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,

The prophet Isaiah speaks to us across the centuries in the Advent first readings. He dreams of peace in the aftermath of war. He imagines soldiers beating their swords into plowshares.

Mountain climbers Greg Mortenson offers an example of a piece builder. He learns from village elders as he attempts to build his first school in the remote village of Korphe, Pakistan, that building relationships is the real cement that turns bricks into walls. He learns to listen and take time to drink three cups of tea, the practice among the Balti tribe.

The first time you share a cup of tea with a Balti, you are a stranger. The second time you share tea you are an honored guest. The third time you share a cup of tea you become family, and for our family we are prepared to do anything.

Sunday's gospel comes near the end of Matthew 24. "Not one stone will be left on another," Jesus prophecies as the chapter begins.

Matthew knows by hindsight that the temple lies in the ruins and that the resurrection, not the crucifixion, climaxes Jesus' life. His gospel offers Christians insight that they are a new temple, the living stones of a new community of faith.

A thief views unawareness as opportunity. Jesus calls us to wake up to the value of everyday. With foresight we can see in the present the future we are building. We invest with children in their future. We sleep and wake. We rest and play. We work and build. We love and support. These activities make lives of our days and years. Hindsight means seeing where things went wrong, where we wasted time and people. Hindsight can help us see in the past what we do not want in our future. Insight helps us value the present.

Today is the day to live the way our best foresight and hindsight show us. Now is the moment to live like Jesus. Now is the moment to feed the hungry, and forgive those we really love, to restore depressed spirits to praise God again.

Now is the time to appreciate lady bugs and roses, walk on the seashore, and watch birds fly above the cottonwoods. Now is the time to let "I love you" or "I'm proud of you" no longer go unsaid. Now is the time to give yourself to those you love and those whose lives you can touch.

God Bless, Deacon John Meyer

THE WEEK AHEAD



Monday-November 29th

Mass Intention 6:30 Helen Fanucchi †

8:30 Blake Interdonato †

Pastoral Council 7:30pm Convent

Tuesday-November 30th

Mass Intention 6:30 Sofia Romero †

8:30 Frances Bresette † **Adult Religious Ed**9:15 am Mary's Chap

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Wednesday-December 1st

6:30 Communion Service

Mass Intention 8:30 Frank Vidulich † *Grief Support Mtg.* 9:00am Mary's Chapel

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Thursday-December 2nd

6:30 Communion Service

Mass Intention 8:30 Vince Valdez †

Friday-December 3rd

Mass Intention 6:30 Amerigo Parenti †

8:30 Joe & Elda Salvi †

Men's Club

Crab Cioppino 6:00pm Hall

Saturday-December 4th

Mass Intention 8:30 Jim Smandra †

4:30 Lloyd Lagomarsino †

Euch. Adoration 9:00am Church

AA 9:30am Mahoney Room
First Reconciliation 11:00am Church

Consolation Min. 3:00pm Convent

Sunday-December 5th

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mass Intention 7:30 Tom & MaryAnn

Begley †

9:30 Donna Glass †

11:30 People of St. Robert's

5:00 Carolina Sarti †

Women's Guild

Boutique 10:00am Hall



WE CONGRATULATE THE NEWLY MARRIED



Gay Annabelle García & Andrew Apuada



Our sincere sympathy to the family of Jean-Claude Muzac who died recently.



ADOPT A FAMILY

Once again this year we will have an Adopta-Family tree in front of church for the Christmas Season. The tree will have paper ornaments profiling families than can use some help during this time of year. We've received our families from our own St. Vincent de Paul Society, as well as Catholic Worker House in Redwood City, Child and Family Services of San Mateo County and again this year we've gotten some families from our adopted parish in Mississippi.

If you have means to help, look for the tree after Masses this weekend and on December 4-5. We'll need the gifts turned in by the weekend of Dec. 11th and 12th for distribution.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. If you have questions please call Rob & Cathy Aveson 583 4757, John & Eileen Grealish 589 6011 or John & Nancy Marty 588 4740.

GIFTS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Many members of our Parish family are homebound or in nursing facilities due to serious illness or advanced years. During Advent, we say to Our Lord: "Come, Lord Jesus!" This hope is in their hearts as well. We can bring Jesus' love to them by placing an unwrapped gift in the basket on our altar steps by December 19th. Some suggestions are: white knee socks, lap robes, sweaters, slippers, robes, dusters, nightgowns, pajamas, a note of encouragement.

St. Vincent De Paul Needs Volunteers

Volunteers are needed to help serve at our Homeless Help Centers in South San Francisco and San Mateo. Learn more at the SVdP Volunteer Orientation on Tuesday, December 7th, 1:30p.m. Volunteers are also needed to answer helpline calls and for computer data entry. Call Atrecia at 373-0623 to reserve a spot at the volunteer orientation. Help us feed the hungry!

The Perfect Gift St. Robert Parish Gift Card Fundraiser







Have a **birthday** coming up, **home repair** to do or Christmas gifts to buy or simply purchase groceries? Gift cards from various local retailers will be available to purchase after all masses. No fees. Cash and checks accepted.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The collection figures for November 21st will appear in the December 5th bulletin.

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

As of 11/9/10 over 500 families have pledged \$76,463.17 Our goal this year is \$96,000

Thank you in advance for your generous donation.

MINISTER SCHEDULE/Dec 4 & 5

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Presider: Not Available

Eucharistic Ministers: A. Ciraulo (C) Deacon, S. Chester, T. Dachauer, J. Beltraono.

J. Waldvogel, C. Holland

Lectors: M. Dachauer and C. Clarke **Altar Servers:** C. Lynch and P. Lynch

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Not Available

Eucharistic Ministers: B. Mullins (C)

Deacon, E. Ruggiero, C. Soracco, r. Lahoz, T. Montross

Lectors: J. Moresco and J. Aldinger

Altar Servers: K. Thomson and B. Godfrey

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Not Available

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Valdez (C)

Deacon, T. Smerdel, A. Solis, G. Sinks, M. Salazar,

S. Salazar

Lectors: T. Tullius and J. Valdez

Altar Servers: K. Uniacke, M. Grealish and K. Ajam **Children's Liturgy:** Terry and Sandy & Danny

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Not Available

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Giusti (C) Deacon, H. Mantler, V. Valle, D. Murphy,

M. Fernandez, P. Fernandez **Lectors:** F. Firpo and C. Pisani **Altar Servers:** A. Kelly and F. Valle

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Not Available

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Salvato (C)

Deacon, S. Mangold, J. Semeniuk, A. Lopez, C. Lopez,

V. Lopez

Lector: L. Misculin and M. Estelita

Altar Servers: C. Osterlund and E. Wright

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-November 29th

Readings: Is 4:2-6 Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday-November 30th

Readings: Rom 10:9-18 Mt 4:18-22

Wednesday-December 1st

Readings: Is 25:6-10a Mt 15:29-37

Thursday-December 2nd

Readings: Is 26:1-6 Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday-December 3rd

Readings: Is 29:17-24 Mt 9:27-31

Saturday-December 4th

Readings: Is 30:19-21, 23-26 Mt 9:35-10:1,5a,6-8

Sunday-December 5th

Readings: Is 11:1-10 Rom 15:4-9 Mt 3:1-12



Centerplate Sign Up



Sunday, December 12 49ers vs Seattle 8:15am 1:00pm Sunday, January 2, 2011 49ers vs Arizona 8:15am 1:00pm

Dress Code:

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

We will car pool from the rectory. For those working in San Francisco, you can meet the group at the gate. Volunteers between 16 - 21 years of age must provide a copy of a picture id which includes his/her birth date.

Sign up on the web at www. Saintroberts.org

Centerplate Year to Date has raised more than \$46,382.93!!!!!!!

A thanks goes out to all those who have volunteered there time to make this season such a

The Giving Tree

The Children's Liturgy team will be setting up their annual Giving Tree. Parishioners are invited to take an ornament from the tree, purchase that item and return it unwrapped along with the gift tag to the box in vestibule. These gifts are

distributed through various needy organizations.

Thank you in advance for your continued spirit of generosity for our neighbors in need.

AIDS LUNCH -Dec. 8th

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.

MERRY CHRISTMAS SRWG MEMBERS!



Come be a part of the spirit and fun of the Women's Guild The St. Robert's Women's Guild will be hosting a meeting and dinner to celebrate Christmas. We also do our annual ornament exchange.

This is always fun. Be sure to bring a wrapped (\$5 - \$10) ornament. We hope you can join us celebrate and bring cheer to a blessed holiday season.

Make sure to wear your favorite Christmas attire!!

Monday, December 6, 2010 6:30 p.m. HennessyHall

DINNER: \$12.00 (OPEN BAR) RSVP TO: SRWOMENSGUILD@YAHOO.COM





St. Robert's School, Hennessy Hall 345 Oak Avenue, San Bruno

Come and shop for unique crafts, holiday decor and gifts!