

# Saint Robert's Church

December 2, 2018



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Rev. Stewart Wilber, Sunday Assistant  
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Deacon John Meyer, Pastoral Associate  
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Ms. Joanne Bartolotti - Director  
Mrs. Leslie Fong, Office Manager

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Mr. Kevin Imbimbo

#### **PARISH SCHOOL - 583-5065**

Dr. Bruce Colville, Interim Principal

#### **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. Please contact the rectory to make arrangements.**

### Fr. Tony Transferred

We are sad to announce that our Associate Pastor, Fr. Tony is being transferred from Saint Robert's to a new parish. Because of the shortage of priests and Fr. Tony's ability to speak Spanish, the Archbishop has assigned him to the newly combined parish of St. Charles, St. Peter's and Saint Antony's in the Mission district of San Francisco. This new assignment will begin on Tuesday, January 1, 2019.

A special farewell reception will take place on Sunday, December 30th after the 11:30 a.m. All are invited to attend!

We are so grateful for the 2 1/2 years Fr. Tony spent at Saint Robert's. He was a wonderful gift to our parish and school and was a great help to Fr. Greene.

We are all so sorry to see him go and wish him all God's blessings in his new assignment.

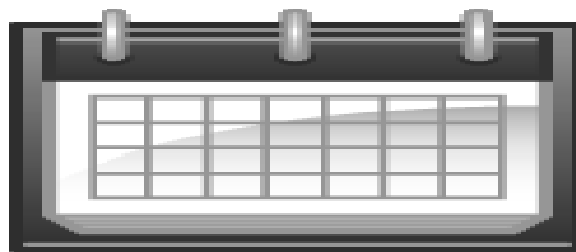
Fr. Bonifacio Espeleta Jr. will be the new Associate Pastor at Saint Robert's beginning January 1st.

### **SIMBANG GABI**

St. Roberts Fil-Am Group is hosting the traditional Simbang Gabi, a nine-day novena of Masses in preparation for Christmas, Dec. 15th thru Dec 23rd, at 7:00 PM. Simbang Gabi expresses the cultural and religious heritage of the Filipinos to prepare and celebrate the birth of Jesus, our Lord. Everyone is invited and welcome to participate. The children of our parish are especially invited for the parol processional at the beginning of each Mass. Fellowship and reception follows each Mass at the Hall. Our Simbang Gabi culminates on Dec. 23rd with the annual Fil-Am Christmas party. Join us ALL to continue this joyous tradition and celebrate Our Savior's birth. For information and participation, food donations, and Mass sponsorships, please call: Albert Reyes 238-4923.

**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.

## **THE WEEK AHEAD**



### **Monday-December 3rd**

Mass Intention 8:30 Ming Lacsina †  
**Men's Club 6:00pm Hall**

### **Tuesday-December 4th**

Mass Intention 8:30 Michael Shanahan, Jr. †  
**Adult Education 9:15am Rectory**  
**Rel Ed (Gr 1 thru 5) 3:30pm Hall & Church**  
**Legion of Mary 6:30pm Rectory**  
**Rel Ed (Jr. High) 7:00pm Hall & Church**

### **Wednesday-December 5th**

Mass Intention 8:30 George Griffin †  
**RCIA 7:00pm Rectory**  
**Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Church**

### **Thursday-December 6th**

Mass Intention 8:30 Arturo Domingos †  
**Grief Consolation 9:00am Church**  
**Children's Choir 3:15pm Church**

### **Friday-December 7th**

Mass Intention 8:30 Marie Sonfet Lausan †  
**Inbetweeners 6:30pm Hall**

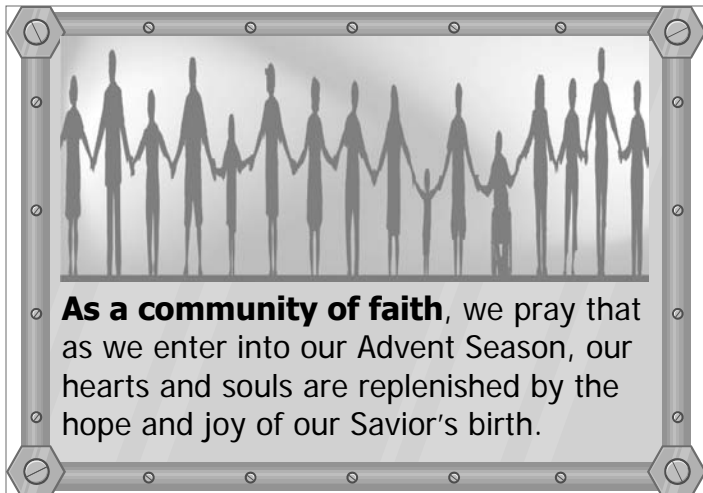
### **Saturday-December 8th**

Mass Intention 8:30 Lapurisima Capulong †  
4:30 Rith Lindsey †  
**AA Meeting 10:00am Mahoney Room**

## **Grown Ups Holiday Luncheon**

Please join us for the luncheon on **Wednesday, December 19th** at the Basque Cultural Center. Social hour is 11 am lunch at noon.

The cost is \$32.50 per person. Reservations due on December 12th. For more information call Helen Mantler at 650 589-2497.



**As a community of faith**, we pray that as we enter into our Advent Season, our hearts and souls are replenished by the hope and joy of our Savior's birth.

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***

- Francisca Perez
- Chris Sigillo
- Loraine Strong
- Elvira Weiler

**Our sincere sympathy to the families of**



- Frank Balistreri
- Eamon Bowler
- Michael Kurk
- Tina Nazzal

**who died recently**

# STEWARDSHIP

July 1st to Nov. 25th (goal)	220,000.00
July 1st to Nov. 25th (actual) (including E Contributions)	198,019.61
7/1/18—6/30/19 Weekly (Goal)	10,000.00
Weekly Collection (actual 11/18)	7,433.00
Weekly Collection (actual 11/25)	7,140.05
(E Cont for month of October)	8,450.00
<b>Thank you for your generosity</b>	

Thank you for your generous donation of **\$2,765.76** to the Campaign for Human Development and **\$2,054.50** to our School, CCD and Confirmation Programs.

**2018 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

**As of 11/30/18**

Total Pledge to Date	\$ 96,564.26
Total Cash Donations to Date	\$ 96,314.26
Archdiocese tax Due	\$121,212.00

***Thank you in advance for your generous donation.***

**ADVENT REFLECTION ON TUESDAY,  
DEC 11, 7-8:30PM**

Father Tony and Christian writer/speaker Christine Watkins will be offering an Advent reflection "Stories of Encounters with Jesus and Mary, and Living in the Presence of God." Father Tony will share his personal testimonial of his call to the priesthood. The evening will end with an opportunity to receive an Advent blessing.

**"Adopt-A-Family Tree"**

"Adopt-A-Family Tree" Gift tags will be available after all the Masses this weekend, December 1-2. Gifts will be collected on the weekends of December 8-9 & 15-16. Thanks for your help. Rob Aveson.

**"The Sick and Homebound"**

This advent, as is traditional at St. Robert's, we will be collecting gifts to distributed to the Sick and Homebound of our parish and neighborhood. Gifts, for both ladies and men, such as Afghans, Lap-rugs, gloves, scarves, socks etc., etc. are needed. Please, place your donated gifts in the BASKET in the Sanctuary. Thank you. Any questions e-mail Sister Patricia posullivan3@juno.com or call (650)-763-8822

**Giving Tree**

The Children's Liturgy annual Giving Tree ornaments are all up! Purchased item should be returned unwrapped along with the gift tags to the rectory by December 20th. These gifts will be distributed to families in San Mateo County. Thank you for your generosity.

**MEMORIAL CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**

Christmas flowers will decorate the church during the Christmas Season. If you would like to make a donation of \$10 toward their purchase in memory or in honor of a loved one, please fill out the form below and return it to the rectory by Friday, December 21st. Please make checks payable to St. Robert's.

My Gift in Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_  
 My Gift in Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Breakfast with Santa**

Our Annual Breakfast with Santa will be on Saturday December 8 with two seatings-- 8:30 am and 10:30 am. Starting this year, we will be collecting online reservations. We've also included the form online just in case. Please go to the Women's Guild webpage for reservations: <https://sites.google.com/site/srwomensguild/home> We hope to see you there for this fun morning!

### **Fil-Am Group**

The Fil-Am Group will have a meeting Thursday, December 6th, 7pm at the Mahoney room. This is an important meeting to discuss and finalize the Simbang Gabi novena/celebrations for December 15-23

### **ALTAR SOCIETY - MARTHAS**

Due to the loss of some of our Marthas to illness or moving out of the parish, we need your help. St. Roberts is blessed to have a group of ladies who quietly work behind the scenes and faithfully take care of our center of worship. Because of them our Eucharistic celebrations run smoothly. They dust the ambo and altar; remove wax from candleholders and polish them; keep the sanctuary clean and tidy; take home altar linens; wash and iron them. If you feel the desire to serve Jesus and His people in this way, please call Anna May at 589-7087. The commitment is only four mornings during one month each year.

### **Men's Club**

Monthly Men's Club Meeting  
Monday, December 3rd. Doors open at 6 PM  
All men of the parish are welcome.

### **Kindergarten Tours**

If you are thinking about sending your child to Saint Robert Catholic School, now is the perfect time to schedule a Wednesday tour. Come take a walk around the school with the Principal, Dr. Bruce Colville, and learn about the many wonderful curriculum choices and activities at your Parish School. Please call 650-583-5065 to schedule a tour. Your child must be five by September 1, 2019 in order to apply for Kindergarten. Thank you.

# MINISTER SCHEDULE/DEC 8TH & 9TH

## **Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass**

**President: Fr. Greene**

**Eucharistic Ministers: Jean W.**

Katie B., Rob A., Sophia C.

**Lectors:** Christina C. and Paul S.

**Altar Servers:** Cristiana K.

## **Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass**

**President: Fr. Stewart**

**Eucharistic Ministers: Cindy B.**

Eloisa C., Janet A., Kathleen H., Sean Q.

**Lectors:** Colin C. and Tony C.

**Altar Servers:** Jaden N. and Dante C.

## **Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass**

**President: Fr. Greene**

**Eucharistic Ministers: Cynthia M.**

Amparo S., Donna M., Sam M., Trish C.

**Lectors:** Janet T. and Josie P.

**Altar Servers:** Chad C., Garbriel C. and Jason V.

**Children's Liturgy:** Christine (combined)

## **Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass**

**President: Fr. Tony**

**Eucharistic Ministers: Ethel G.**

Joyce M., Maureen H., Thelma T., Veronica P.

**Lectors:** Doug H. and Mario B.

**Altar Servers:** Jordan G. and Clarissa W.

## **Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass**

**President: Fr. Tony**

**Eucharistic Ministers: Andy F.**

Donna F., Joe L., Laura D., Lorena A.

**Lectors:** Neil B. and Robert N.

**Altar Servers:** Luke M. and Devany M.

## **WEEKLY READINGS**

### **Monday-December 3rd**

Readings: Is 2:1-5 Mt 8:5-11

### **Tuesday-December 4th**

Readings: Is 11:1-10 Lk 10:21-24

### **Wednesday-December 5th**

Readings: Is 25:6-10a Mt 15:29-37

### **Thursday-December 6th**

Readings: Is 26:1-6 Mt 7:21, 24-27

### **Friday-December 7th**

Readings: Is 29:17-24 Mt 9:27-31

### **Saturday-December 8th**

Readings: Gn 3:9-15, 20 Eph 1:3-6, 11-12  
Lk 1:26-38

### **Sunday-December 9th**

Readings: Bar 5:1-9 Phil 1:4-6, 8-11  
Lk 3:1-6