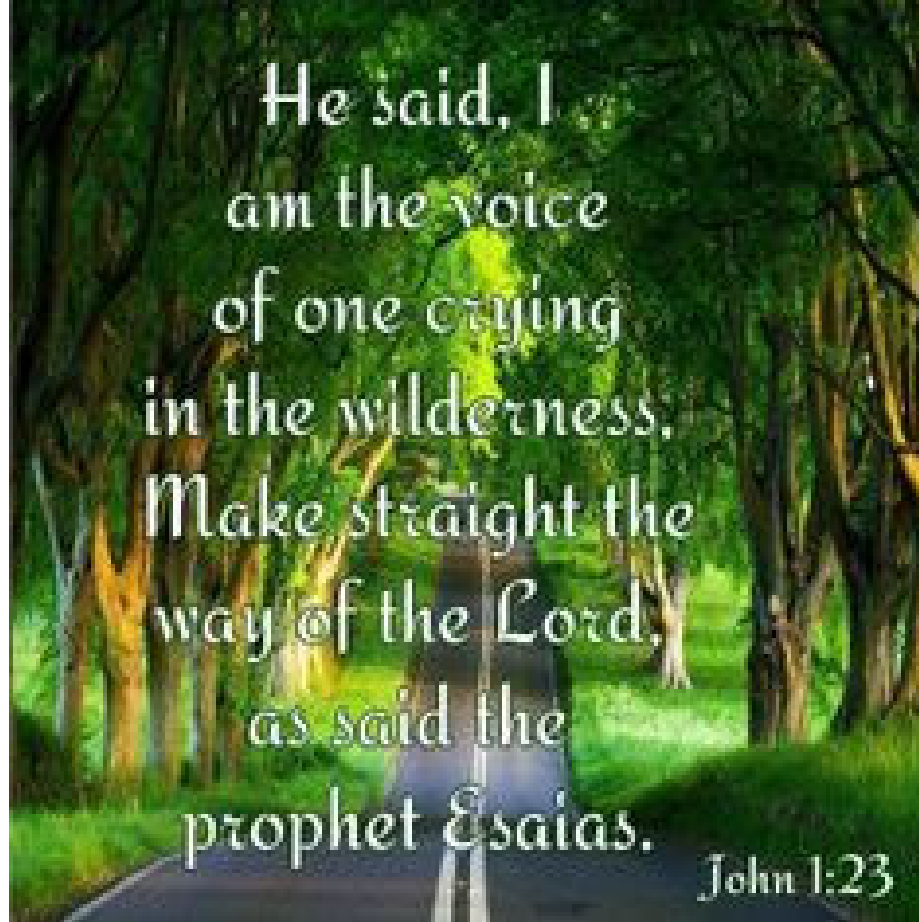


Saint Robert's Church

December 13, 2020



Rectory Office: 1380 Crystal Springs Rd.
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Web Site: www.saintroberts.org

All Masses will be livestream on
www.Facebook.com/saintrobertssanbruno/live
and Youtube

Rev. Arnold Zamora, Pastor
Rev. Boie Espeleta, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Vincent Ring, *Pastor Emeritus*
Rev. Stewart Wilber, Sunday Assistant
Deacon Rusty Duffey, Pastoral Associate
Deacon John Meyer, Pastoral Associate
Transitional Deacon, Benjamin Rosado
Sister Sheral Marshall, OSF,
Pastoral Associate for Liturgy
Ms. Rose Aragon - 589-2800
Office Administrator
Mrs. Judy DeMartini - 589-2800
Parish Receptionist/Bookkeeper

PUBLIC SCHOOL RELIGION CLASSES (CCD) - 588-0477
Ms. Joanne Bartolotti - Director
Mrs. Leslie Fong, Office Manager

PARISH MUSIC MINISTRY – 589-2800
Mr. Kevin Imbimbo

MASS TIMES

Vigil Mass 4:30 pm (Saturday) **Online**
Sundays: 9:30 am, 11:30 am **Outdoors**
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.**

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we celebrate the Third Sunday of Advent. If you're like many of us, your sense of the days and months is confused! This day is also called "Gaudete Sunday," meaning in Latin "be joyful" Sunday, since the celebration of Christmas is coming near. It is Sunday's second reading from Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians 5:16-24 and begins "Brothers and Sisters, rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus. Do not quench the Spirit...Test everything, retain what is good...The one who calls you is faithful and he will also accomplish it."

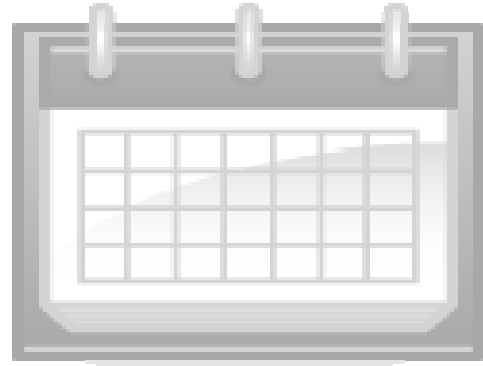
So what are we learning during this time that is brand new for all of us? What might the God who is faithful be revealing to us about ourselves and each other? I don't want to presume to speak for you since many of our experiences are unique to each of us. I invite you to sit quietly or take a walk and ask yourself, your deepest self, that question. Here's what I've learned in order of least to most important: I've learned that I really am not gifted with details and that this lack in my ability often ends up inconveniencing others. I don't sleep well when I'm worried about small happenings or major ones. I need to be grateful for all the small and huge acts of kindness being offered from little ones to senior citizens toward those most in need. I want to make the Sign of the Cross when I awake and consciously offer my day, whatever it holds, to God for the healing emotionally, physically and spiritually of all my sisters and brothers.

Many people these days are praying to Mary under the title of Our Lady of Guadalupe for those affected by the virus. Since she visited the Indigenous people of Mexico in 1531 after the invasion by Cortez and the Spanish army and assured them of her protection, the faithful of many countries have sought her intercession.

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe, Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas, we come to you today as your beloved children and ask you to intercede for us with your son, as you did at the wedding in Cana. Pray for us, Loving Mother, and gain for our nation and world, and for our families and all our loved ones, the protection of your Holy Angels, that we may be spared the worst of Coronavirus. For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing. Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust. In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind. Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts. We come to you with confidence, knowing that you truly are our Compassionate Mother, Health of the Sick and Cause of our Joy. Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms. Help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus. Amen.

Peace,
Sr. Sheral

THE WEEK AHEAD



Monday-December 14th

Mass Intention 8:30 Savina Waldvogel †

Tuesday-December 15th

Mass Intention 8:30 Jose Bayangos †

Wednesday-December 16th

Mass Intention 8:30 Helen Carrillo †

Thursday-December 17th

Mass Intention 8:30 Altagracia Zelidon †

Friday-December 18th

Mass Intention 8:30 Jim Olmo †

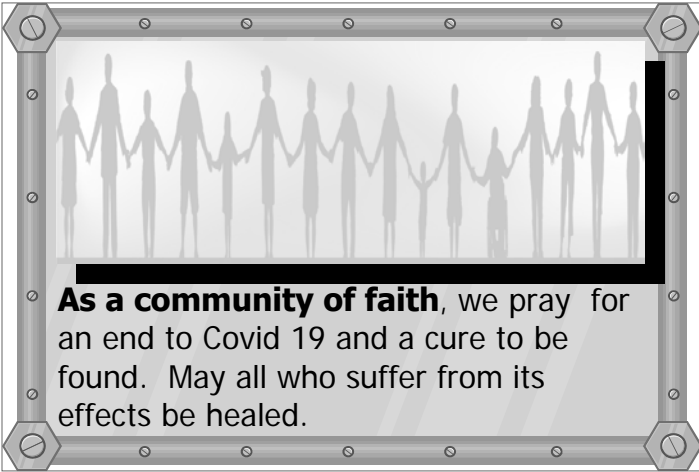
Saturday-December 19th

Mass Intention 8:30 Angela Lynn †
4:30 Annette Cruz †

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 19th. Please make checks payable to St. Robert's.

My Gift in Memory of: _____
My Gift in Honor of: _____
Given by: _____



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
 Jose Antonio Perez
 Francisca Perez

STEWARDSHIP

July 1st to December 6th (goal)	230,000.00
July 1st to December 6th (actual) (including E Contributions)	156,984.72
7/1/20—6/30/21 Weekly (Goal)	10,000.00
Weekly Collection (actual 12/06)	3,632.00
(E Cont for month of November)	11,583.00
Thank you for your generosity	

2020 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

As of 12/08/20

Archdiocese tax Due	\$ 119,462.00
Total Pledges	\$ 79,761.84
Total Donations to Date	\$ 79,586.84
STILL NEEDED	\$ 39,700.16

Thank you for your generous donation.

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.

Giving Tree

The Saint Robert's Little Church Giving Tree is now up! Due to the pandemic, we will not be placing physical tags on the tree as in years past. However, we decided to put the tree up anyway as a symbol of the joy that gift giving brings to our hearts and souls as we come together as a community and help all those in need, especially during these unprecedented difficult times.

Our parish has been one of StarVista's top donation sites. Last year we helped over 120 families with all of the donated toys and gifts from our amazing parishioners. StarVista is San Mateo County's largest non-profit located in San Carlos, CA. For more than 50 years they have helped families in need through counseling, crisis prevention, youth housing and early childhood programs. Please take a picture of the flyer posted near the tree so you may be able to copy the URL webpage where StarVista has uploaded a link to the list of items the children need, an item from their wishlist or you may purchase a gift card directly from their website at: www.star-vista.org

SIMBANG GABI St. Augustine

The Filipino Ministry of the Archdiocese of San Francisco will be celebrating the 13th Simbang Gabi Annual Commissioning Mass next Thursday, December 10, 2020, 5:00 PM at St. Augustine Church. It will be an OUTDOOR Mass.

Simbang Gabi Masses here at St. Roberts have been canceled due to Covid restrictions.



First St. Robert's Christmas Tree Lot was a smashing success. It has helped a lot of poor families and the organizers have exceeded their goal. Tip my hat again to Julie Cress, Jill Penna and Michelle Schaukowitch and the many volunteers.

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

LIVESTREAM MASSES

Shelter in His place!

Weekdays at 8:30 AM Livestream
Saturday at 4:30 PM Livestream
Sunday at 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM
Livestream/outdoor



We have created a **Sign-Up for our Christmas Masses** (see below and our parish website: www.saintroberts.org) to give us a better idea on what to expect and to make the necessary adjustments. In the event of an overflow, that is, if we exceed over 100, we will give the option to "attend mass" inside your car in the parking lot using your smart phone, iPad, tablet or computer and during Communion time, our Eucharistic Ministers will go out to give communion. Instructions will be given when you check in.

Saint Robert Catholic School

KINDERGARTEN APPLICATIONS

2021-2022 School Year

Information and applications for Kindergarten are available now at the school office or at www.saintrobert-school.org. Applications will be accepted through January 11th - January 20th. When you drop off your application to the office, we will schedule a time for your child's readiness testing and visit with a prospective kindergarten group for Saturday, January 23 rd , 2021. If you have not had a chance to tour the school, please call the office and we will set up a tour for you. Additionally, if you have any questions, feel free to call the school office at (650) 583-5065.

Applicants must be 5 years of age by September 1, 2020. 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!

Non-Discrimination Policy

Saint Robert Catholic 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. Saint Robert's Catholic 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.

MINISTER SCHEDULE/DEC 19TH & 20TH

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass LIVESTREAM

Presider: Fr. Stewart

Eucharistic Ministers: Rob A., Sophia C.

Lectors: Christina C

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass Outdoors

Presider: Fr. Zamora

Eucharistic Ministers: Karen M, Trish C

Lectors: Sr. Sheral

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass Outdoors

Presider: Fr. Boi

Eucharistic Ministers: Maureen H, Rose B

Lectors: Mario B

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-December 14th

Readings: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17/Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday-December 15th

Readings: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13 Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday, December 16th

Is 45:6b-8m 18,21c-25 Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday-December 17th

Readings: Gn 49:2,18-10 Mt 1:1-17

Friday-December 18th

Readings: Jer 23:5-8 Mt 1:18-25

Saturday-December 19th

Readings: Jgs 13:2-7,24-25a Lk 1:5-25

Sunday-December 20th

Readings: 2 Sm 7:1-15, 8b-12, 14a, 16
Fom 16:25-27 LK 1:26-38