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 Parishioners,

It is a cold, gray January morning as I sit here in Gene's chair thinking about today's readings. My cup of Mango tea fills me with warmth as do the beautiful memories I have of the past 37 years with Gene here beside me.

In the first reading of Isaiah, God's words speak tenderly to my heart:

Comfort, give comfort to my people, says your God." and "Like a shepherd the feeds this flock; in this arms the gathers the lambs caring them in this bosom, and leading the ewes with care."

I firmly believe that my God is a God who compassionately sees what is in my heart. Knowing that He wants to comfort me and gather me into His arms fills me with joy that I thought I would never again experience. Jesus is carrying me in His bosom and leading me with care throughout each and everyday and night.

Today I thank my Mom and Dad for carrying the infant me to St. Monica's Church, over 77 years ago to be baptized with the Holy Spirit and fire. They were my first example of what it is to truly be a follower of Christ. I thank Gene for showing me how to live and how to die with the strength and courage that comes only from loving and serving our God. Once again, I thank God for Gene May!

May this new year, draw each of us ever closer to the source of our hope and joy—- - God, our loving Father, and Jesus His Beloved Son.

Síncerely, Anna May



Job opening at the Rectory in the evening from 4:15 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday Must be 18 to apply.

Great job for a college student!!!

Call the rectory at 589-2800 for more details.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday-January 11th

Mass Intention 6:30 Giovanni Cotroneo † 8:30 Bill & Nancy Curtis †

Men's Club 6:30pm Hall

St. Vincent de Paul 7:00pm Mahoney Room

Tuesday-January 12th

Mass Intention 6:30 Charles & Rita Agius †

8:30 Giarth Klingensmith †

Adult Rel Ed 9:15am Mary's Chapel Religious Education 3:30pm Church & Hall Legion of Mary 6:30pm Library Rel Ed/Jr. High 7:00pm Hall

Wednesday-January 13th

6:30 Communion Service
Mass Intention 8:30 Tash McMahon †

Thursday-January 14th

6:30 Communion Service

Mass Intention 8:30 Mary Gregov †

Women's Guild Mtg 6:30pm Hall

RCIA 7:00pm Convent Chapel

Friday-January 15th

Mass Intention 6:30 Michael Kyne † 8:30 Robert Flood †

8:30 Robert F Friends Helping

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6:30pm Hall

Saturday-January 16th

Mass Intention 8:30 Caridad Ricardo †

4:30 Quinn Henry Rosenberg †

AA 10:00am Mahoney Room

Sunday-January 17th

Mass Intention 7:30 Bernardo Mocelin †

9:30 Mary Isonio †

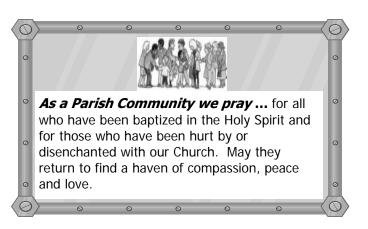
11:30 People of St. Robert's

5:00 Mae Morris †

Thank you to all the people who helped make the Simbang Gabi a great success!!!

Thank you very much to all who attended the 9 nights of the Simbang Gabi, to all families who prepared the food every night, to all the donors, to all invited Presiders, to our Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers, the volunteer choirs, accompanist, guitarist, cantor and the those who helped with the music.

May you all continue to support the Fil-Am group. Wishing you all a very prosperous New Year!!! **Dada Gallagher**





Our sincere sympathy to the families of
Robert Bodeman,
Steven Gary Fenech,
George Freese,
Andrea E. Hernandez,
Claire Tallon-Levy
Richard Paul Martinez,
and
Anthony Torres
who died recently.

SCHOOL NEWS

KINDERGARTEN APPLICATION

Applications for Kindergarten for the 2010-2011 school year will take place in the school office January 25th through January 29th from 8:30-2 p.m. Your child must be 5 years of age by September 1, 2010. You will need a copy of your child's birth and baptismal certificates, social security card, and a family picture.

OPEN HOUSE

St. Robert School will hold its annual Open House on Thursday evening, January 28h, from 7-8 p.m.

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.

MEN'S CLUB-MEETING TOMORROW January 11th

Doors open at 6p.m.-\$20 a person Price includes dinner, drinks and raffle For more information contact Tim Fuller at tim.fuller@rgcreations.come (650) 280-9800.

AIDS LUNCH -January 13th

The second Wednesday of the month, is our donation day. If you can help by providing your favorite dish for up to 12 people that would be great. Please put in a non-returnable container and leave in the little church room in the vestibule of the Church by 9:30 am. Frozen items are acceptable.

Thank you for your continued assistance.

STEWARDSHIP

Second Collection For Annual Appeal This Weekend

This second collection is to assist the parish in covering our assessment to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal for our 2009 assessment We are still over \$10,000 short for last year. Please help us to make our assessment from last year. If we do not make it we will be forced to withdraw the funds from our Church's operating funds at the end of February 2010. If you are able to contribute it would be greatly appreciated.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

261,300.00
271,350.00
244,596.16
259,347.99
10,050.00
7,576.33
13,825.83

Christmas Collection \$37,205.37

MINISTER SCHEDULE/Jan 16 & 17

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul

Eucharistic Ministers: J. Scannell (C)
J. Beltrano, D. Bisagno, A. Ciraulo, L. Flodr
Lectors: B. Rudometkin and P. Scannell
Altar Servers: D. Rodriguez and N. Barbieri

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Nunnery (C) J. Aldinger, J. Jackson, A. Buelow, R. Lahoz

Lectors: S. Heaney and P. Lustic

Altar Servers: A. Kucsak and L. O'Reilly

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Ring

Eucharistic Ministers: L. Canaya (C) T. Casey, T. Jones, J. Kelly, M. Lopez **Lectors:** T. Tullius and J. Valdez

Altar Servers: E. Steenvoorde, A. Tapia and A. Davis **Children's Liturgy:** Terry and Danny & Sandy

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet

Eucharistic Ministers: B. Chester (C) L. Sing, N. Bamba, F. Firpo, C. Forsell Lectors: C. Pisani and G. Khoury Altar Servers: F. Nuti and C. Ward

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet

Eucharistic Ministers: G. Huddleston (C) T. Estelita, M. Aberouette, M. Elmore, D. Ferris

Lector: M. Estelita and G. Jurkowich **Altar Servers:** E. Estelita and N. Estelita

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-January 11th

Readings: 1 Sm 1:1-8 Mk 1:14-20 Tuesday-January 12th

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

<u>Wednesday-January 13th</u> Readings: 1 Sm 3:1-10,19-20 Mk 1:29-39

Thursdav-January 14th

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

Friday-January 15th

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

Saturday-January 16th

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

Sunday-January 17th

Readings: Is 62:1-5 1 Cor 12:4-11 Jn 2:1-11

Living the Liturgy

Christmas Continues

Isaiah's words are echoed in Handel's magnificent Hallelujah Chorus: "Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill shall be made low." This is the closing of the Christmas season, not the Epiphany as I mistakenly indicated last week. We can imagine John the Baptist's booming voice repeating Isaiah's words of wondrous happenings when the Messiah comes. The reading from Titus proclaims our being saved "through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit." We have experienced this pure gift of God in our baptism, so easily taken for granted. Just as Jesus was called "my beloved Son" by the "voice from heaven," in today's gospel, so is each of us called a beloved son or daughter by our loving Father. What kind of person am I invited to be by such a gracious Creator?

Instead of going to Mississippi to help with Hurricane Katrina rebuilding, three friends and I decided to volunteer locally. On Dec. 26 we peeled 50 pounds of carrots for the dinner being cooked by the Samaritan House chef and distributed donated vegetables. Dec. 29, we sorted and bagged toys left over from the Christmas give-away at another site. And Dec. 31, we served at St. Anthony's Dining Room with seven other parishioners. My favorite moment was when one of the regular diners at St. Anthony's asked one of the regular line staff for his steak medium rare. She responded without missing a beat, "Of course!" as she served him the Shepherd's Pie entrée of the day. We were all amazed at the number of folks who thanked us profusely and wished us "Happy New Year!" If I'd spent the night in a shelter or on the street. I doubt that my mood would have been half as pleasant.

Fresh from these experiences, I invite all of us to keep the Christmas spirit going. Here are some possibilities, besides those within your own family or neighborhood. Peter Stiehler at San Bruno Catholic Worker can always use toilet paper, napkins and razors. He'd also be happy for up to 3 people some evenings from 5 to 7 pm to help prepare and serve the meal. Please call him the day before at 291-2400. Samaritan House often needs help with meal preparation on Saturday mornings from 9 to 11 or 12; their kitchen is on Pacific Blvd. in San Mateo. You could contact Michele Canning at michele@samaritanhouse.com or at 341-4081, x 33. St. Anthony's Dining Room has many programs in which you can be involved; just go to their website www.stanthonysf.org. One of their wonderful ministries is providing layettes and children's clothing, quilts and afghans which have lovingly been made by the St. Anthony Stitchers. Some of our parishioners are part of this group. If you'd like to sew, knit or crochet items, please call Norma Galvin at 583-9790. If you have material, yarn or notions to donate, please give them to me any Sunday after Mass or bring them to the rectory during the week.

Peace, S. Sheral



ST. ROBERT'S RESPECT LIFE GROUP Meeting Tuesday, January 26th Mary's Chapel from 7pm to 8pm

This meeting will discuss the "Spiritual Adoption Project" that invites parishioners to spiritually adopt a baby in danger of abortion. Your attendance will determine the success of this proposed project. If you have any questions, please call Mary Nunnery at 588-6349.

Blood Drive Super Bowl Sunday, February 7th 8:30am to 1:30pm In the Parish Hall



Blood Centers of The Pacific will have a blood drive here on Super Bowl Sunday. Please mark your calendar for February 7th and invite your family and friends to join us. As always your help and continued support is greatly appreciated.



Mary Ann Saisi and The Childrens' Liturgy Team

would like to warmly thank those parishioners who so generously donated to the Giving Tree during this

Christmas season. Over 500 gifts were received, and in conjunction with Chief Phil White and the South San Francisco Fire Dept., those gifts of toys, underwear, socks and gift cards were distributed to the North Peninsula Neighborhood Service Center to be used for needy children and their families. San Bruno Catholic Worker House, Half Moon Bay Catholic Worker House and the local Shelter Network also received gifts as a result of your generosity. Your true spirit of Christmas giving helped many, including some of St. Robert's own families, and we are most grateful for this tremendous outpouring of kindness.

Have a blessed New Year.

REMEMBERING THEM WITH FLOWERS

The following loved ones were remembered at Christmas with a donation to purchase flowers, garland and trees to beautify the church:



In memory of Joseph Abela, John, Mary & Vincent Camilleri from Anne Abela; In memory of Minnie Bertolini from Herman Bertolini; In memory of Donna Glass from Julio & Josie Borruso;

In memory of Carletta & Goyo Cardona and Jesus & Froylan Martinez from Bravo Family;

Donation from D.M. Burke; In memory of Phil Calhoun from Evelyn Calhoun; In memory of Sal Canjura, Jr. from Maria Canjura & Family;

In memory of Sam & Nancy Ciraulo and Ernest & Grace Morasci from Mr. & Mrs. Albert Ciraulo; In memory of Feruccio & Helen Tonegato and Ralphael & Marie DeMartini from the DeMartini Family;

In memory of Dora Morris from Maryanne & Dave Dornlas; In memory of Manuel Falzon from Mary Falzon;

In memory of Robert Flood from Jennie Flood; In memory of John & Rosamond Cleese from Christine Forsell;

In memory of Mary Jane Gloistein from Walter Gloistein; In memory of Peter Guerrero from Filomena Guerrero;

In memory of Steven Hart, Burton Hart, Lily McEneaney, & Angel McEneaney from Greg & Peggy Hart;

In memory of Timothy P. Leahy from Betty Leahy & Family; In memory of Diana Martinez from Florence Martinez;

In memory of Frank & Catherine Marty from Laverne & Robert Gray; In memory of Edward Hart & Celia Gallozzo from Evelyn Hart; In memory of Jardin - Marasigan Family from Rose M. Jardin; In memory of Keersten Juarez from Ray & JoAnn Jaurez;

In memory of Alice Perry from Tim, Joan, Matt & Johanna King; In memory of Timothy P. Leahy from Betty Leahy & Family;

In memory of Noelle Lille and Patrice van Velthuysen from Al & Rita Lille;

In memory of Marsilia Santarelli and in honor of St. Anthony from Pina Malatesta;

In memory of Valentino Elena, Otello, Angelo & Dina from Antonio & Doretta Martinucci;

In memory of A. Carl & Leola Marty and in honor of David C. Marty from Teena Marty;

In memory of Jeaness McKenna & Edward Mantler from Helen Mantler;

In memory of Faustina Badiable and Louis & Bernice Maron from David & Aida Maron;

In memory of Katie, Joe, Minn & Fred from Jerry & Kathy Moller; In memory of Alexander Moniz from Bunny Moniz;

In honor of Cecile Erickson from Mary Helen Monroe;

In memory of Parents Earl Kalal and Bill & Maude Morgan from Cynthia & Dave Morgan; In memory of Phil Murphy from Diane Murphy; In honor of Barbara Giordano from Mary Nunnery;

In memory of Bill & Nancy Curtis from the Olson Family;

In memory of Morella & Lloyd Pringle, Stanley Freidt and in honor of Clementine Freidt from Alan & Marilyn Pringle;

In memory of Paring Santiago, Luciano Maggay, Richard DeSoto & Aida Felipe from Jim & Sasa Puchbauer;

In memory of Elsa Rolfes & Karin Williams from the Rolfes Family; In memory of Agnes Dempsey from Alfred and Josephine Romine;

In memory of Ronzani & Cesari Families from Elvira Ronzani; In memory of Elio Sarti from Carolina Sarti & Family;

In memory of Marie & David Dunn, Eileen & Timothy Scannell & Joanne Dunn Labbe from Paul & Judy Scannell;

In memory of Rosina & Ben Young and Pat & Vic Schaukowitch from the Joe Schaukowitch Family;

In memory of Mauro Sciacqua from Loretta Sciacqua & Family;

In memory of Mario & Therese Spinetti and Frances Friedman from Marie Spinetti; In memory of Bill Wilson from Sharon Wilson; and in memory of Adolph & Rita Fambrini from Bob & Jean Waldvogel;

FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS January 15th

Friends helping Friends is a fundraiser from St. Robert's Parish that goes to help people in the community, not just parishioners with financial or medical problems. On January 15th, we will have a fundraiser which will include dinner that you can either eat there or take out, a raffle (if you can donate anything for the raffle that would appreciated), and Bingo. Please mark your calendar, or if you can't make it and would like to just send a donation, you can make your check payable to:

St Robert's Church and mail to or drop off at: 1380 Crystal Springs Road, San Bruno, Ca 94066 Just be sure to note on your check Friends helping Friends.



SATURDAY, JANUARY 30TH

All are welcome. \$45 per person for dinner or \$60 for the dinner special that includes 20 raffle tickets and 5 drink tickets (a \$70 value). Doors open at 6pm; dinner at 7:30pm. Space is limited, reserve now. Call Dan Uroz (650) 740-4141 or duroz@dtctool.com.

HELP NEEDED!!!

We'll be "taking down Christmas" this Tuesday immediately after Our Lady of Perpetual Help devotions at 9:15 a.m. and would love your assistance! Many hands definitely make light work, so please lend us yours if you can. Thank you. S. Sheral