult weekly bulletin.
Weekdays: Masses are on Monday, Tuesday and Friday at 6:30 a.m. and Monday through Saturday at 8:30 a.m. *Communion Services* are held Wednesday and Thursday at 6:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

There is a period of preparation for the celebration of this Sacrament. Parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptismal class. Please contact the rectory in advance.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday: 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm or call 589-2800 to make an appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

There is a six month period of preparation for the celebration of this Sacrament. Please contact the rectory to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the rectory in case of serious illness and before surgery and hospital care.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

High school students call the Religious Education Office.
Adult confirmation is available on an individual basis. Please contact the rectory to make arrangements.

Schedules for Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors & Altar Servers are also available on the web at www.saintroberts.org.

THE WEEK AHEAD



Dear Parishioners,

These days of Lent give us a chance in our busy lives to remember what is most important: God, our families, our friends, and the people who rely on us for support and encouragement, whether near or far. It is an opportunity which we can receive or reject. We could just ignore the change in music, the colors of the vestments and banners, and the call to conversion in the readings. But why not trust that the hundreds of generations who have gone before us were on to something when they observed the liturgical seasons, including this one? One of the songs we'll be singing has this chorus: "Change our hearts this time, your word says it can be. Change our minds this time, your life could make us free. We are the people your call set apart, Lord, this time change our hearts." I love that it says "this time" reminding us that no matter how many Lenten seasons we've lived through, this one is new. Each of us is a new and different person as we enter into this particular Lent.

How do our hearts need to be changed this Lent? What nook or cranny needs the light of God's Spirit to expose some laziness or selfishness or prejudice? We needn't be afraid of what we'll see because God has promised to be with us and knows our need for his grace, especially when we're looking at something unpleasant.

Our Social Concerns group has an invitation for all of us this Lent. We have some ambitious plans which will fail miserably without your support and help. We want to take seriously the call from the bishops of the California Catholic Conference and the Holy Father to help shape our state and our national priorities with Christian values. You've heard, no doubt, of the draconian cuts proposed to federal and state programs which provide assistance to our weakest and most vulnerable citizens. Globally, our financial mess has pushed millions of people in other countries from subsistence into destitution. On the weekend of March 26 and 27, we'll be asking you to write letters to Senators Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein and Representative Jackie Speier, our federal legislators; and to Jerry Hill and Leland Yee, our state legislators. We'll have samples for you, but all advocacy groups say that the most effective letters are hand-written ones which give personal examples from your own experience. We'll have paper, pens, and stamped envelopes for you. If you'd prefer, you're welcome to write your own letter at home and bring it with you to Mass that weekend. You can follow pertinent developments in the budget debate for yourself and next weekend, in my column, I'll provide some recommended points from Catholic sources. If you'd like to help us staff the writing tables that weekend, please e-mail me at sheralmar@aol.com.

Blessings on your Lent! May it be a sacred time of new life for all of us. Peace, Sheral.

Monday-March 14th

Mass Intention	6:30	Arnold, Christy & Terry
	8:30	Joseph Vinal †
Women's Guild	6:30pm	Hall
St. Vincent de Paul	7:00pm	Mahoney Room
Passion Play Reh	7:00pm	Church

Tuesday-March 15th

Mass Intention	6:30	Eduardo & Emilia Gandeza †
	8:30	Ed Hoenisch †
Adult Rel Ed	9:15am	Mary's Chapel
Rel Education	3:30pm	Church & Hall
Legion of Mary	6:30pm	LibraryRel
Confirmation	7:00pm	Hall

Wednesday-March 16th

Mass Intention	6:30	Communion Service
	8:30	Armida Moniri †
Choir Practice	7:00pm	Church

Thursday-March 17th

Mass Intention	6:30	Communion Service
	8:30	Joseph Drew †

Friday-March 18th

Mass Intention	6:30	Sean Cotter
	8:30	Vittoria Fanti †
Stations of the Cross	6pm	Church

Saturday-March 19th

Mass Intention	8:30	Joseph Vinal †
	4:30	Ralph Capella †
AA	9:30am	Mahoney Room
Grief Consolation	3:00pm	Convent

Sunday-March 20th

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Intention	7:30	People of St. Robert's
	9:30	Ed Hoenisch †
	11:30	Roseanne O'Neill †
	5:00	Mary Scannell †
Passion Play Reh	7:00pm	Church



AS A PARISH COMMUNITY, WE PRAY FOR... THE FAITHFUL, OUR RCIA, FOR ELECT, CATECHUMENS AND FOR CANDIDATES. MAY WE RESPOND TO THE SACREDNESS AND CHALLENGES OF THIS SEASON AS WE WALK TOGETHER.

**WE CONGRATULATE
THE NEWLY BAPTIZED**



Angel Kianna Aldeguer
Jennifer Michele Gonsalves
Gianni Lee Interdonato
Jela Dimayuga Lansing
Mayenna Rose Navarro

Our sincere sympathy to the families of
Victoria Bonanni, Gloria Clark &
Chritty Saint Peter
Walter Dickhoff
who died recently.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will take place in our Church at 6 PM on all the Fridays of Lent. On March 18th, they will be lead by our Fil-Am Group. All are welcome as we walk together in the footsteps of Jesus to Calvary.

It has been decided that there will be only one Soup Supper, which will take place on April 15th, in Hennessy Hall.

Children's Liturgy

Will be collecting donations of large size disposable diapers and baby wipes for both Shelter Network of San Mateo and Kelly Avenue Catholic Worker's House. Your generosity of these donations during the Lenten season for families in need is most appreciated. Kindly leave any and all donations in the Little Church. Blessings from the Children's Liturgy Team for your generous spirit during this season of Lent.

Next Week's 2nd Collection

The Catholic Home Missions Appeal works to support home mission dioceses in the United States that are unable to fund important pastoral works including lay ministry training. Home mission dioceses rely on lay ministers, because parishes are often hundreds of miles apart and priests cannot get to every parish each weekend. Please help strengthen the Church at home through your generosity to this Appeal.



Women's Guild Meeting

Monday, March 14th at 6:30 PM
In Hennessy Hall .

All women of the parish are Invited!
Dinner and Raffle \$12.00
RSPVSRwomensguild@yahoo.com

WEEKLY COLLECTION

July 1st to March 6, 2011 (goal)	338,680.00
July 1st to March 6th (actual)	321,088.48
7/1/10-6/30/11 Weekly Goal	10,490.00
Collection (actual 3/06)	9,775.00

Thank you for your generous donation of
\$2,257.26
to our School, CCD and Confirmation programs.

**2011 ARCHBISHOP'S
ANNUAL APPEAL**

As of 3/4/11
\$23,760.52
has been pledged.
Our goal this year is \$86,200.
Thank you in advance

MINISTER SCHEDULE/Mar 19 & 20

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul

Eucharistic Ministers: C. Holland (C)

R. Aveson, A. Ciraulo, M. Murphy, D. Interdonato

Lectors: B. Rudometkin and C. Aveson

Altar Servers: C. McHale and M. Herrera

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul

Eucharistic Ministers: B. Mullins (C)

A. Doherty, M. Nunnery, E. Ruggiero, A. Buelow

Lectors: T. Clifford and A. Clifford

Altar Servers: L. Clifford and A. Blumenthal

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet

Eucharistic Ministers: T. Casey (C)

M. Bourne, S. Murray, J. Sexton, J. Bartolotti

Lectors: J. Shick and D. Wilson

Altar Servers: M. Grealish, A. Kelly and L. O'Reilly

Children's Liturgy: Mark & Hilda and Gus

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Benavente (C)

F. Firpo, D. Murphy, D/C Sosa, M. Giusti

Lectors: D. Maron and C. Pisani

Altar Servers: J. Fontenot and L. Fontenot

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Salvato (C)

M. Dowden, J. Semeniuk, G. Lynch, M. Lynch

Lector: G. Picazo and L. Misculin

Altar Servers: A. Kucsak and C. Osterlund

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-March 14th

Readings: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18 Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday-March 15th

Readings: Is 55:10-11 Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday-March 16th

Readings: Jon 3:1-10 Lk 11:29-32

Thursday-March 17th

Readings: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25 Mt 7:7-12

Friday-March 18th

Readings: Ez 18:21-28 Mt 5:20-26

Saturday-March 19th

Readings: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Mt 1:16, 18-21

Sunday-March 20th

Readings: Gn 12:1-4a 2 Tm 1:8b-10 Mt 17:1-9

Living Liturgy

Our Children

Did you see *60 Minutes* last Sunday and Scott Pelley's interview with the Florida children made homeless by the recession? It broke my heart to hear them describe how impossible it was to sleep when their stomachs were growling. The embarrassment they felt being picked up by the school bus from the motel where they were staying must have been as painful for the youngsters. Having just spent 24 hours fasting for a colonoscopy, I have a tiny insight into their experience. But I knew that when it was over, I could eat whatever I wished.

Today's gospel has one of the most understated lines in the scripture: "[Jesus] fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry." Of course, he was hungry! The devil is trying to seduce him into renouncing his humanity and claiming his special relationship with God, his beloved Father. But he won't do that. He has become one with us in all our weakness and physical and spiritual needs. The other two temptations to have the Father miraculously rescue him from a fall and make him master of the world he resists as well. He will walk the way we all walk with its joys and sorrows, rewards and hardships.

But back to the hunger question. This is the other project which the Social Concerns group has in mind. Do you ever wonder how families with children receiving free lunches during the school year manage during the summer? The school district says that about 1,000 children qualify for free lunches and we have a plan to feed them with your help. We want to give them two large bags of non-perishables, fruits and vegetables to take home each Friday they're out of school. At the moment, the district feeds them lunch at Belle Air School during the month of July through the federal *Seamless Summer* program. (But who knows if that will continue with the proposed budget cuts?) We hope to cover the other weeks with portable nutritious food for the whole family to share. We have some connections for getting food donated or at cost, but if you also have connections, please let us know; paper products would also be a godsend. We also need a place to store the food items and help in transporting and distributing the food. If you'd like to help us, you could set aside the savings from your Lenten practice and donate it to this effort. Thank you. We want to respect the tight finances of many of our parishioners, so will not be spearheading a major financial effort as we have during the past three Lenten seasons.

The federal budget proposals contain major cuts to education, community health centers, WIC, the National Institutes of Health (for Parkinson's and Alzheimer's research), and housing vouchers for veterans. One plan would cut almost 40% of the key services affecting the poor. The Franciscan Action Network reminds us of the question first asked by Cain: "Am I my brother's keeper?" If you don't want these cuts to pass, please let our legislators know.

Peace,

S. Sheral



From the desk of the Pastor

St. Robert's Women's Guild did it again. The Dinner-Dance Auction last Saturday was a huge success. Congratulation and thanks to the co-chairs of the event, Karen Martinez and Patricia Casey for a job well done. The participation of the many volunteers, donors and sponsors also made it possible to make this year's Dinner-Dance Auction a memorable one. And to those who attended the event, thank you so much for your generous support. This could not have happened, of course, without the guidance of the Women's Guild president, Lori Lynch and the rest of the Guild's officers.

I hope that the success of this year's Dinner-Dance Auction will inspire and motivate us to continue this fund-raising effort to support our school for many years to come.

Father Obet

Transforming Grief

A day of spiritual retreat for those who are grieving the death of a loved one. Come together with others who are grieving and presenter, Barbara Elordi (Archdiocese of San Francisco), on Saturday, March 26 from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm at St. Anselm's in the City of Ross, Marin County.

Please call Barbara Elordi at (415) 614-5506 if you would like to attend.

ATTENTION ALL WIDOWS Mary's Widows

The second get-together of widows within our Parish Family will take place on March 24th. We will go to lunch. It has been decided by those who attended our first meeting that we will call ourselves "Mary's Widows". Please phone Anna May at (650) 589-7087 or email her at Emay@sanbrunocable.com for the time and location of our luncheon. This is necessary so that she can let the restaurant know how many to expect. Come—Join the fun.

Practicing Compassion Volunteer Acts of Kindness for Lent

Lent is a time to make faith real in practices which are a source of growth, life, and even joy. Catholic Charities CYO offers simple volunteer opportunities in Marin, San Mateo, and San Francisco counties, described below, in keeping with the traditional Lenten practice of mercy and kindness – the divine invitation to do to others as we would have them do to us. (Last weeks Bulletin listed activities for the first 3 weeks of Lent).

Fourth Week of Lent

Tuesday, April 5, 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm
[Canal Family Support](#), Tutor and read to kids

Tuesday, April 5, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
[St. Joseph's Family Center](#), Cooking with kids

Thursday, April 7, 8:15 am – 10:00 am

[OMI Senior Center](#), Distribute food bags to seniors

Thursday, April 7, 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm
[Rita da Cascia](#), Cook and serve dinner for women

Friday, April 8, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
[Treasure Island Child Development Center](#), Serve lunch to preschoolers; help plant a garden

Saturday, April 9, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

[St. Joseph's Family Center](#), Prepare and serve brunch to families

Fifth Week of Lent

Tuesday, April 12, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
[St. Joseph's Family Center](#), Cooking with kids

Thursday, April 14, 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm
[Rita da Cascia](#), Cook and serve dinner for women

Sixth Week of Lent

Tuesday, April 19, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
[St. Joseph's Family Center](#), Cooking with kids

Tuesday, April 19, 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm
[10th & Mission Youth Center](#), Reading with kids

Congratulations to this Year's Raffle Winners

Grand Prize:	Alice Foster
1st Prize:	Rina Fenech
2nd Place:	Rose Jardin
3rd Place:	Brian Boisson

We would like to take this opportunity to **Thank** all of the Chair's and their committees who donated their time and talent to help make this year's Dinner Dance a success. We hope all that attended enjoyed themselves.

CONSOLATION MINISTRY

Saint Robert's Grief Support Group's next meetings will be on **Saturday, March 19**, in the **Convent @ 349 Oak Ave** from 3:00 – 4:15. Anyone who is suffering from the loss, of a loved one – spouse, sibling, child, parent, friend or relative is invited to come together and pray, share, comfort and be comforted. You are invited to bring a friend or companion as a support and strength if you so wish. No one is pressured to speak or contribute if your pain is too intense. May God bless and comfort you in your sorrow. If you have any questions, call **Sister Patricia @ 589-0104**.