

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 Friends,

The rain has stopped and the sun is shining through the clouds. I sit here in Gene's big blue chair sipping Irish Breakfast tea. When I ask him to help me write this letter, I hear: "Open the little black Lenten book that Sister Sheral gave you." I open to the front of the book. At the start of Lent, I asked Jesus what He wanted me to write under "My Lenten Plan". There I had written: "Jesus says to me: 'I want you to be happy -- to enjoy the life I have blessed you with.'"

Both then and now, this seems an odd Lenten request. I say to Gene: "Shouldn't Lent be a time of grave thinking, introspection and sad thoughts?" In my heart, I hear Gene say: "Haven't you had enough of that? Remember how very much I enjoyed our life even during the hard times." What was Gene's secret? Could it be that he started each day by going to 8:30 Mass? Could it be that at daily Mass he either read aloud the Word of God or listened carefully to it? Could it be that, that through the years, he came to know Jesus? Could it be that he had a personal relationship with Jesus?

Memories fill my mind. I see Gene laughing as he swallows hundreds of chemo pills. I hear him joking with the wonderful gals at Mills Infusion Center as they tenderly give him blood transfusions. Gene and Father Bruce would tease each other about which of them had received the most units of blood. Gene's record was hard to beat – 81 units. Gene's favorite hours were when his children and grandchildren came to visit. Gene's most peaceful moments were when our great-grandson Chris snuggled in his arms. I would peek in and see them asleep together in this big blue chair.

Gene's twinkling blue eyes, infectious smile and jolly laugh are imprinted within my heart. Watching Gene's joy through good times and bad, have made me realize that God doesn't want us to be gloomy or downhearted during Lent or at any time in our lives. Jesus loves us so much that He died that we might live in joy, in peace and in harmony. His mercy and love embrace us and will remain with us for all eternity. So for my Lenten plan and for the rest of my days I will aim at following Gene's favorite motto:

LOVE LIFE – LIVE LOVE!

Anna May



THE WEEK AHEAD



Monday-March 28th

Mass Intention 6:30 Mary Cosenza †
8:30 Philip Delucchi †
Passion Play Reh 7:00pm Church

Tuesday-March 29th

Mass Intention 6:30 Kathryn Jones †
8:30 Sister Deirdre Sullivan, PBVM †
Adult Rel Ed 9:15am Mary's Chapel
Rel Education 3:30pm Church & Hall
Legion of Mary 6:30pm Library
Confirmation 7:00pm Hall

Wednesday-March 30th

6:30 Communion Service
Mass Intention 8:30 Mary Daly †
Choir Practice 7:00pm Church

Thursday-March 31st

6:30 Communion Service
Mass Intention 8:30 Sotera Maniago †

Friday-April 1st

Mass Intention 6:30 Manuel Spiteri †
8:30 Msgr. Bruce Dreier †
Stations of the Cross 6pm Church
Soup Supper 6:30 pm Hall
Passion Play Reh 6:45pm Church

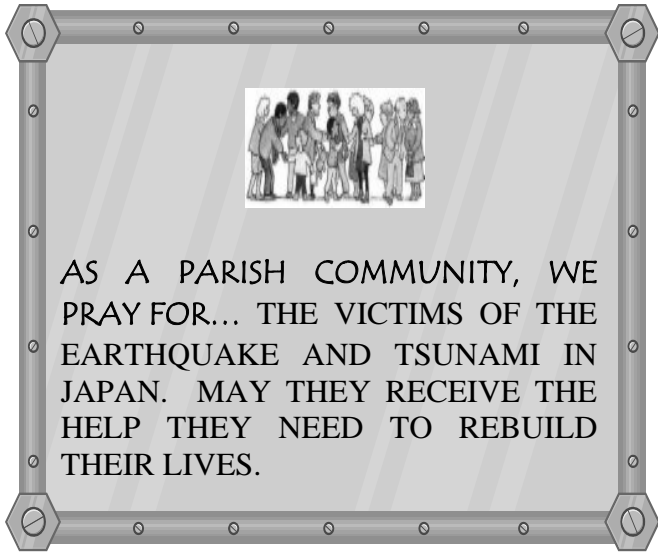
Saturday-April 2nd

Mass Intention 8:30 Frances Friedman †
4:30 Anthony Torres †
AA 9:30am Mahoney Room

Sunday-April 3rd

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Intention 7:30 Irene Mocelin †
9:30 Frances Friedman †
11:30 Kathleen Sullivan †
5:00 Julio Borruso †
Grownup's Luncheon 12:30pm Hall
Passion Play Reh 7:00pm Church



Our sincere sympathy to the family of
Geraldine Molina
who died recently.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mother Teresa has said: *“To be alone with Jesus in adoration and intimate union with Him is the greatest gift of love---the tender love of our Father in heaven. The fruit of our adoration is that our love for Jesus is more intimate, our love for each other is more understanding, our love for the poor is more compassionate.”*

On Saturday, April 1st, and on every First Saturday of each month, following the 8:30AM Mass and continuing until 10AM in our Church, we have an opportunity to rest in the quiet and powerful presence of Jesus and to listen as He speaks to our heart. *All are welcome!*

Stations of the Cross

On Friday, April 1st, at 6PM, Stations will be held in the Church. They will be led by Mary’s Widows. Our Lenten Soup Supper will follow in the Hall. The Abellana family has graciously offered to supply the food and prepare all of our sacrificial meals. You will find a basket on the serving table for the donation of what you would have spent for your Friday dinner. Our St. Vincent de Paul Society will use your gift to help those members of our parish family who are in need.

**2nd Collection
This Weekend**

There are many dioceses right here in the United States whose parishes struggle to keep their doors open. These dioceses are classified as home missions and cannot maintain pastoral programs like catechesis, youth ministry, and seminary formation on their own. The Catholic Home Missions Appeal and supports these dioceses by funding essential ministries, including aid to vulnerable parishes. Please be generous in this Appeal and help strengthen the Church at home.

2nd Collection Envelope Correction

Unfortunately our envelope company did not make all the changes to our home envelopes. If you use envelopes, the 2nd collection envelope dated April 24th should be thrown out. The second collection on Easter is not for Home Missions.

Special Collection for Japan

If you would like to donate to help the people in Japan, please write Japan on the memo line of your check and put it in the Second Collection for April 9th and 10th. If you prefer to use cash, it must be placed in an envelope with Japan put on the outside. The second collection that weekend is scheduled for Catholic Relief Services, which is different, and all unmarked checks and cash will be sent to Catholic Relief Services, which helps people in other parts of the world. Thank you for your understanding.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

July 1st to March 20, 2011 (goal)	359,660.00
July 1st to March 20th (actual)	339,359.82
7/1/10-6/30/11 Weekly Goal Collection (actual 3/20)	10,490.00 8,340.57

Thank you for your generous donation of
\$4,536.02
to the Japan Earthquake/Tsunami relief fund.

**2011 ARCHBISHOP’S
ANNUAL APPEAL
As of 3/17/11
\$30,210.52
has been pledged.
Our goal this year is \$86,200.
Thank you in advance**

MINISTER SCHEDULE/APR 2 & 3

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul & Deacon Rusty
Eucharistic Ministers: J. Scannell (C)
Deacon Rusty, T. Dachauer, J. Beltrano, M. Murphy
Lectors: C. Bonner and C. Clarke
Altar Servers: C. Paulbitsky and C. McHale

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet & Deacon John
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Nunnery (C)
Deacon John, E. Ruggiero, A. Buelow, B. Mulliins
Lectors: A. Reyes and R. Rolfes
Altar Servers: M. Nussbaum and B. Godfrey

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul & Deacon John
Eucharistic Ministers: L. Cesca (C)
Deacon John, A. Romine, K. Semenza, M. Quilici
Lectors: J. Valdez and D. Wilson
Altar Servers: P. Dickson, A. Sciacqua and A. Gaines
Children's Liturgy: Michael and Darlene

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Ring & Deacon John
Eucharistic Ministers: B. Chester (C)
Deacon John, N. Bomba, H. Mantler, C. Forsell
Lectors: T. Tannis and F. Firpo
Altar Servers: D. Arellano and S. Stelmashenko

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet & Deacon Rusty
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Dowden (C)
Deacon Rusty, C. Lopez, V. Lopez, A. Lopez
Lector: B. Lopez and F. Abellana
Altar Servers: A. Kucsak and C. Osterlund

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-March 28th

Readings: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday-March 29th

Readings: Dn 3:25, 34-43 Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday-March 30th

Readings: Dt 4:1, 5-9 Mt 5:17-19

Thursday-March 31st

Readings: Jer 7:23-28 Lk 11:14-23

Friday-April 1st

Readings: Hos 14:2-10 Mk 12:28-34

Saturday-April 2nd

Readings: Hos 6:1-6 Lk 18:9-14

Sunday-April 3rd

Readings: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7,10-13a Eph 5:8-14 Jn 9:1-41



The search for the new principal of St. Robert's School is underway. I would like to thank the members of the Principal Search Committee for their commitment to be part of the process in hiring our new principal. The members of the committee are: Rob Aveson, Sharon Firpo, John Grealish, Reuben Halili, Michael Herrera, Trudy Mar, Stephanie McElroy and Shaune Montross. As your pastor I am also part of the search process and we are being assisted by Brett E. Allen, the Associate Superintendent for Educational and Professional Leadership of the Department of Catholic Schools. We hope to finish the interviews of the applicants before the end of April and hopefully by May we can offer a contract to the new principal. I urge all of you to pray for the success of this search process.

Children's Liturgy Annual Palm Sunday Presentation April 17

Is your child and actor at heart? We need children five years of age and older to take part in Palm Sunday presentation of the Gospel on April 17th at the 9:30 am Mass.

Rehearsals will take place at Church on Monday April 11th, Wednesday April 13th and Friday April 15th between 4 and 5 pm.

Children can sign up on Sunday April 3rd and April 10th after the 9:30 am Mass in the Little Church. Call Mary Ann Saisi at 589 2000 or email her at masaisi.@att.net for more information.

CONSOLATION MINISTRY

Saint Robert's Grief Support Group's next meetings will be on **Saturday, April 2nd and 16th**, in the **Convent @ 349 Oak Ave** from 3:00 – 4:15 pm. Anyone who is suffering from the loss, of a loved one spouse, sibling, child, parent, friend or relative is invited to come together and pray, share, comfort and be comforted. You are invited to bring a friend or companion as a support and strength if you so wish. No one is pressured to speak or contribute if your pain is too intense. May God bless and comfort you in your sorrow. If you have any questions, call **Sister Patricia @ 589-0104** .

Water for Life

Interestingly enough, this Friday was World Water Day and today we hear the gospel of the Woman at the Well. There is an effort afoot to privatize water in developing countries, so the United Nations last year passed a resolution declaring that water is a human right. We can survive a long time without food, but not without water.

The thirst of the woman for physical water symbolizes her spiritual thirst, evident in her questioning of Jesus. She is no "shrinking violet," but someone who knows her faith and wants to figure out how this stranger, who breaks the cultural laws of the times, fits into what she already believes. He doesn't fit in, of course, but she isn't put off by that. Rather she is open to him, attracted by his words (and probably the quality of his presence) and willing to consider the amazing things he talks about. She goes to the townspeople, risking their derision, to tell of her encounter with him and she asks, "Could this be the Messiah?" Have we ever shared an experience of God's closeness with anyone? Might we do that sometime during Lent?

Do you recall our efforts two Lenten seasons ago to provide a PlayPump for a poor village in Malawi? I had asked for a photo once "our" pump was installed and never received one. By a bit of sleuthing online, I discovered that the company had been subsumed into a larger group called Water for People. Evidently, the PlayPumps people ran into problems: if there wasn't a school nearby, the women of the village felt silly riding the simple contraption pumping the water; some of the pumps broke down after a few years and/or didn't really meet the needs of the villagers. We should have received a letter informing us of what transpired and apologizing for the difficulties, but it never came. Water for People folks partner with local community leaders, non-governmental organizations and the local universities in Malawi, who decide which of the four types of latrines will best serve the people. They even have an entrepreneurial aspect to their efforts. A family buys a composting toilet with a loan from a sanitation entrepreneur who returns regularly to purchase, remove and sell the compost and through the exchange, the family pays off the cost of the toilet. WFP also trains local mechanics as circuit riders to maintain and repair the various types of water systems. They're online at www.waterforpeople. I sent a release to them for the use of our \$14,000. (It had been kept separately until then.) So your generous donation will still help a village in Malawi; it's just taking longer than we thought. I'll share their yearly report when I receive it.

You can help the world water crisis by drinking tap water and refilling a glass or metal bottle for your children. That will save all the energy and petroleum used in the manufacture of plastic bottles and the pollution from their transportation.

**Peace,
S. Sheral**

Here is the

2011 Centerplate Schedule for SF Giants

Thank you for participating in this important activity for Saint Robert's. It is another opportunity to meet fellow parishioners and to help support our sports, school and parish programs.

Centerplate, the company which runs the concessions at AT&T Park, had guidelines to which we must adhere.

1. No one can be under 16. Minors must have some form of id to check birthday.
2. Volunteers will carpool from St. Robert's to AT&T Park. If someone is coming from work please let us know.
3. Centerplate has strict dress policy. **All volunteers must wear full length black pants, a white shirt with collar and closed toe shoes.**

The Coordinator and Centerplate stand manager will train volunteers in food preparation, use of cash register, stand operations and cleanup. To sign up please go to www.saintroberts.org and click on Centerplate.



Day	Date	Opponent	Leaving St. Roberts	Game Time
Friday	April 8	Cardinals	8:15 am	1:35 pm
Saturday	April 9	Cardinals	1:15 pm	6:05 pm
Sunday	April 10	Cardinals	8:15 am	1:05 pm
Wednesday	April 13	Dodgers	2:45 pm	7:15 pm
Friday	May 6	Rockies	2:45 pm	7:15 pm
Sunday	May 8	Rockies	8:15 am	1:05 pm
Friday	May 20	Athletics	2:45 pm	7:15 pm
Saturday	May 21	Athletics	1:15 am	4:10 pm
Sunday	May 22	Athletics	8:15 pm	1:05 pm
Friday	June 24	Indians	2:45 pm	7:15 pm
Saturday	June 25	Indians	1:30 pm	6:05 pm
Sunday	June 26	Indians	8:15 pm	1:05 pm
Friday	July 8	Mets	2:45 pm	7:15 pm
Saturday	July 9	Mets	8:50 pm	1:10 pm
Sunday	July 10	Mets	12:00 pm	5:05 pm
Monday	July 18	Dodgers	2:45 pm	7:15 pm
Tuesday	July 19	Dodgers	2:45 pm	7:15 pm
Wednesday	July 20	Dodgers	8:00 am	12:45 pm
Thursday	August 4	Phillies	2:45 pm	7:15 pm
Saturday	August 6	Phillies	8:15 am	1:10 pm
Wednesday	August 10	Pirates	8:00 am	12:45 pm
Sunday	August 28	Astros	8:15 am	1:05 pm
Friday	September 9	Dodgers	2:45 pm	7:15 pm
Sunday	September 11	Dodgers	8:15 am	1:05 pm
Wednesday	September 28	Rockies	8:00 am	12:45 pm

