# 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,

I just got off the phone with Gracie Johnson, the 86 year old woman who lovingly cared for my mom before she needed to go to an Alzheimer's facility. Unfortunately, now that she has cancer, there are very few people caring for her except for my older sister and her partner. When I assured her that God understands that she can't go to her Baptist church services any more, she replied, "I am the Church, so I don't worry about that! And my body is His body, that's what the bible says."

Of course, I'm not encouraging folks to skip Mass; we need to be here for each other. Gathered in community, we're strength for those needing support. How many among us have lost their jobs or had their hours cut? How many are struggling in their marriages or with difficulty, finding the time and energy to present to their aging parents? be Sometimes, no doubt, we're the ones who draw from the faith of our community when we're feeling weak or fragile in faith. Gracie had gone faithfully to her church since she was a child and that's where she learned what she believes, as well as from a faith-filled family.

When I heard the Beatitude last weekend, I couldn't help but think of the speech coach in "The King's Speech." Who knows if the character Lionel was a believer, but he surely lived those gualities Jesus spoke about. He was poor in spirit, recognizing his own gifts and dignity and honoring those of the prince/king. It was Lionel's mourning for someone with a speech defect which led him to his vocation. He spoke up for the justice of using Westminster Abbey for the necessary practice instead of going along with custom. He was merciful with the king, understanding his frustrations and forgiving his rudeness. And he was meek, accepting graciously the counsel of his wise wife.

May God's Spirit help us to embody the Beatitudes in our own daily lives!

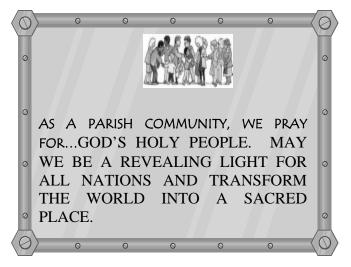
Peace, S. Sheral

# THE WEEK AHEAD



Monday-February 7th 6:30 Tony Mallamo † Mass Intention 8:30 Danillo Cruz † Tuesday-February 8th Mass Intention 6:30 Mary O'Neill † 8:30 Kathleen Sullivan † Adult Rel Ed 9:15 am Marv's Chapel 3:30pm Church & Hall Rel Education Library Legion of Mary 6:30pm Rel Ed/Jr. High 7:00pm Hall Wednesday-February 9th 6:30 **Communion Service** Mass Intention 8:30 Joseph Vinal † **Choir Practice** 7:00pm Church Thursday-February 10th 6:30 **Communion Service** Mass Intention 8:30 Roberta Fleitz † Friday-February 11th 6:30 Hugh Mitchell † Mass Intention Pat Miailovich 8:30 Men's Club/Women's Guild Joint Meeting 6:00pm Hall Saturday-February 12th 8:30 Charles & Rita Agius † Mass Intention 4:30 John Erasmy † AA 9:30am Mahoney Room Sunday-February 13th 7:30 People of St. Robert's Mass Intention 9:30 Joseph Grech † Carmen J. Capella † 11:30 Phyllis Hughes † 5:00 18 1 **BLOOD DRIVE** Cancelled 18 for 10 FEBRUARY 6TH 

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# AIDS LUNCH – Feb. 9th

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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

Thank you for your continued assistance.

# THANK YOU

Well it's been five weeks since Christmas and I think it is about time to thank all those people who contributed to the programs that made our holiday gift giving a huge success. THANKS go out to:

Children's Liturgy all and that donated to their Giving Tree.

The Adopt A Family tree which is our biggest source of gifts. Many thanks Rob & Cathy Aveson, John & Eileen Grealish and John & Nancy Marty who collected and sorted the many gifts to be distributed.

**Y.L.I.** members for the many baby items.

Last but oh so important ! Members of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society who brought good tidings to so many of our brothers & sisters.

"If the only prayer you said in your whole life was "thank you" that would suffice."

**Meister Eckhart** 

# 2011 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

NEW THIS YEAR..... The Archdiocese of San Francisco is accepting on-line credit card and direct debit (electronic transfer from a bank account) donations.

You may either give a one-time gift or a monthly recurring gift using a credit card or via direct debit from your bank. Just log on to our website: www.saintroberts.org and you can link to the Archdiocese's donation page.

Thank you for your continued support.

# **ATTENTION ALL WIDOWS**

We are forming a new group within the Parish for widows Our first meeting will take place on Thursday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00PM in Mary's Chapel, which is located to your right at the front of the church. Please come and share your ideas and suggestions for the name of our group and what kind of activities you would like.

If you have any questions, call Anna May May at 589-7087.

# WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Lynn Proctor & Family Valentino & Elaine Isidro Philip & May Sue & Family Geno & Claudia Sirhan & Family

# IF YOU ARE NEW TO ST. ROBERT'S

fill out a registration form and 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.

	COLLECTION
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July 1st to Jan 30, 2011 (goal)	296,720.00
July 1st to Jan 30th (actual)	273,404.75
7/1/10-6/30/11 Weekly Goal	10,490.00
Collection (actual 1/30)	7,758.80

Thank you for your generous donation of \$4,224.55 to our St. Vincent de Paul Society.

# **MINISTER SCHEDULE/Feb 12 & 13**

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

Presider: Fr. Obet Eucharistic Ministers: R. Hanley (C) D. Hageman, R. Aveson, J. Brooks, C. Holland, D. Interdonato, K. Martinez Lectors: C. Aveson and J. Cronin Altar Servers: C. Lynch and P. Lynch

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

Presider: Fr. Ring Eucharistic Ministers: J. Aldinger (C) A. Buelow, T. Montross, R. Jardin, R. Lahoz Lectors: M. Moresco and R. Rolfes Altar Servers: M. Nussbaum and K. Thomson

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

Presider: Fr. Obet Eucharistic Ministers: R. Valdez (C) M. Bologna, M. Bourne, T. Casey, J. Kelly, D. Marty, T. Jones Lectors: J. Shick and J. Valdez Altar Servers: A. Bolivar, C. Shick and P. Dickson Children's Liturgy: Michael and Darlene

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

Presider: Fr. Paul Eucharistic Ministers: V. Valle (C) C. Forsell, J. Yee, D. Murphy, H. Mantle, L. Juvero, H. Madayag Lectors: F. Firpo and T. Tannis Altar Servers: J. Fontenot and L. Fontenot

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

Presider: Fr. Paul Eucharistic Ministers: M. Santiago (C) C. Browne, M. Elmore, B. Pace, M. Aberouette, J. Semeniuk, G. Huddleston Lector: M. Estelita and H. Lowood Altar Servers: E. Estelita and N. Estelita

#### WEEKLY READINGS

# SCOUTS SUNDAY

Sunday, February 13

# Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts will be celebrating



# Scout Sunday February 13 9:30 a.m. Mass.

All Scouts, and their families, are invited to attend a celebratory mass in their honor. Scouts are requested to assem-

ble in front of St. Robert's church in their full Class A uniform, **no later than** 9:15 a.m.

# Scout volunteers are needed!

We are looking for Scouts interested in participating in the mass as greeters, flag bearers, readers, gift bearers, and altar servers (scout must already be an altar server at St. Robert's). If your scout would like to participate in the mass in any of the capacities listed above, please contact Marcie Gigena by email at Marcie\_gigena@earthlink.net, **no later than** Monday, February 7st.

# \*\*\*DINNER DANCE RAFFLE TICKETS \*\*\*

The Raffle tickets for this year's Women's Guild annual Dinner Dance have been delivered to all parishioners. Please support this year's fundraiser by sending in your raffle tickets to either the Rectory or in the collection box at each mass along with your check for \$10.00. You could be one of the luck winners. If you do not wish to participate please send back your unused tickets so that we may pass them along. This is a major part for the success of this fundraiser.

# WOMEN'S GUILD and MEN'S CLUB

Joint meeting and dinner. This is our first joint meeting in a few years and it will be held on a Friday night!!! This can be the beginning to a great date night.

We hope to see you *!!* Friday, February 11th 6:30 p.m. Hennessy Hall DINNER: \$20.00 per person (OPEN BAR) RSVP TO: SRWOMENSGUILD@YAHOO.COM

# Living Liturgy

Salt and Light

As the federal and state governments consider where to cut services to balance their budgets, we need to really hear the first reading. Individualism is in the air we breathe, but it doesn't fit with our faith and our commitment to live as Jesus did. "Share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless; clothe the naked when you see them, and do not turn your back on your own." We need to use all our creativity to find ways of balancing the budget other than it being accomplished by hurting those with the fewest resources and the least political power. This reading is from the prophet Isaiah, but Jesus says the same thing in Matthew's gospel: "You are the salt of the earth...you are the light of the world." Sr. Barbara Reid, OP shares with us the understanding of this image of salt which Jesus' listeners would have had. Salt was used as a preservative; it purified polluted springs and was used to ratify covenants. As she points out, Jesus called his disciples salt since "they season and purify the world with God's love, giving witness to divine fidelity that preserves life for all eternity." ("Undiluted and Undimmed," America, Jan. 24-31)

And we might ask, isn't Jesus himself the light of the world? Does he really mean that we are supposed to be, too? The images Matthew's community uses are not insignificant: the city on a mountain and the one lamp in a house. Our light is supposed to be seen, not to our self-aggrandizement, but so that people may "see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." A parishioner shared with me today that she knows her gifts and regularly visits lonely people in her neighborhood. "If only everyone knew their gifts and used them!" she exclaimed. Each of us needs to be that light for family members, for co-workers or fellow city council members, for the teams we coach, for the school parents we hang out with, for our friends at the Senior Center. For whom are you called to be the light of Christ? Who is a light of Christ for you?

As the people of Egypt, Tunisia, Jordan and Yemen demonstrate for the freedoms many of us take for granted, let us keep them in our prayers that their leaders may hear their cries and enable peaceful transitions in government to take place.

Peace, S. Sheral

# Help Our Group Earn Thousands of Dollars It's Easy ! It's for a Limited Time!

Bring in your Safeway receipts to the School or the Rectory on the weeks of January 29 - February 22.

# Listening to God's Word

Entering into the Liturgy of the Word, we might think that the main action taking place is the lector standing at the ambo reading from Sacred Scripture. In one sense, this is correct. We would be hard-pressed to overstate the importance and power of the Word of God proclaimed at each liturgy. Jesus Christ himself is present to us in this living Word. We should always remember that our life,

faith and worship are possible only with of God's initiative.

However, consider the work for which we are responsible—to listen. Before any of us can become doers, proclaimers or preachers of God's Word, we must first be hearers of the Word. In the Liturgy FROM CHURCH DOCUMENTS

" ... the Scriptures are the living waters from which all who seek life and salvation must drink." Introduction to the Lectionary for Mass (1981), n. 5

of the Word, listening is our first right and duty.

To listen well takes focus and intention. Just as the lector must have the intention of proclaiming the reading clearly, audibly and intelligently, so each of us must have the intention of listening to God's message as if our lives and the life of the Church depends upon it, for indeed they do. In the busy-ness of life, where many of us feel overwhelmed with advertisements, e-mails and text messages, let us carefully, deliberately, hungrily attend to the Word of God, for here are the words of eternal life.

# WORLD DAY OF THE SICK MASS

Archbishop George Neiderauer Principal Celebrant Saturday, February 12th, 2011, Noon Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption

# **Passion Play Auditions**



The Saint Robert's Youth Ministry invites all the teenagers of our parish to join in the presentation of our 16th Annual Passion Play. <u>Auditions will be held in Saint Robert's Church:</u> Sun. ~ Feb. 20, 2011 ~ 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Mon. ~ Feb. 21, 2011 ~ 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Sun. ~ Feb. 27, 2011 ~ 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

We are also looking for Singers, Musicians and Stage Crew, please come to one of the auditions, or call one of us to sign up for any of these positions. You may call either:

Ben Baldonado at (650) 589-8519 or Collin Tullius at (650) 270-1444

Family Resources Fair - February 9 (10-4 pm) Hillsdale Shopping Center Free Admission Health Plan of San Mateo Child fingerprinting Over 30 family—related business