

Saint Robert's Church

January 7, 2018



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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 Day Masses: 8:30 am and 6:00 pm

Weekdays: Masses are Monday through Saturday at 8:30 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.

Dear Parishioners,

Several years back I was having a spirited discussion with a man who claimed to be an atheist about God's actions in the Bible. I mentioned that in the Old Testament God worked through his Chosen People, the Hebrews. The man looked aghast and stopped me right there. "How could a God who claimed to be loving choose only one group of people to have the privilege of knowing him?"

His response is understandable because God's Salvation Plan stuns with its creativity, originality and audacity. For indeed God did choose one small, clannish fierce tribe in the Middle East as His People. But throughout the Old Testament he states that the Gentiles (non-Jewish) will be given the opportunity to know and worship Him. Today's Epiphany fulfills God's promise as God directs the Magi via the star to His Son, Jesus, born of the line of King David.

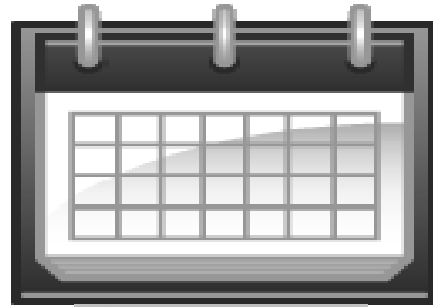
The Magi are fascinating figures as there is no definitive knowledge about them. The Bible does not state they were three kings. Biblical scholars believe they could've been Persian astronomers or philosophers. Nonetheless, by drawing them to His Son Jesus, God indicates that He is expanding to all people to know Him as one the true God. The birth of Jesus means that we *all* have the opportunity to become God's Chosen People.

Father Tony Vallecillo

Men's Club News

No January 1st meeting. Crab dinner will be on January 27th. For more information call Bart Murphy 650-296-7025 or Rico Medina at 650-869-5009.

THE WEEK AHEAD



Monday-January 8th

Mass Intention 8:30 Elizabeth Schieffer †
Women's Guild Mtg 6:30pm Hall
St. Vincent de Paul 7:00pm Mahoney Room

Tuesday-January 9th

Mass Intention 8:30 Milan Kovacicic †
Adult Rel Ed 9:15am Rectory
Rel Ed (Gr K-5) 3:30pm Hall & Church
Confirmation/Yr 1 7:00pm Hall & Church
Legion of Mary 7:00pm Library

Wednesday-January 10th

Mass Intention 8:30 Fernanda Pignati †
Children's Choir 3:00pm Church
Choir Practice 7:00pm Church

Thursday-January 11th

Mass Intention 8:30 Jose Bayangos †
Grownup's Mtg 3:30pm Hall

Friday-January 12th

Mass Intention 8:30 Marija Gregov †

Saturday-January 13th

Mass Intention 8:30 Al Lovett †
4:30 Michael David Yanke †
AA Meeting 10:00am Mahoney Room

Women's Guild

On Monday, January 8, 2018, the Women's Guild will celebrate their Annual "Breakfast for Dinner" with BINGO! Meetings are \$15 which include dinner and drinks. Please <https://sites.google.com/site/srwomensguild/rsvp>.

Please remember
Saint Robert's Church
when making a will or trust.



As a community of faith, we pray that peace will come to our troubled world. May we respond to the cries of those driven from their homes by poverty, violence, famine or war.

**We congratulate
the newly baptized**

*Margaret Elizabeth Helmer
Savannah Christine Hendricks
Anthony Alexander Sy*



We continue to ask each week that parishioners pray for the chronically ill of our parish. If you have a friend or loved one in need of our prayers, please call the Rectory at 589-2800



This week we pray for

*Jim Crilly, Edward DeLaTorre
Chris Sigillo, Alejandra Maldonado
Maria Rendon, Alexander Sepulveda
Mary Gilbert*

Our sincere sympathy to the family of



**George Griffin
who died recently**

STEWARDSHIP

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

This year's collection to date: a new record -
\$54,087.41 (last year's collection was \$50,670.37)
Thank you for your generous donation.

July 1st to December 31st (goal)	280,000.00
July 1st to December 24th (actual)	240,396.61
July 1st to December 31st (actual) (including E Contributions)	255,323.88
7/1/17—6/30/18 Weekly (Goal)	10,000.00
Weekly Collection (actual 12/24)	6,978.87
Weekly Collection (actual 12/31)	7,582.27
(E Cont for month of December)	7,270.00
Thank you for your generosity	

Thank you for your generous donation of **\$3,546.74**
to our St. Vincent de Paul Society.

2017 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

As of 12/20/17

Total Pledge to Date \$116,396.03
Total Cash Donations to Date \$116,396.03
Archdiocese tax Due \$122,729.00

Thank you in advance for your generous donation.

Thanks

Fr. Greene and Fr. Tony are very grateful to everyone who gave Christmas gifts to our priests and staff. We enjoyed all the Christmas goodies you made!

Very Thankful

I would like to thank everyone who made Christmas so wonderful at St. Robert's: Sister Sheral and all who cleaned and decorated the church; to all who donated for Christmas flowers; all our musicians; all of our ushers; lectors; Eucharistic ministers; and altar servers. I am so grateful to all of you. May God bless you all.

Fr. John L. Greene

**Saint Robert Catholic School
KINDERGARTEN APPLICATIONS-2018-2019**

Information and applications for Kindergarten are available now at the school office or at www.saintrobert-school.org. Please personally bring completed Kindergarten applications to the school office, January 8th through January 26th between 8:00am - 3:00 pm. Applicants must be 5 years of age by September 1, 2018. Please be sure to include with your child's application, a copy of their birth and baptismal certificates, a family picture, and the application fee. Thank you for your interest in our school! Open House Saint Robert Catholic School will hold its annual Open House on Thursday evening, February 1, 2018, from 7:00 to 8:00p.m. All are Welcome!

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY St. Robert School, mindful of its mission to be witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students of any race, color and national and/or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at this school. St. Robert School does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color and national and/or ethnic origin in administration of education policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, athletic and other school administered programs.

IF YOU ARE NEW TO ST. ROBERT'S, fill out a registration form and drop it either in the collection basket, the mail, or at the parish office.

2017 TAXES

If you would like a letter regarding your 2017 donations, please call the Rectory at (650) 589-2800.

GIVE ELECTRONICALLY

St. Robert's relies on the financial support of its parishioners and the electronic giving program offers convenience for you, and provides much needed donation consistency for our Parish. To give electronically, visit www.saintroberts.org and click on the link to sign up.

MINISTER SCHEDULE/JAN 13TH & 14TH

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

President: Fr. Greene

Eucharistic Ministers: Jean W. (C)

Albert C., Christina I., Sophia C., Tricia P.

Lectors: Barbara R. and Marilyn D.

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

President: Fr. Greene

Eucharistic Ministers: Nora R. (C)

Brian M., Emil R., Reena C., Rose V.

Lectors: Rocca A. and Jomarie M.

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

President: Fr. Tony

Eucharistic Ministers: Maryann S. (C)

Donna M., Maryann B., Sam M., Trish C.

Lectors: Sophia L. and Jim S.

Children's Liturgy: Beth and Paola

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

President: Fr. Tony

Eucharistic Ministers: Margo G. (C)

Charles A., Joyce M., Lina R., Maureen H.

Lectors: Thelma T. and Mario B.

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

President: Fr. Stewart

Eucharistic Ministers: George L. (C)

Gerry H., Mike S., Una U., Zulma T.

Lectors: Joanne B. and Sheral M.

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-January 8th

Readings: Is 55:1-11 Mk 1:7-11

Tuesday-January 9th

Readings: 1 Sm 1:9-20 Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday-January 10th

Readings: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20 Mk 1:29-39

Thursday-January 11th

Readings: 1 Sm 4:1-11 Mk 1:40-45

Friday-January 12th

Readings: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a Mk 2:1-12

Saturday-January 13th

Readings: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1
Mk 2:13-17

Sunday-January 14th

Readings: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19
1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20 Jn 1:35-42