# 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 (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 PENANCE**

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

Schedules for Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors & Altar Servers are also available on the web at www.saintroberts.org.

Dear Friends:

For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them. EPH 2:10



It has always been interesting to me when the readings tie in so directly to every day life. In our Confirmation classes, as we teach our candidates about the Gifts of the Spirit -- Can you name all seven?—we remind them that the gifts are not visible. These gifts are the GRACE from God needed for each of us to continue our journey of faith. These gifts help to strengthen us for the challenges in our lives ahead, and when they get put to use through our WORKS others can come to know Christ in the FRUITS of the Spirit including love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

How often during Lent have we taken the time to decide if our works are done so that others notice or if they are done to please God alone? A simple kindness shown to a neighbor for no other reason than to share God's love can be very powerful, especially if it goes unnoticed. I believe today's readings are challenging each of us to look within ourselves and determine how we can do simple things with great love to help others to know Jesus this week. Ben asks his class each week, "What did you do this week that was Jesus like?" Maybe each of us could try this week to answer that question for ourselves and more importantly challenge ourselves to not seek recognition for the good we do.

Let's hold on to the Gospel today:

"For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him."

God Bless each of you – Joanne Bartolotti

## THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday-March 23rd

Mass Intention 6:30 Donald K. Murray †

8:30 Ann Werner †

Passion Play Reh 7pm Church

Grownup's Steering

Committee Mtg 7:15pm Mahoney Room

Tuesday-March 24th

Mass Intention 6:30 Carla Cukar †

8:30 Martha Costa †

Religious Ed/Gr1-5 3:30pm Church & Hall Rel. Ed/Jr. High 6pm Church & Hall Legion of Mary 6:30pm Library

Wednesday-March 25th

6:30 Communion Service

Mass Intention 8:30 Cliff Gerst, Jr. †

Grownup's Soup Sup 3:30pm Hall

Choir Practice 7pm Church

Scripture Study 7:30pm Convent Chapel

Thursday-March 26th

6:30 Communion Service
Mass Intention 8:30 John McIntyre †

Children's Choir 3pm Church

Kid Stock/Jr. High 6pm Hall
RCIA 7pm Church
Athletic Board Mtg 7pm Mahoney Room

<u>Friday-March 27th</u>

Mass Intention 6:30 Gong Mah †

8:30 Mary Ann Browne

Stations of the Cross 6pm Church Lenten Soup Supper 6:30pm Hall Passion Play Reh 7pm Church

Saturday-March 28th

Mass Intention 8:30 Stan Plante †

4:30 People of St. Robert's

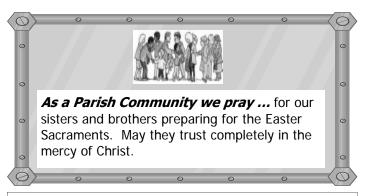
AA Meeting 10am Mahoney Room Grief Consolation 3pm Convent Chapel InBetweener's 6pm Hall

Sunday-March 29th

Mass Intention 7:30 Elsa Rolfes †

9:30 James Halpin † 11:30 Stan Plante † 5pm Nick Papapietro †

Passion Play Reh 7pm Church



Our sincere sympathy to the families of Earl Kala, Patricia Pierce, Jerry King, Manuela Debono & Sr. Margarite Apostolo, SHF who died recently.

# GROWNUP'S ANNUAL SOUP SUPPER March 25th, at 6 pm

The St. Robert's Grownup's Annual Soup Supper and general meeting will be held in Hennessy Hall on Wednesday, March 25th, at 6 pm. The meeting will follow the supper.

The guest speakers are Mark Sullivan, City of San Bruno Housing and Redevelopment Manager, and Aaron Aknin, Community Development Director. They will discuss some of the changes to the downtown and surrounding areas.

Last day for ticket purchase is Monday, March 23rd. Guests are welcome. We look forward to seeing you at this event.

## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS



Salvador & Carmelita Callejo
Kevin McNulty
Zenon & Aurora Correa & Family
David Soto
Nick & Kelly Burton & Family
IF YOU ARE NEW TO ST. ROBERT'S,

we ask that you complete a registration form found in the vestibule of the church. Drop it either in the collection basket, the mail, or at the parish office. We will send you a New Parishioner Packet with information about the parish, its organizations and groups. If you chose, you can register online at: www.saintroberts.org.



#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND SOUP SUPPERS

All are invited to our Church for Stations at 6 pm each Friday during Lent. After this time of reflection and prayer, we will go to Hennessy Hall to share a sacrificial meal of soup, salad, bread and fruit. We ask that you give what you would have spent on your Friday dinner to our St. Vincent de Paul Society, who will use it to provide food for our sisters and brothers in need. There will be a basket for your donation on the serving table. This is an opportunity for us to pray together and to get to know one another.



#### On Friday, March 27th,

Our RCIA Group will lead the Stations.
Our St. Vincent de Paul Society and RCIA
will host the supper.

# **STEWARDSHIP**

July 1st to March 15th (goal) July 1st to March 15th (actual)	371,850.00 378,995.99	
7/1/08-6/30/09 Weekly Goal	10,050.00	
Collection (actual 3/15)	9,187.67	

# 2009 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL As of 3/10/09 177 families have pledged

As of 3/10/09 **177 families** have pledged **\$47,095.00.** 

Our goal this year is \$98,400 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/March 28 & 29

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

Presider: Fr. Schaukowitch

**Eucharistic Ministers: NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME** 

Lectors: J. Cronin and C. Clarke

Altar Servers: D. McElroy and K. Ravelo

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

Presider: Fr. Ring

**Eucharistic Ministers:** NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME

Lectors: T. Clifford and A. Clifford

Altar Servers: P. Murray and N. Nussbaum

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

Presider: Msgr. Dreier

**Eucharistic Ministers: NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME** 

**Lectors:** G. Giuseponi and A. Cotroneo

Altar Servers: G. Tocchini, M. Godrey and J. Nazzal

Children's Liturgy: Family Mass

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

Presider: Fr. O'Dell

**Eucharistic Ministers: NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME** 

**Lectors:** C. Maron and D. Maron

Altar Servers: B. Alvergue and A. Dharmadi

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

Presider: Fr. Ring

**Eucharistic Ministers: NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME** 

**Lectors:** C. Galletta and N. Buencamino **Altar Servers:** D. Marty and J. Marty

#### **WEEKLY READINGS**

Monday-March 23rd

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

<u>Wednesday-March 25th</u>

Readings: Is 7:10-14; 8-10 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38

Thursday-March 26th

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

Friday-March 27th

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

Saturday-March 28th

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

Sunday-March 29th

Readings: Jer 31:31-34 Heb 5:7-9 Jn 12:20-33

# 2009 Centerplate Baseball Schedule



Wednesday Friday Saturday Wednesday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Wednesday Friday Saturday	April 17 April 18 April 22 April 27 April 28 April 29 May 13 May 15	Milwaukee Milwaukee Arizona Arizona San Diego Dodgers Dodgers Dodgers Washington	1:05 p.m. 7:15 p.m. 7:15 p.m. 1:05 p.m. 12:45 p.m. 7:15 p.m. 7:15 p.m.	7:45 a.m. 2:45 p.m. 2:45 p.m. 8:45 a.m. 8:45 a.m. 2:45 p.m. 2:45 p.m.
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Saturday	•	NY Mets	7:15 p.m.	2:45 p.m.
•	May 16	NY Mets	1:05 p.m.	8:45 p.m.
Friday	May 29	St Louis	7:15 p.m.	2:45 p.m.
Saturday	May 30	St Louis	6:05 p.m.	1:45 p.m.
Friday	June 12	Oakland	7:15 p.m.	2:45 p.m.
•	June 13	Oakland	7:05 p.m.	2:45 p.m.
Sunday	June 14	Oakland	1:05 p.m.	8:45 a.m.
•	June 17	Angels	12:45 p.m.	8:45 a.m.
Friday	June 19	Texas	7:15 p.m.	2:45 p.m.
Saturday	June 20	Texas	6:05 p.m.	1:45 p.m.
	July 3	Houston	7:15 p.m.	2:45 p.m.
•	July 8	Florida	12:45 p.m.	8:45 a.m.
Friday	July 10	San Diego	7:15 p.m.	2:45 p.m.
Saturday	July 11	San Diego	6:05 p.m.	1:45 p.m.
•	July 29	Pittsburgh	12:45 p.m.	8:45 p.m.
•	August 10	Dodgers	7:15 p.m.	2:45 p.m.
Tuesday	August 11	Dodgers	7:15 p.m.	2:45 p.m.
Wednesday	August 12	Dodgers	12:45 p.m.	8:45 a.m.
-	-	San Diego	12:45 p.m.	8:45 p.m.
Friday	Sept. 11	Dodgers	7:15 p.m.	2:45 p.m.
Saturday		Cubs	6:05 p.m.	1:45 p.m.
Wednesday	•	Arizona	12:45 p.m.	8:45 a.m.
		Phone Number		

**Centerplate Uniform:** Full length black pants (no jeans or spandex etc), white shirt with collar, comfortable closed toe and heel shoes.

Sign up on-line at saintroberts.org and click on the Centerplate button

# Living the Liturgy

#### **Our Unexpected God**

The first reading relates the infidelity of the Hebrew people which we may recall from our bible history classes as children. But the amazing aspect of this reading is that Cyrus, a pagan Persian ruler, is God's instrument in bringing the people back from their exile and having them rebuild the temple in Jerusalem. Who else might our surprising God be using to bring us back to a fuller practice of our faith?

The second reading from Ephesians repeats a most important phrase: "by grace you have been saved." An invitation to humility, no doubt, for those of us who are "cradle Catholics" and cause for rejoicing for those soon to be initiated at the Easter Vigil! It wasn't anything we did, not a reward for good behavior, that we have the privilege and the joy of knowing God as our Father, Jesus as our brother and savior, and the Spirit as our lifelong guide. This indwelling of the Trinity is a free gift, no strings attached, except that we can imagine our God hoping that we will respond to such love with our own faithful love in return. Like the parent who loves a child, God will continue to love us, no matter what.

This Lenten season is an invitation to reflect on our own love for God and God's friends, our neighbors. The Sacrament of Reconciliation invites us to acknowledge the times we've "blown it," confess our sins to the priest and begin again to follow Christ. Actually, if we're feeling guilty about something we've done (or not done) or a pull towards going to confession, it's a great sign that the Spirit is working in our hearts and nudging us to celebrate that action in Reconciliation. So, why not come to the deanery-wide Reconciliation Service at 7:30 pm on Thursday, April 2 at Mater Dolorosa Church, South San Francisco. Priests from the eight parishes in our area of the archdiocese will be present to celebrate the sacrament with us.

#### **Our Country, Malawi**

Our contribution to the PlayPump system will go to Malawi, a country on the East coast of Africa. 90% of its people are involved in subsistence farming with 65% living below the poverty line. It has one of the gravest food challenges in the world; the infant mortality rate is 70 deaths per 1,000 live births. The HIV/AIDS pandemic has hit 14% of the adult population, leaving 500,000 children without one or both parents. 33% of the population has no access to safe water and the life expectancy is 45 years. The Play Pumps organization hopes to install 100 pumps in Malawi's schools and villages. Especially during these difficult times, we thank you for your donation this past weekend of \$568, bringing our total to \$5875.

Peace, Sr. Sheral

Consolation Ministry - Saint Robert's Grief Support Group will hold their next meeting on March 28th in the Convent Chapel from 3 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.

Sister Patricia 589-0104.



**The Children's Liturgy team** will again be performing the Passion Play with the children of the parish on Palm Sunday, April 5th. Signups for those interested will be after 9:30 a.m. Mass today and next Sunday, March 29th. Practices will be held on March 30th, April 1st and April 3rd from 4 to 5 p.m. Anyone interested should see MaryAnn after 9:30 a.m. Mass today and next weekend, in the Little Church area or call her at 589-2000.

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**The Children's Liturgy** team will once again be offering its Good Friday program for the children of the parish. Doors open at 1:15 p.m. and the program ends immediately after church services have concluded. You are kindly asked to pre-register your child. All children ages 4 and older are welcome. Those under 4 years of age will need a responsible companion to accompany them throughout the afternoon's activities. Please call Esperanza at (650) 270-9827 to pre-register.

