Saint Robert's Church



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# 6th month Memorial Prayer Service for Father Bruce February 10th at 6 p.m.

at St. Roberts Church
All are welcomed!!!
This will offer you the time to
share your memories and thoughts
of Father Bruce.



#### 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.

#### Dear Parishioners,

In today's gospel passage from Luke, we hear the very first words from Jesus as he begins his public ministry. Even before we hear Jesus speak, his reputation precedes him. He is becoming well known. News of him spreads throughout the area. It is not until he goes to his home town of Nazareth that we hear what Jesus has to say.

At first, the people of Nazareth are amazed at Jesus. They cannot believe what they hear from their own. They have never heard anyone speak so well than Jesus. Then they begin to have doubt. How can the kid who lived next door be the same person as Jesus? The people of Nazareth are struggling to accept Jesus and his teachings. In their minds, Jesus cannot be the Messiah, the Anointed One, who has come to save them. To them, Jesus is just the kid they saw playing with their sons and daughters on the streets. He comes from too common of a family background to be of any worldly significance. Surely, no carpenter has enough power and authority to make drastic political or social changes. All that Jesus is good for is house repairs.

Because of their lack of faith, the people of Nazareth do not see Jesus for who he is the Son of God, the Promised One. They have too many preconceived notions about the son of a carpenter. Why would the almighty God choose and anoint the son of a carpenter and send him forth to do his work? Sometimes we respond the same way as the people of Nazareth. We question God's way. We cannot understand why God chooses the weak and powerless of this world to do his work. St. Paul reminds us that when we are weak it is then that we are strong. When we realize that we are powerless, it is then that we turn to God and ask for his strength. Every time Jesus experienced temptation, he turned to God in prayer and pleaded for strength to carry on.

Jesus does just that as he begins his public ministry. He knows and accepts the fact that he cannot do the work of his Father alone. By opening and reading the scripture passage of Isaiah, he is making this his prayer. Jesus is praying for the Holy Spirit to come upon him so that he can bring good tidings to the poor and to proclaim liberty to captives.

How Jesus lived his life I try to do the same as a priest. Before I do my priestly duties like celebrate a funeral mass, preach the big masses like the Easter Vigil or Christmas, or hear confessions, I pray and ask for God's help. The good that I do as a priest is not my own doing. It is God working through me to accomplish his work. I am merely an instrument of the Lord. All of us are called to do the same. Each morning before you head out the door, pray and ask God to bless you so that you can do his work with his help and strength. Doing the work of God is the most important thing that we can do.

Father Paul

#### THE WEEK AHEAD



#### Monday-February 1st

Mass Intention 6:30 Joanne Labbe †

8:30 Paul Poland †

Men's Club Mtg Passion Play

Audtions 7:00pm Church

6:30pm

#### Tuesday-February 2nd

Mass Intention 6:30 Leo Pieretti †

8:30 Kathleen

Hall

Sullivan †

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

#### Wednesday-February 3rd

6:30 Communion Service

Mass Intention 8:30 Msgr. Bruce Dreier † *Grief Support* 9:00am Mary's Chapel

#### Thursday-February 4th

6:30 Communion Service 8:30 Fr. Renee Gomez †

Mass Intention 8:30 Fr. Renee Gom **RCIA** 7:00pm Convent

Chapel

#### Friday-February 5th

Mass Intention 6:30 Joan Wegman

8:30 Jim Halpin †

#### Saturday-February 6th

Mass Intention 8:30 Mary & Sandy

Seymour †

4:30 People of St. Robert's

Eucharistic Adoration 9:00am Church AA 10:00am Mahoney

Room

Consolation Min. 3:00pm Convent

Chapel

Inbetweener's

Crab Dinner 6:30pm Hall

#### Sunday-February 7th

Mass Intention 7:30 Joseph Emilio †

9:30 Tony Mallamo † 11:30 Lucy Cucinotta † 5:00 Msgr. Bruce Dreier †

Blood Drive 7:00am Hall



#### **Communion for the Sick**

If there is someone ill in your family or recovering from surgery or chemotherapy who is unable to come to Mass, please call Sister Patricia at 589-0104 and she will ask someone to bring Holy Communion. Or contact Sr. Sheral about the option of bringing your family member Communion yourself. There is a very simple procedure to be followed and either of us will be happy to go through it with you.

#### Consolation Ministry Grief Support Group February 6th

Our next meeting is on February 6th in the Convent Chapel from 3:00 – 4:15 (before the 4:30 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 friend or companion as for support and strength if you so wish. God Bless you in your sorrow. Sister Patricia 589 – 0104 or any of the Saint Robert's Consolation Committee.

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.

#### St. Vincent de Paul Can Help

Do you know a member of St. Robert's Community who is being squeezed by hard times? St. Vincent de Paul can help with groceries, emergency assistance with rent/utility bills, and vouchers for furniture/clothes. All requests are confidential. Call 343-4403 for further information.

#### **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.

### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION February 6th**

Each day we realize, more and more, how much we need to make God the main focus of our lives and the lives of our country and world. We have a wonderful opportunity to realize the love that God has for us and thank Him for the many blessings He has bestowed upon us.

On Saturday, February 6th, following the 8:30 am Mass, we will celebrate Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration will close with Benediction at 10:00 am. Let us bring our needs and our prayers to Jesus as we spend an hour before Him in His Blessed Sacrament.

#### **AIDS LUNCH -February 10th**

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.

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

July 1st to Jan. 24th (actual)	287,486.84
7/1/09-6/30/10 Weekly Goal	10,050.00
Collection (actual 01/24)	8,537.60

Our Haiti Relief Donations now total **\$13,589.20.** 

Thank you for your donations. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



Thank you for your generous donation of \$2,351.32

to the Church in Latin America. Your generosity has made a difference by funding pastoral programs that will nurture the faith and strengthen the Church. Thank you for keeping faith with the Church in Latin America. To see where your donation is making a difference, visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections.

2009 Contributions Statements

Please call the Rectory if you would like a contribution statement for your taxes.

#### MINISTER SCHEDULE/Feb 6 & 7

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

Presider: Fr. Ring/Deacon Rusty Eucharistic Ministers: J. Scannell (C)

Deacon Rusty, J. Waldvogel, R. Aveson, M. Murphy

**Lectors:** C. Aveson and P. Scannell **Altar Servers:** J. Kelly and R. Nazzal

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

Presider: Fr. Obet/Deacon John
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Nunnery (C)
Deacon John, T. Montross, M. Noce, C. Noce
Lectors: J. Moresco and S. Heaney

Altar Servers: J. Mejia-Prieto and E. Johnston

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

Presider: Fr. Paul/Deacon John

**Eucharistic Ministers: M. Zamattia** (C) Deacon John, V. Yanke, Liz Cesca, L. Canaya

Lectors: F. Abellana and J. Aldinger

**Altar Servers**: N. Barbieri, M. Godfrey and K. Thomson **Children's Liturgy:** Esperanza & Nubia and Bob & Karen

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

Presider: Fr. Obet/Deacon John Eucharistic Ministers: B. Chester (C) Deacon John, M. Nuti, E. Sanchez, V. Valle

**Lectors:** C. Pisani and H. Beck **Altar Servers:** K. Katches and F. Nuti

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

Presider: Fr. Paul/Deacon Rusty Eucharistic Ministers: M. Dowden (C) Deacon Rusty, T. Estelita, E. Shick, K. Welch

**Lector:** M. Estelita and M. Innes

Altar Servers: E. Estelita and N. Estelita

#### **WEEKLY READINGS**

Monday-February 1st

Readings: 2 Sm 15:13-14,30:16:5-13 Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday-February 2nd

Readings: Mal 3:1-4 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40

Wednesday-February 3rd

Readings: 2 Sm 24:2,9-17 Mk 6:1-6

Thursday-February 4th

Readings: 1 Kgs 2:1-4,10-12 Mk 6:7-13

Friday-February 5th

Readings: Sir 47:2-11 Mk 6:14-29

Saturday-February 6th

Readings: 1 Kgs 3:4-13 Mk 6:30-34

Sunday-February 7th

Readings: Is 6:1-2a,3-8 1 Cor 15:1-11 Lk 5:1-11

### Living the Liturgy

#### **Your Call**

The readings for this weekend are wonderful! Fr. Paul's column focuses on the gospel, so I'll pay attention to Jeremiah's call. God's promise of divine strength for Jeremiah's mission might remind us of many modern day prophets who've faced opposition: Mother Teresa, Martin Luther King, Jr, and Mohandus Gandhi. Less famous, perhaps, are Greg Mortensen who built the first schools for girls in Pakistan; Paul Farmer, medical anthropologist and physician, who began Partners in Health; and Rosa Parks whose refusal to accept the back seat on the bus became a potent symbol for the civil rights movement. Some of these good people probably knew their vocation from childhood and for others. the awareness came with time. Each of them who changed the world by their lives was a lay person. Yes, even Mother Teresa is a lay person, since Sisters aren't ordained. One of the great insights of Vatican II was that each of us has a vocation, a call from God. What might yours be? What little piece of the world might you change by the example of your life?

Have you found a way to keep your hope up when so much of the world news we hear is so negative? Here are two ways: at the conclusion of Brian Williams' 5:30 pm news, he always features someone "Making a Difference." Inevitably, that piece uplifts me and reminds me that God is still at work in the world in so many different people in many different ways. Today's second reading about love, so often used at weddings, is incarnated in these people who, day in and day out, respond to the real needs of others. If you take Fr. Ring's suggestion seriously and read Luke's gospel, you'll find Jesus' compassion for the poor, the the one least valued. If only we were drawn to prayer as Jesus was whenever we or those we love face sorrow or hardship! As we continue to hear about the sufferings of the Haitian people, let us try to remember that God loves them more than we do. Surely, the outpouring of all forms of aid and assistance is evidence of the generosity of the global community, prompted by our common humanity and God's Spirit. May our love for the Haitian people last as long as their tremendous need.

Peace, Sister Sheral

# Woman Of The Year:

Past & Present Award Announcements



find out Thursday, February 11th 6:30pm Hennessy Hall Dinner & Drinks \$15

rsvp srwomensguild@yahoo.com



Don't miss out on this year's Women's Guild Dinner Dance on **March 20th** .Tickets will be available after all masses. Questions please contact Carolyn Uroz at 650-302-8850.

# ANNIVERSARY MASS Saturday, February 27th at 12 Noon



at St. Mary of the Assumption Cathedral

1111 Gough Street in San Francisco. Bishop William Justice cordially extends an invitation to all married couples of the Archdiocese of San Francisco and beyond to a Solemn Eucharistic Celebration and renewal of vows. Registration forms are available by download at www.sffamilylife.com or email sfeath@gmail.com or call (707) 552-3394. Special honor will be shown to those who are celebrating their 25th, 50th or 50+ Wedding Anniversaries.

#### **ADULTS NEEDING CONFIRMATION**

If you are an active Catholic but have never received your Confirmation, please contact Deacon Duffey at 589-2800. The Archdiocese has a special Confirmation preparation program with Confirmation celebrated at St. Mary's Cathedral on Pentecost Sunday, May 23rd. Classes start soon.

#### DIRECTORY UPDATE

The directory is moving forward.

However, it will still be a couple of months
before we see it
because of the extended make-up sessions
taken over the Christmas holidays.

#### **Eucharistic Ministers Needed**

If you've ever considered serving God and the parish by becoming a Eucharistic Minister, this would be a great time to volunteer! Some of those who've served us faithfully for years are retiring from this ministry. I'd like to prepare you now so that when we resume distributing the cup, as we will after the flu season, we will have the ministers needed for each Mass. The training is one session and you would be scheduled according to your availability. Please contact me at 589-2800 or <a href="mailto:srsheral@saintroberts.org">srsheral@saintroberts.org</a>. Thank you. **S. Sheral** 

#### **Bulletin Deadline**

The deadline for submission of weekly bulletin announcements is **Tuesday at noon**. Please submit announcements in writing to Kathy or Judy in the Rectory Office, fax us at 588-9628 or email reception@saintroberts.org

Thank you!



The Saint Robert's Youth Ministry invites all the teenagers of our parish to join in the presentation of our 15th Annual Passion Play.

> Auditions will be held in St. Robert's Church from 7 to 9pm Monday, February 1st, and Monday February 8th.

We are looking for Actors, Singers, Musicians and Stage Crew. Please come to one of the auditions or call Ben Baldonado at (650) 589-8519 to sign up.

NEXT WEEKEND!!!!! Blood Drive Super Bowl Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> and invite your family and friends to join us. As always your help and continued support is greatly appreciated.

#### **LOOKING FOR A MASS**

when you are out of town? check www.masstimes.org for Mass schedule in other cities.

