# Saint Robert's Church



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#### 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.

#### 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 EUCHARIST

Vigil Mass 4:30 pm

Sundays: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am and 5:00 pm Holy Days: Please consult weekly bulletin. Weekdays: Masses are on Tuesday and Friday at 6:30 a.m. and Monday-Saturday at 8:30 a.m. Communion Services are held Monday, Wednesday and Thursday at 6:30 a.m. *Our Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring the Eucharist to the sick or homebound. Please contact the Rectory.* 

#### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

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

#### Dear Parishioners:

"May the goodness of the Lord be upon us, And give success to the works of our hands." *Psalm 89:17* 

This weekend is the official start of the academic year. Children and young people across the country from prekindergarten to post graduates are excited and enthusiastic about facing another school year: meeting old friends and making new ones, meeting new teachers, finding new classrooms, adjusting to new class schedules. There is a flurry of excitement, of activity and nervous energy everywhere and each student has high hopes that it will be the best year yet. So we pray the words of the psalmist for them:

Lord, give success to the works of our hands...heads." We offer up our prayers, also for teachers and administrators in schools and colleges across our great nation.

While the youth of our country are busy with new beginnings, nature itself is winding down as the autumn season approaches. Autumn of life has already visited many of our parishioners. As we experienced with heartfelt appreciation the tremendous work done by (and still being done by) so many of our senior parishioners at the 50th Jubilee in June. Thank you and may God reward you for what you did to make St. Robert's a great parish and community.

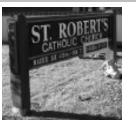
If you know of any parishioner, neighbor or relative who is homebound, please, let us know, so that we may take the Eucharist to them in their homes or nursing homes.

"May the goodness of the Lord be upon you" As you prepare for 2008-2009. God bless you and Happy Labor Day.

Sigter Patricia

# THE WEEK AHEAD

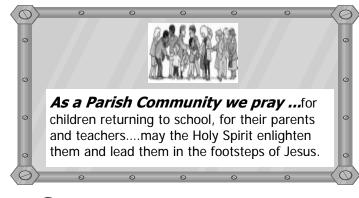
Monday-September 1st						
	<i>'</i> '	Communion Service				
Mass Intention	8:30	Andy Bernier †				
(Parish	(Parish Office Closed Today					
in obser	vance of	f Labor Day)				
Tuesda	iy-Septe	<u>mber 2nd</u>				
Mass Intention	6:30	Margaret Shypertt †				
	8:30	Kathleen Sullivan †				
Back to School Break. 9am Hall						
Legion of Mary	6:30p					
<u>Wednesday-September 3rd</u>						
	6:30	Communion Service				
Mass Intention	8:30	James Taffee †				
Grief Support Cmt	9am	Mary's Chapel				
SR Band	6pm	Hall				
9:30am Mass Choir	7pm	Church				
<u>Thursday-September 4th</u>						
	6:30					
Mass Intention	8:30	••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••				
Fest Booth Chair Mtg 7pm Hall						
Friday		<u>mber 5th</u>				
Mass Intention		William Dill †				
	8:30	Aljeandro Gomez †				
<u>Saturday-September 6th</u>						
Mass Intention	8:30	Mr. & Mrs. Thomas				
		Beirne †				
Mass Intention	4:30	Walter Giusti †				
Eucharistic Adoratio		Church				
AA meeting	10am	Mahoney Room				
Grief Consolation	Зрт	Convent Chapel				
<u>Sunday-September 7th</u>						
Mass Intention	7:30	James J. Murphy †				
	9:30	People of St. Robert's				
	11:30 Enm					
Confirmation Yr 2	5pm <b>2nm</b>	Mrs. McCormick † <i>Church</i>				
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Parish office will be closed Monday, September 1st In observance of Labor Day.

# WEEKDAY MASS CHANGES BEGINNING THIS WEEK ON SEPTEMBER 2ND

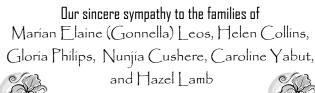
Daily Mass at 8:30 am Monday through Saturday. Additional Mass at 6:30 am on Monday, Tuesday and Friday. Communion Service on Wednesday and Thursday at 6:30 am.





#### WE CONGRATULATE THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Savannah Raquel Young Alyssa Gabrielle Aguilar Presley Rae Rohatch Juliana Hokulani Leya Canaya Mackenzie Khleo Books



who died recently



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 parish prayers please call the Rectory at 589-2800.



This week we pray for

María Lourdes Rígor

# **RCIA BEGINS IN SEPTEMBER**

I would like to extend an invitation to our adult parishioners who have not yet received all their sacraments to join our RCIA program. If you or someone you know desires to join the Catholic Church, or receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion or Confirmation, please contact me. We will begin our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes in September and hope to celebrate the Sacraments at the Easter vigil next April.

It's also a good time to meet with anyone who wishes to receive the Sacrament of Marriage next year. We need a minimum of six months preparation time for Marriage. If you were married in a civil ceremony and would like to have your marriage blessed, the six month preparation time also applies. We are here to help if we can.

#### Deacon Rusty Duffey

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** Saturday, September 6th

On the First Saturday of each month, we celebrate Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, following the 8:30 a.m. Mass and continuing until Benediction at 10 a.m. Blessed Father Damien, the Apostle of Lepers, has said: "Were it not for the constant presence of our Divine Master in our humble chapel, I would not have found it possible to persevere in sharing the lot of the lepers in Molokai...The Eucharist is the bread that gives strength...It is at once the most eloquent proof of His love and the most powerful means of fostering His love in us. He gives Himself every day so that our hearts as burning coals may set afire the hearts of the faithful." Spending time with Jesus in adoration enabled Blessed Damien to give his life for God's people suffering from leprosy. Jesus, in His Blessed Eucharist, will give us renewed vigor to do His will.

#### WEDNESDAY EVENING SCRIPTURE STUDY-

will resume on September 17th at 7:30 p.m. in the Convent Chapel. All are welcome!!!

# STEWARDSHIP

July 1st to August 24th (goal)	80,400.00
July 1st to August 24th (actual)	80,476.89
7/1/08-6/30/09 Weekly Goal	10,050.00
Collection (actual 8/24)	9,401.21

Thank you for your generous donation of \$3,561.47 to Mary Mother of God Mission Society .

Mrs. Vicky Trevillyan, national coordinator for the Mary Mother of God Mission Society, spoke at all the masses last weekend. She spoke of their work in Eastern Russia. If you did not hear her presentation or if you would like to donate or receive additional information, their website is:

www.vladmission.org. Thank you for your generosity.

**ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL** As of 8/25/08 328 Families have pledged \$78,555.10. Our goal this year is \$95,100.00 Thank you for your generous donation.

#### **Sign up for E-Contributions**

Go to www.saintroberts.org and click on the e-contributions button.

There is no cost to you for this service.

# MINISTER SCHEDULE/Sep 6 & 7

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

#### Presider: Msgr. Dreier Eucharistic Ministers: R. Hanley (C),

M. Elmore, J. Quinn, D. Hageman, M. Murphy, J. Scannell, J.Waldvogel, B. Moniz, A. Ciraulo **Lectors:** P. Scannell and J. Cronin **Altar Servers:** M. Lara and A. Mullady

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

#### Presider: Fr. O'Dell

Eucharistic Ministers: A. Buelow (C), M. Nunnery, J. Jackson, F. Reyes. T. Montross Lectors: P. Lustic and J. Moresco Altar Servers: E. Johnson & M. Kelly

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

#### Presider: Fr. Schaukowitch Eucharistic Ministers: A. Romine (C), R. Valdez, J. Valdez, M.A. Saisi, M. Blumenthal, L. Rodriguez, L. Canaya, M. Quilici, M. Bologna Lectors: T. Tullius and J. Marty Altar Servers A. Ayllon, J. Wilson and K. Thompson Children's Liturgy: Terry and Danny & Sandy

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

#### Presider: Fr. O'Dell

Eucharistic Ministers: C. Pacas (C), B. Pacas, V. Valle, G. May, A. Maron, B. Chester, J. Abellana, C. Morgan, J. Yee, M. Giusti Lectors: M. Cadiz and C. Pisani Altar Servers: E. Estelita and M. Estelita

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

Presider: Fr. Ring/Deacon Duffey Eucharistic Ministers: V. Hawkins (C), G. Lynch, J. Huddleston, D. Ferris, T. Thompson, M. Aberouette, M. Huntington, R. Atkinson Lector: J. Bartolotti Altar Servers: E. Wright and T. Lopez

#### WEEKLY READINGS

# Living the Liturgy

# The Challenge of Our Faith

The readings this weekend are pointed: it will not be easy to do what God asks of us. Poor Jeremiah has the awful and awesome task of confronting the leaders and the people with their unjust treatment of the poor. But God's word becomes "like a fire burning in my heart" and he must speak out. Paul's letter urges us to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice and reminds us "not to conform ourselves to this age, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind." And then Jesus says the words we know by heart, that we must deny ourselves, "take up [our] cross and follow me." What a tall order!

If our being Catholic and trying to live the gospel doesn't make us seem at least a bit different from our co-workers and neighbors, something may be lacking. We absorb our society's consumerism with every breath we take and can so easily be seduced into thinking that things will bring us happiness. Instead of offering our bodies as a living sacrifice, we can spend too many hours and way too much money on making ourselves attractive instead of taking reasonable care of our health and exercising. Externals seem so important that we can find ourselves judging by appearances instead of by someone's character and ideals. And in terms of the cross, which one is mine to carry? The diminishment of the aging process? My own illness or a family member's? The threat of downsizing at work? Major emotional or financial problems? The challenge of a special needs child? Whatever my cross may be, let us lean on this community for support and on Jesus' promise that he will be with us.

Peace, S. Sheral

# **The Global Food Crisis**

This Tuesday at 7:30 pm, Pax Christi is sponsoring a talk by Dr. Raj Patel on the Global Food Crisis at St. Catherine's Parish in Burlingame. "With estimates of the world's hungry topping one billion in the wake of the current crisis, climate change making harvest more erratic and a limited amount of arable land on which to farm, the future of food seems bleak. But it doesn't have to be." Dr. Patel has worked at the World Bank, World Trade Organization and the United Nations and has his PhD in Development Sociology from Cornell University. I'm going and would be glad to give a ride to anyone interested. Please give me a call at the parish.

S. Sheral

#### AIDS LUNCH-September 10th-We are



scheduled for the 2nd Wednesday of each month. If you can prepare a favorite cookie,

snack or lunch item for 10 to 12 people, please drop it off at the Children's Chapel, in the back of Church, by 9 a.m. on **September 10th.** Please pack the items in a non-returnable container. Frozen items *are ok!* 

#### **Our Bishops on Faithful Citizenship**

On Tuesday, September 9, we'll begin again with discussion of "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship," the bishops' document to guide us as we approach the elections. You can download the document at <u>www.usccb.org</u> by clicking on the "Faithful Citizenship" icon. We meet in Mary's Chapel from 9:15 am until 10:30 am. If you cannot commit to coming every week, you are most welcome to come when you can. After we've discussed this document sufficiently, we'll decide as a group what topic we'd like to talk about next. If you have questions, please call the rectory at 589-2800 or e-mail me at <u>srsheral@saintroberts.org</u>. Thank you.

## Consolation Ministy NEXT WEEKEND-

Saint Robert's Grief Support Group will hold their next meeting on **September 6th** in the Convent Chapel from 3p.m. to 4:15 p.m. (before the 4:30 p.m. Mass). Anyone who is suffering from the loss, whether (recent or not so recent ) of a loved one—spouse, sibling, child, parent, friend or relative is invited to come and pray, share, comfort and be comforted. You are invited to bring a companion for support and strength. God Bless you in your sorrow.



### Wine & Cheese Booth Donations Next Weekend!!

The Festival Committee will be collecting bottles of Wine and Spirits to be used at the Wine and Cheese Booth and Booth "21" at this year's festival. Please bring your donations prior to all Masses **NEXT WEEKEND** September 6th & 7th or the following weekend of the September 13th & 14th. Thanks for your support.

#### BBQ & Food Booths

Barbeque and Food Booths are in need of your help. Several people are needed to work in these two very popular booths and everyone from the parish is welcome to help. Most shifts are for 2 hours, but you can work for as many hours as you would like and on all 3 days if you wish.

If you would like to work in either of these booths or can help in any way, please contact Louise and Ray Downs or Raquel and Jeff Downs at www.noniepapadowns@aol.com or call them at (650) 588-1927 as soon as possible.



# 2008 Centerplate Schedule

Day	Date	Opponent	Leave SR	Game Time
Sunday	Sept 7 <sup>th</sup>	49ers vs Arizona	7:00 a.m.	1:15 p.m.
Tuesday	Sept 9 <sup>th</sup>	Arizona	3:00 p.m.	7:15 p.m.
Wed	Sept 10 <sup>th</sup>	Arizona	8:45 a.m.	12:45 p.m.
Friday	Sept 26 <sup>th</sup>	Dodgers	3:00 p.m.	7:15 p.m.
Saturday	Sept 27 <sup>th</sup>	Dodgers	2:00 p.m.	6:05 p.m.
Sunday	October 5 <sup>th</sup>	49ers vs Patriots	8:00 a.m.	1:15 p.m.
Sunday	October 12	<sup>th</sup> 49ers vs Eagles	8:00 a.m.	1:15 p.m.
Sunday	October 26	<sup>th</sup> 49ers vs Seattle	8:00 a.m.	1:15 p.m.
Sunday	November 2	16 <sup>th</sup> 49ers vs Rams	s 8:00 a.m.	1:05 p.m.
Sunday	December 7	7 <sup>th</sup> 49ers vs Jets	8:00 a.m.	1:05 p.m.
Sunday	December 2	28 <sup>th</sup> 49ers vs Redsk	kins 8:00 a.m.	1:15 p.m.

Dress Code: Full length Black Slacks (no jeans, capris, spandex), white shirt with collar, closed toe shoes (black or white).

Name:	Home Phone:		
Cell Phone:	Email:		

Sign up on-line at <u>www.saintroberts.org</u>. Click on the Centerplate button

As of August 18th we have received \$29,719.89 This amount includes commission and tips. *Thanks* to the many people who have volunteered.