SAINT ROBERT'S CHURCH



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MASS TIMES

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 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.

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

Dear Parishioners,

It has been said and proven that disasters bring out the best and the worst in human beings. There are those who take advantage of the victims when tragedy strikes. There will be looters and scammers. However, for the most part, and I truly believe this, a lot more people respond by helping and supporting the victims. And I am proud to say that this is the case not only with our parish community but also with the San Bruno community at large. As the tragedy was unfolding last Thursday, September 9, 2010, there was an overwhelming show of support by many of our parishioners. The parishioners were eager to lend a hand as volunteers in the evacuation areas and at one point, I thought there were more volunteers than evacuees. We don't look forward to this kind of disaster to bring about the best in us, but when tragedy strikes, it tells us the kind of community that we are.

As I was writing this, it would take a while to determine the extent of damage or the needs of the victims of the gas pipeline explosion. We have more than one hundred registered families and parishioners that live in that neighborhood. I believe there are more parishioners affected that are not in our data base. The good news that we got the following day is that as far as our school children and their families were concerned, there were no fatalities or injured among them. However, our hearts go out to those who lost their loved ones. We have yet to learn if there are parishioners among the fatalities and the injured.

In this Sunday's gospel the dishonest steward is being praised by Jesus not for his dishonesty but for being shrewd enough to secure a future for himself. Jesus says that his disciples must be equally shrewd as the steward but should make different choices. The looters and the scammers are shrewd enough to exploit the situation and take advantage of the victims of any tragedy. As disciples of Jesus, we should know better how the help the victims so that they will be not be victimized again. This is what we do as a community of disciples in getting our act together to respond to the needs of the fire victims. It may take a while before the community is able to move on and get over this tragedy. Let us continue to pray for guidance and strength for the challenges that lay ahead in helping the victims rebuild their lives. I am happy to say that we are off to a good start. Many of our parishioners are very generous in their donations to our Friends Helping Friends. May God bless you all for your support and generosity.

THE WEEK AHEAD Monday-September 20th 6:30 Mass Intention Cosme Larios † 8:30 Joseph Drew † Finance Council 7:00pm Convent Tuesday-September 21st Mass Intention 6.30 Edmundo Phee † 8:30 John P. Murphy † Adult Religious Ed 9:15 am Mary's Chapel Religious Education Church & Hall 3:30pm Legion of Mary 6:30pm Library Rel Ed/Jr. High 7:00pm Hall Wednesday-September 22nd 6:30 Communion Service Mass Intention 8:30 Manuel Falzon † 7:00pm Choir Practice Church Thursday-September 23rd 6:30 Communion Service 8:30 Mass Intention Joseph Drew † RCIA 7:00pm Convent School Board Mta 7:00pm Mahoney Room Grownups Steering 7:15pm Committee Mta Library Friday-September 24th Kenneth Pickworth † Mass Intention 6:30 8:30 Steve Tonegato[†] Friends Helping 6:00pm Friends Hall Saturday-September 25th Mass Intention 8:30 Carol Bond † 4:30 James Halpin† AA 9:30am Mahoney Room Grief Support 3:00pm Convent Chapel San Lorenzo Ruiz Set Up 3:00pm Hall Sunday-September 26th 7:30 John Mocelin † Mass Intention

9:30

11:30

5:00

12:00pm

San Lorenzo Ruiz

John Cuddv †

People of St. Robert's

Dolores Giovannoni †

Hall

Father Obet



Andrea Trevino & Mark Schaukowitch





Our sincere sympathy to the families of Edward Aponte & Mario Feliciano who died recently.



Group Counseling Available

Sr. Maureen Sinnott, PhD, a clinical psychologist, will be offering a 12 week group counseling session at the parish from 7pm to 9 pm either Tuesdays or Thursdays, depending on which evening is more convenient for those interested.

She is a Franciscan Sister with extensive experience with trauma and grief counseling.

Anyone affected by the explosion is most welcome. Please call the rectory at 589-2800 if you'd like to participate and indicate your preference for Tuesdays or Thursdays.

Transforming Grief

A day of spiritual retreat for those who are grieving and presenter, Barbara Elordi, on Saturday, October 2nd, from 9:30 to 2:30 at St. Robert's.

Please call Barbara Elordi, ministry of Consolation Coordinator for the Archdiocese of San Francisco, to register at (415) 614-5506.



PRIEST'S RETIREMENT FUND

This Weekend our parish is taking up a special collection to support our retired priests. This year's theme, In Gratitude... for a Lifetime of Service, will help ensure the Priest's Retirement Fund stays hale and hearty and continues to provide minimal monthly pensions as well as health as well as health insurance to our retired priests.

As you many know, the retirement years can be difficult for our priests. No longer supported by their parish communities, they rely on minimal Social Security benefits and their pensions from the Priests' Retirement Fund for basic needs, such as food, housing and transportation.

Please show your gratitude to those priests who have cared for and ministered to you by prayerfully reflecting on how you can best help support our priest's retirement with a gift to the In Gratitude... for a Lifetime of Service Priests Retirement Fund collection. When you have completed the envelope you received please return it during the collection or drop it off a the parish office.



| July 1st to Sept. 12th (goal) | 118,390.00 |
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| July 1st to Sept. 12th (actual) | 97,079.45 |
| 7/1/10-6/30/11 Weekly Goal | 10,490.00 |
| Collection (actual 9/12) | 10,027.74 |

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

As of 9/14/10 over 400 families have pledged \$69,930.15 Our goal this year is \$96,000 Thank you in advance for your generous donation.

MINISTER SCHEDULE/Sep 25 & 26

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Nnanna Eucharistic Ministers: D. Bisagno (C) T. Dachauer, K. Martinez, J. Brooks, D. Hageman, R. Hanley, L. Rodriguez Lectors: Christina Clarke & Barbara Rudometkin Altar Servers: D. Rodriguez and M. Mar

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Ring Eucharistic Ministers: R. Vassallo (C) C. Sorocco, T. Montross, F. Reyes, B. Albright Lectors: Albert Reyes and Jeffrey Thomsen Altar Servers: K. Thomson and A. Blumenthal

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet Eucharistic Ministers: M. Zamattia (C) M. Quilici, M. Bourne, J. Kelly, M. Salazar, S. Salazar, K. Semenza Lectors: John Valdez and Jim Shick Altar Servers: A. Gaines, B. Godfrey and C. Shick Children's Liturgy: Family Mass

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet Eucharistic Ministers: G. Huddleston (C) Deacon John, T. Estelita, M. Aberoutte, M. Dowden, M. Mahoney, C. Innes Lectors: Mario Benevente & Christine Benevente Altar Servers: S. O'Halloran and F. Valle

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul Eucharistic Ministers: T. Estelita (C) D. Ferris, C. Browne, B. Pace, M. Santiago, J. Semeniuk, M. Elmore Lector: Mark Innes and Brijit Lopez Altar Servers: E. Estelita and N. Estelita

WEEKLY READINGS

<u>Monday-September 20th</u> Readings: Prv 3:27-34 Lk 8:16-18 <u>Tuesday-September 21st</u> Readings: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Mt 9:9-13 <u>Wednesday-September 22nd</u> Readings: Prv 30:5-9 Lk 9:1-6 <u>Thursday-September 23rd</u> Readings: Eccl 1:2-11 Lk 9:7-9 <u>Friday-September 24th</u> Readings: Eccl 3:1-11 Lk 9:18-22 <u>Saturday-September 25th</u> Readings: Eccl 11:9—12:8 Lk 9:43b-45 <u>Sunday-September 26th</u> Readings: Am 6:1a, 4-7 1 Tm 6:11-16 Lk 16:19-31

LIVING THE LITURGY

Thank You, One and All!

How strange these 11 days have been for all of us! I trust that each of you has heard from family and friends concerned about your whereabouts and promising prayers. One of my Franciscan sisters sent a lovely card in which she wrote, "Please know that I and many others continue our prayers of hope for healing, recovery, rebuilding of place and spirit and peace for all affected by this tragedy." It has surely been a time of mixed feelings: sorrow for those who have died and their grieving families; gratitude for safety; awkwardness and embarrassment for those asking for help for the first time in their lives; amazement at the goodness and generosity of strangers who recognized that we really are all one family.

Providentially, today's second reading from Paul's letter to Timothy asks that "supplications, prayers, petitions and thanksgivings be offered for everyone...in authority." How blest we've been to have Jim Ruane, the city council and all the city staff, so competent and ready to serve, literally laying down their lives for us these days and nights. If anyone had thought of those in local government as simply bureaucrats that can no longer be the case! Our state and federal elected officials were also quick to respond, capable and compassionate in their presence. I couldn't help but contrast this experience with that of the Katrina survivors whose governor tried in vain to get a federal declaration of emergency while the mayor was holed up in the Holiday Inn and local officials were nowhere to be seen. We will never forget the tireless Red Cross volunteers, Park and Recreation personnel, PG&E workers, Lions Club members, all the stores, restaurants and individuals who donated food, water, clothing, time and energy. The gospel reminds us that we need to be clear about our priorities. Thanks be to God that all these good people have their priorities straight! God's love for us shines through their generosity!

Peace, S. Sheral

I'm away for provincial council meetings all week, so we won't have our Tuesday morning session this week.

P.S. Please do encourage your friends and neighbors to come to the festival! It will be a great chance to visit and support each other. Thanks!

Men

Do you have ties that are just sitting in your closet, unwanted, unused and unappreciated and you just don't know what to do with them! Bring them in for Fr. Nnanna and give them a new life in Nigeria.

The brighter the better he says.



San Lorenzo Ruiz

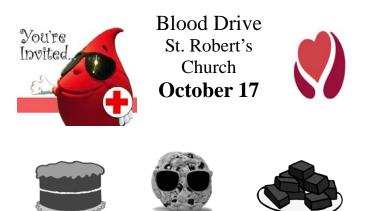


Fil-Am Group is celebrating the Feastday of San Lorenzo Ruiz on Sunday, September 26at 11:30am mass, reception will immediately follow at Henessey Hall.

A Nine-day Novena prayers will be hosted by each Fil-Am family starting on September 17 thru Sept 25. Everyone welcomed. For more information please contact Encar Sanchez (650) 588-7153.

ST. ROBERT'S RESPECT FOR LIFE GROUP

Attention Spiritual Adoption "Parents." For those of you who signed up in January to spiritually adopt and pray for an unborn baby, you are invited to bring your <u>new, unwrapped</u> baby gift to the mass of your choice on either Saturday, October 2 or Sunday, October 3. For further information, please contact Mary Nunnery at 455-7685.



Cakes, Cookies Brownies.... Your Specialties needed. Your donations are what make the Cake Booth successful each year. We welcome and encourage your delicious treats to be dropped off at the Cake Booth throughout the Festival. Please contact Dina Thompson at **692 5277** with any questions.

Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors!

If you haven't let us know your availability, PLEASE let Sister Sheral know this weekend.

We really need to know when you are free. Thank you.

SAN BRUNO FIRE RELIEF FUND

September 24, 2010 4:30 to 8:00 PM Hennessy Hall

Eat In or Take Out Dinner Raffle & Silent Auction \$10 Adults \$5 Children \$25 Family

Donations toward the raffle Can be Dropped off at Rectory

