

SAINT ROBERT'S CHURCH



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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.

Dear Parishioners,

Sundays Gospel begins as a miracle but continues as a faith drama. We read a simple story of a physical healing. However, miracle stories in John's Gospel are never simple and never are called miracles. They are signs that reveal Jesus.

In Sunday's Gospel the gift of sight, which the man receives from Jesus sets him off on a journey of insight into who his healer is. I was blind and now I can see. He reflects at length on who his healer must be and makes an argument that anyone who heals a man blind from birth must be from God.

An artist's work makes us use our eyes and see the beauty that surrounds us. A haystack in snow in the golden sun of the late afternoon is beautiful. Our eyes work constantly to perceive beauty and meaning. Our eyes feed our minds and spirit with images that put us in our place in the whole of things.

We see in a baby's fingers an awesome miracle. Grand mountains inspire us. Life amazes us in the first flowers poking through snow and last seasons leaves. Our eyes move us from sight to insight.

The Lenten Gospels of cycle "A", aim to help catechumens make the journey from sight to insight, from seeing to believing, from feeling isolated to belonging to a community. In the Gospel this Sunday, we together with catechumens explore how seeing becomes believing in the life of a man born blind. **JESUS GIVES HIM SIGHT.** So my brothers and sisters, let us see with our hearts as well as our eyes.

God Bless

Deacon John.

THE WEEK AHEAD



Monday-April 4th

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| Mass Intention | 6:30 | Clementine Freidt † |
| | 8:30 | Dixie Hogg † |
| Men's Club | 6:00pm | Hall |
| Passion Play Reh | 7:00pm | Church |

Tuesday-April 5th

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| Mass Intention | 6:30 | Gene Fanucchi † |
| | 8:30 | Kathleen Sullivan † |
| Adult Rel Ed | 9:15am | Mary's Chapel |
| Rel Education | 3:30pm | Church & Hall |
| Legion of Mary | 6:30pm | Library |
| Rel Ed/Jr. High | 7:00pm | Hall |

Wednesday-April 6th

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| | 6:30 | Communion Service |
| Mass Intention | 8:30 | Art Fenech † |
| Grief Support Mtg | 9:00am | Mary's Chapel |
| Coach Basketball Meeting | 6:00pm | Hall |
| Choir Practice | 7:00pm | Church |

Thursday-April 7th

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| | 6:30 | Communion Service |
| Mass Intention | 8:30 | Joseph Vinal † |
| Parish Planning Comm. | 7:30 | Mahoney Romm |

Friday-April 8th

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| Mass Intention | 6:30 | Andrea Wong † |
| | 8:30 | Joseph Vinal † |
| Stations of the Cross | 6pm | Church |
| Soup Supper | 6:30 pm | Hall |
| Passion Play Reh | 6:45pm | Church |

Saturday-April 9th

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| Mass Intention | 8:30 | Marie Trini Quintana † |
| | 4:30 | Joseph Vinal † |
| AA | 9:30am | Mahoney Room |

Sunday-April 10th

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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| Mass Intention | 7:30 | Emilio & Mocelin Families † |
| | 9:30 | Mary O'Neill † |
| | 11:30 | Anthony Yaquinto † |
| | 5:00 | People of St. Robert's |
| Legion of Mary | 7:00pm | Hall |
| Passion Play Reh | 7:00pm | Church |



AS A PARISH COMMUNITY, WE PRAY FOR...NATIONS AND PEOPLE BLINDED BY HATRED AND PREJUDICE. MAY THE HEALING LOVE OF JESUS GIVE US EYES TO SEE THE POTENTIAL GOODNESS THAT LIES IN THE HEARTS OF ALL PEOPLE.



Our sincere sympathy to the family of
Lawrence Welsh
Eugene Reynolds
who died recently.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On Friday, April 8th, at 6PM, Stations will be held in the Church. They will be led by Sister Sheral. Our Lenten Soup Supper will follow in the Hall. You will find a basket on the serving table for the donation of what you would have spent for your Friday dinner. Our St. Vincent de Paul Society will use your gift to help those members of our parish family who are in the midst of financial difficulties.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous donation of
\$912.22
to the Black, Indian & Catholic Home Missions.

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| July 1st to March 27, 2011 (goal) | 370,150.00 |
| July 1st to March 27th (actual) | 348,836.00 |
| 7/1/10-6/30/11 Weekly Goal | 10,490.00 |
| Collection (actual 3/27) | 8,638.18 |

2011 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

As of 3/24/11
\$37,624.52
has been pledged.
Our goal this year is **\$86,200.**
Thank you in advance

Catholic Relief Services Collection

Our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. This Collection supports six Catholic agencies benefiting millions of vulnerable, displaced, and impoverished families and individuals around the world. From direct humanitarian service to helping victims of human trafficking and working to reunify families, the funds from this Collection make a real difference in lives across the globe. **How will you help?** Next week, please support The Catholic Relief Services Collection and **Jesus in disguise.**

Special Collection for Japan

If you would like to donate to help the people in Japan, please write Japan on the memo line of your check and put it in the Second Collection next week. If you prefer to use cash, it must be placed in an envelope with Japan put on the outside. The second collection that weekend is scheduled for Catholic Relief Services, which is different, and all unmarked checks and cash will be sent to Catholic Relief Services, which helps people in other parts of the world. Thank you for your understanding.

Parish Mission on Healing Wednesday, April 13th & Thursday, April 14th Evening Sessions at 7pm

Mr. John Cojanis, a Catholic Lay Missionary from the Tucson Diocese, will be conducting our Lenten Mission on Healing. The mission is for Spiritual, Emotional and Physical Healing. John has been conducting missions for over 30 years in dioceses across the country. Prior to our mission he will be visiting Our Lady of Angels in Burlingame, Good Shepherd in Pacifica and St. Dunstan in Millbrae. John comes highly recommended. He will also be speaking at all the Masses on April 9th and 10th so that you can hear him in advance. If you can not attend the evening session please note that John will be conducting a morning session on Monday and Tuesday at 10am at St. Dunstan in Millbrae. We pray for a very beautiful experience for all who attend.

MINISTER SCHEDULE/APR 9 & 10

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet
Eucharistic Ministers: R. Hanley (C)
D. Hageman, R. Aveson, J. Waldvogel, A. Ciraulo
Lectors: C. Aveson and J. Cronin
Altar Servers: J. Silva and M. Herrera

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul
Eucharistic Ministers: J. Aldinger (C)
F. Reyes, C. Noce, M. Noce, R. Lahoz
Lectors: A. Clifford and T. Clifford
Altar Servers: L. Clifford and A. Blumenthal

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Ring
Eucharistic Ministers: G. Sinks (C)
J. Sexton, A. Solis, T. Jones, M. Bourne
Lectors: D. Jolie and C. Sinks
Altar Servers: N. Mogannam, S. O'Halloran and
T. O'Halloran
Children's Liturgy: Esperanza & Nubia and Ben & Lisa

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet
Eucharistic Ministers: R. Benavente (C)
D. Murphy, C. Morgan, H. Madayag, D/C Sosa
Lectors: R. Hill and C. Pisani
Altar Servers: R. Benavente and I. Galindo

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul
Eucharistic Ministers: D. Ferris (C)
S. Mangold, C. Innes, M. Mahoney, M. Aberouette
Lector: M. Innes and G. Picazo
Altar Servers: E. Gonzalez and A. Davis

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-April 4th

Readings: Is 65:17-21 Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday-April 5th

Readings: Ez 47:1-9, 12 Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday-April 6th

Readings: Is 49:8-15 Jn 5:17-30

Thursday-April 7th

Readings: Ex 32:7-14 Jn 5:31-47

Friday-April 8th

Readings: Wis 2:1a, 12-22 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday-April 9th

Readings: Jer 11:18-20 Jn 7:40-53

Sunday-April 10th

Readings: Ez 37:12-14 Rom 8:8-11 Jn 11:1-45

“Giving Back to the Community”



Every Friday of Lent we pray the Stations of the Cross in the church. The object of this devotion is to help the faithful to make a spiritual pilgrimage of prayer through meditating upon the chief scenes of the sufferings and death of Christ. For many years it has been the practice here at St. Robert's to have a soup supper following the Stations. This year it has been decided that only one soup supper will be held on the last Friday of Lent. This arrangement was made because of the lack of volunteers to prepare the soup supper. Fortunately, at the last minute the Abellana family stepped up to the plate to sponsor the soup supper every Friday of Lent. Thank you so much to the Abellana family. They said that serving the community is part of their observance of the disciplines of Lent.

Another parishioner who is giving back to the community is Allen Isidro. Together with his wife Elaine he is offering American Line Dancing lessons once a month here at St. Robert's. Line dancing is fun and it is really a good form of exercise. Participants are asked to donate \$10 for a three-hour lesson and all the proceeds go to St. Robert's. We are blessed to have a parishioner like Allen Isidro who is willing to donate his time and talent to help our parish.

Again we are very fortunate to have parishioners like Una Uniacke and Michael Salazar who have stepped up to the plate to co-chair this year's Parish Festival. It is a huge responsibility but together with all the other volunteers from our parish and school we can make this year's festival in September a success.

Centerplate season is just around the corner. Centerplate is a big source of revenue to help finance the Outdoor Education of the school and the Sports Program of the parish. Part of the money also goes to the Rainy Day Fund and the Teacher's Fund. I would like to thank our Centerplate team leaders and volunteers for keeping this fund raising ongoing season after season. Of course, we still need more volunteers so we can have a banner year this season. We are using a new software program for signing up. Please check out our website and choose the games you want to go to. Last year's net revenue is \$62,859.78. Let's keep this going by volunteering your time and by doing so you are giving back to the community.

Keeping Faith in Difficult Times

A few weeks ago we sang a song which included the verse, "Teach us to make use of the time we have. Teach us to be patient even as we wait. Teach us to embrace our every joy and pain; to sleep peacefully and to rise up strong." The song has been running through my mind when I awaken in the morning, perhaps, because we can't help but be reminded of the fragility of life. Friends have heart attacks or strokes; the Sisters of Mercy lose six members of their community in a few months; the conflicts throughout the world bring scenes of weeping families into our homes and hearts.

And yet...We do believe what the refrain of the same song says, "In every age, O God, you have been our refuge. In every age, O God, you have been our hope." These days surely do test our faith and our trust in the God of life. We know that our God only wants good for us, what Jesus promises, "life in abundance." God's choice of David over all his brothers reminds us that God chooses the unlikely ones to be his friends and disciples. Paul's letter to the Ephesians admonishes us, "Live as children of the light, for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth." If we have ever had any experience of God's presence, now is the time to recall it, savor it, and let it nourish us again. The man born blind comes to faith slowly (as many of us do) and with many people discounting his experience of healing. His countrymen blame his blindness on sinfulness, as was the custom in those days, and so discount his testimony. But he is honest and direct and will not deny what he knows to be true. How about us? Have we had a personal experience of God which we may have shrugged off because someone else didn't believe us when we tried to share it? Go to a peaceful place (physically or in your mind) and ask God's Spirit to be with you as you ask for the grace to revisit that experience. The Lord tries so often to be present to us and we so often keep busy so that quiet voice can't get through. Just once this week, be still for a few minutes and open your heart. You may find yourself resting in God.

**Peace,
S. Sheral**

This weekend at all the Masses, we'll offer the letters you have written, asking that our foreign aid be targeted to reducing hunger and poverty in poor countries. This is another aspect of the almsgiving we've always done during Lent.

**Peace,
S. Sheral**

Please Volunteer and Support St. Roberts

Thank you for participating in this important activity for Saint Robert's. It is another opportunity to meet fellow parishioners and to help support our sports, school and parish programs.

Centerplate, the company which runs the concessions at AT&T Park, had guidelines to which we must adhere.

1. No one can be under 16. Minors must have some form of id to check birthday.
2. Volunteers will carpool from St. Robert's to AT&T Park. If someone is coming from work please let us know.
3. Centerplate has strict dress policy. **All volunteers must wear full length black pants, a white shirt with collar and closed toe shoes.**

The Coordinator and Centerplate stand manager will train volunteers in food preparation, use of cash register, stand operations and cleanup. To sign up please go to www.saintroberts.org and click on Centerplate.



| Day | Date | Opponent | Leaving St. Roberts | Game Time |
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| Friday | April 8 | Cardinals | 8:15 am | 1:35 pm |
| Saturday | April 9 | Cardinals | 1:15 pm | 6:05 pm |
| Sunday | April 10 | Cardinals | 8:15 am | 1:05 pm |
| Wednesday | April 13 | Dodgers | 2:45 pm | 7:15 pm |
| Friday | May 6 | Rockies | 2:45 pm | 7:15 pm |
| Sunday | May 8 | Rockies | 8:15 am | 1:05 pm |
| Friday | May 20 | Athletics | 2:45 pm | 7:15 pm |
| Saturday | May 21 | Athletics | 1:15 am | 4:10 pm |
| Sunday | May 22 | Athletics | 8:15 pm | 1:05 pm |
| Friday | June 24 | Indians | 2:45 pm | 7:15 pm |
| Saturday | June 25 | Indians | 1:30 pm | 6:05 pm |
| Sunday | June 26 | Indians | 8:15 pm | 1:05 pm |
| Friday | July 8 | Mets | 2:45 pm | 7:15 pm |
| Saturday | July 9 | Mets | 8:50 pm | 1:10 pm |
| Sunday | July 10 | Mets | 12:00 pm | 5:05 pm |
| Monday | July 18 | Dodgers | 2:45 pm | 7:15 pm |



AIDS LUNCH –April 13th

The second Wednesday of the month is our donation day. If you can help by providing your favorite dish for up to 12 people that would be great. Please put in a non-returnable container and leave in the little church room in the vestibule of the Church by 9:30 am. Frozen items are acceptable.

Thank you for your continued assistance.

Princess Daughter

2011 Mother/Daughter Program for 10 - 12 year old girls and their mothers. Come learn about "God's Plan for Growing Up" and becoming a woman. The program is presented by Natural Family Planning teachers who will emphasize respect, understanding and appreciation for God's gifts. Sunday, April 10th in San Carlos from 1 to 4 pm; cost is \$15.00 per family. Reservations are required. Visit www.allingodsplan.com or call Sandra Dillon at [650-574-3910](tel:650-574-3910).