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.

This Sunday we celebrate in advance the feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz, the first Filipino saint. Officially, his feast day falls on September 28th. However, Saint Robert's Fil-Am Group has started the tradition here of honoring San Lorenzo Ruiz on a Sunday closest to September 28th. Just like the other devotions to the Blessed Virgin Mary and the saints, the Fil-Am Group starts celebrating the feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz with a novena, a nine-day prayer and reflection that focuses on the life and death of San Lorenzo Ruiz. The Fil-Am Group brings the statue of San Lorenzo Ruiz to nine households to be venerated for nine consecutive days. After the novena prayers a simple hospitality follows.

This devotion to San Lorenzo Ruiz is a recent one but has become very dear to Filipino Catholics because San Lorenzo Ruiz is the one and only saint canonized by the Church. Filipinos hope and pray that there will be more candidates for sainthood because the Philippines has been a predominantly Catholic country since the early 16th century and they have only one saint to show for it. This is not to say that Filipino Catholics would like to have more bragging rights, but they believe that there are many deserving candidates for sainthood waiting to be recognized by the Catholic Church. However, it takes a lot of time and resources to go through the process of canonization. Incidentally, a first cousin of mine, who is also a priest, has been working for quite some time now in Rome for the beatification of the first bishop of the Diocese of Lucena in the Philippines. I belonged to that diocese before coming here to San Francisco.

Lorenzo Ruiz and companions were tortured for almost a year and died as martyrs in Nagasaki, Japan in 1637. It was on September 23, 1637 that Lorenzo Ruiz began to undergo "hanging in the pit." After two days he died from bleeding and suffocation. His body was cremated and the ashes thrown into the sea. But before he was tortured to death, he was given a chance to save his life by renouncing his Christian faith. But Lorenzo Ruiz told his torturers, "I will never do it. I am a Catholic and happy to die for God. If I have a thousand lives to offer, I will offer them to God." Lorenzo Ruiz was beatified by Pope John Paul II in Manila on February 18, 1981. He was canonized on October 18, 1987 in Rome.

Let us give thanks to God for the witness of San Lorenzo Ruiz and pray that we may be inspired by him in confessing that God is first in our lives in every circumstance that we find ourselves in. Amen.

Father Obet

THE WEEK AHEAD



Monday-September 26th

Mass Intention 6:30 Thomas Callen †

8:30 Annie Nolan †

Parish Council 7:15pm Mahoney Room

<u>Tuesday-September 27th</u>

Mass Intention 6:30 Maura Wait † 8:30 Leonora Santos †

Adult Rel Ed 9:15am Mary's Chapel
Religious Education 3:30pm Church & Hall
Legion of Mary 6:30pm Library
Confirmation/Yr 1 7:00pm Hall

Wednesday-September 28th

6:30 Communion Service 8:30 Benjamin & Marita

Mass Intention 8:30 Benjamin & Marita

Gandeza †

Grownups Mtg 7:00pm Library

Thursday-September 29th

6:30 Communion Service

Mass Intention 8:30 Sharon Wright †

Friday-September 30th

Mass Intention 6:30 Maria Jambon †

8:30 Anna Delucchi †

Line Dancing 6:30pm Hall

Saturday-October 1st

Mass Intention 8:30 Sharon Wright †

4:30 Cosme Larios †

AA Mtg 10:00am Mahoney Room Euch Adoration 9:00am Church Blessing of Animals 11:00am Parking Lot Confirmation Ret. 3:00pm Offsite

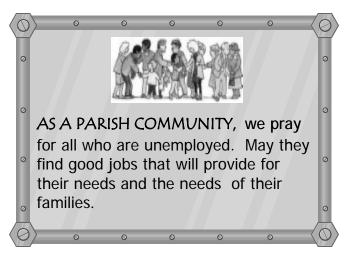
Sunday-October 2nd

Mass Intention 7:30 Angelo Cassanego †

9:30 People of St. Robert's

11:30 Ann Hall † 5:00 George Ferris †

Confirmation Ret. 3:00pm Offsite





Our sincere sympathy to the families of Peter Cerri, Deborah Lippini & Gerald Gaffney who died recently.



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

> This week we pray for Patricia Davini

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.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Francisco & Erica Madrigal & Family Roy & Cherry Briones & Family Manuel & Natalia Villegas & Family Michael & Lauren Ramirez & Family

Fr. Ring's Temporary Assignment

Fr. Ring has accepted a temporary assignment to be the Parish Administrator for St. Raymond's parish in Menlo Park. He will be there for three months from October 1st to December 31st. He is assisting the Archbishop in this assignment while they look for a new pastor for St. Raymond. Please continue to pray for priestly ordinations.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

St. Robert's Church will be celebrating the Feast of St. Francis with the annual "Blessing of the Animals" on Saturday October 1st. We invite you to bring all your pets regardless of shape or size to the parking lot at 11 am. So please join us as we sing, pray and ask God to bless the little creatures that we so love. Light refreshments will be served.

The Children's Liturgy Team





Respect for Life Group



Thank you all the "Spiritual Adoption" parents who participated in our project this year. The new baby items were taken to the New Life Center at Seton Medical Center. The staff is very appreciative of our donations that will bring comfort and joy to many new babies—a true blessing from God.

STEWARDSHIP

July 1st to Sept. 18, 2011 (goal)	117,648.00
July 1st to Sept. 18th (actual)	102,621.75
7/1/11-6/30/12 Weekly Goal	9,804.00
Collection (actual 9/18)	6,427.75

Thank you for your generous donation of \$2,624.40 to the Priest's Retirement Fund.

2011 ARCHBISHOP'S
ANNUAL APPEAL
As of 9/15/11
\$66,702.16
has been pledged.
Our goal this year is \$86,200.
Thank you in advance

for your generous donation.

MINISTER SCHEDULE/OCt 1 & 2

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet & Deacon John Eucharistic Ministers: A. Ciraulo (C)

Deacon John, T. Dachauer, S. Chester, J. Beltrano

Lectors: M. Dachauer and C. Clarke **Altar Servers:** M. Herrera and J. Nazzal

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet & Deacon Rusty
Eucharistic Ministers: R. Vassallo (C)
Deacon Rusty, R. Lahoz, B. Mullins, K. Healy

Lectors: S. Heaney and J. Moresco

Altar Servers: T. O'Halloran and D. Arellano

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Mike & Deacon Rusty
Eucharistic Ministers: L. Cesca (C)
Deacon Rusty, M. Bourne, J. Kelly, A. Solis
Lectors: M. Sanders and N. O'Reilly

Altar Servers: K. Uniacke, A. Paras and N. Dababneh **Children's Liturgy:** MaryAnn and Dan & Sandy

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet & Deacon Rusty Eucharistic Ministers: V. Valle (C)

Deacon Rusty, S. Mendendez, L. Juvero, C. Morgan

Lectors: F. Firpo and G. Peralez

Altar Servers: J. Cascino and R. Karlegan

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Mike & Deacon John Eucharistic Ministers: M. Salvato (C)

Deacon John, T. Estelita, K. Welch, G. Huddleson

Lector: G. Picazo

Altar Servers: C. Osterlund and C. Severi

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-September 26th

Readings: Zec 8:1-8 Lk 9:46-50 Tuesday-September 27th

Readings: Zec 8:20-23 Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday-September 28th

Readings: Neh 2:1-8 Lk 9:57-62

Thursday-September 29th

Readings: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 Jn 1:47-51

<u>Friday-September 30th</u>

Readings: Bar 1:15-22 Lk 10:13-16

Saturday-October 1st

Readings: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29 Lk 10:17-24

Sunday-October 2nd

Readings: Is 5:1-7 Phil 4:6-9 Mt 21:33-43

From the Pastor's Desk



The St. Robert's Parish Festival "Summer of Love" was a groovy success. Everyone had fun and many got into the spirit of the 60's and 70's with matching looks, afro hair do's and tie dye shirts. Did you see bell bottoms and platform shoes? I may have missed them. The children's performance on Friday, swinging and dancing to the 60's and 70's tunes, was highly entertaining. Once again we have proven that our community can work together and have fun in this biggest fund raising project of the parish. A million

thanks to the leadership of our festival co-chairs this year, Michael Salazar and Una Uniacke, and to the different group chairpersons and their members. As usual our construction crew did a great job in setting up the stage and the booths. I am sure that many of you got the feeling that you were in the Haight-Ashbury during the festival. Everyone has a great time and the bonus is that we raised a lot of money.

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October 16 will be "Stewardship Sunday" in our parish. I will be preaching in all masses and talk about the ministries and programs that our parish offers and also the need to support these ministries. In the next few weeks we will publish information and articles on how you can participate in these ministries and how to effectively support these programs.

Acting on Our Faith

Today's gospel is one which we can all identify Who among us hasn't received a definite with! assurance from a friend or colleague to do something for us and then has been disappointed? And to be honest, who among us hasn't found himself or herself the one who didn't follow through on a promised responsibility? Yet Jesus is speaking about something more important than this common human flaw. He is addressing the chief priests and the elders - those to whom the ordinary people held in esteem. And these people, as the rest of the passage continues, have closed their minds and hearts to the message of Jesus. We might say, they "talk the talk" but won't "walk the walk." They're supposed to be religious leaders, yet they are missing the presence of God among them in the person of Jesus.

The reading from Philippians explains the qualities we need to be open in our own lives to the presence of God: being united with others by love and common values, not acting selfishly or feeling oneself better than others, instead looking out for the good of the others. We can witness this attitude in the action of the kindergartener who takes a shier child's hand on the way up to the altar or the little one who makes room next to her for a first-timer in Little Church. How do our actions make visible our values? What might I be aware of this week as I try to put the gospel values more fully into my life?

Peace, S. Sheral





Date	Opponent	Leaving Rectory	Game Time
September 28	Rockies	8:00 am	12:45 pm
October 9	Buccaneers	8:00 am	1:00 pm
October 30	Cleveland	8:00 am	1:00 pm
November 13	NY Giants	8:00 am	1:00 pm
November 20	Arizona	8:00 am	1:00 pm
December 4	St. Louis	8:00 am	1:00 pm
December 19	Pittsburgh	12:00 pm	5:30 pm

Exercise daily -- walk with the Lord

The Lord's Prayer

The words which introduce the Lord's Prayer in the new English edition of the Roman Missal may sound dramatic: "At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching we dare to say:" Why do we "dare" to speak these words that are so familiar to us since childhood? This invitation to prayer reminds us that it was Jesus who

dared to call the Father "Abba"—a familiar form of address in Aramaic, the English equivalent of "papa." The Our Father includes petitions ! that echo ancient Hebrew prayers and echo words i n Jesus' teaching: trust in '______



REMEMBERING the WORD of GOD

"For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption, through which we cry, "Abba, Father!" (Romans 8:15)

God's care, trust in God's will, and commit to forgiveness (receiving and granting). one of the Lenten Scrutinies, Catechumens are "presented" with the Our Father because learning the Lord's Prayer is a pre-requisite to the Church's initiation rites and is an avenue to full participation. For many centuries, the celebrant alone prayed the "Pater Noster" in silence at Mass, as if to continue the idea that this prayer was one of the privileged "secrets" known only to those enjoying full membership in the Church. Today it is recited or sung aloud by the assembly with the priest.

"And the Winners Are"

General Raffle

\$2.000 Grand Prize David O'Brien \$1.000 1st Prize Bob Herriott \$750 2nd Prize Paul & Linda Ruggiero \$500 3rd Prize Claudia McHenry \$250 4th Prize Anna & Gordon King \$100 5th Prize Gina & Ron Thomson \$100 6th Prize Rhoda Young \$100 7th Prize Anna Loftus

High Rollers

\$2,000- Bernard Murphy \$1,000-Eileen & John Grealish \$500- Joanne Magrini \$500 Bob Marshall SR. \$500 Isaac Mejia



Thank each you to Parent, Parishioner, and Friend who baked for the Festival Cake Booth. It is because of You the booth was an amazing sucess. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Dina Thompson

The Festival Chairs would like to thank the entire Parish for working so hard to make this year's festival a success. greatly appreciate your giving of time and talent and donations.

Una and Michael



Thank God It's Friday Benefit Event

September 30th (6:30 - 9:30 pm) **Hennesy Hall**



This special event is open to all parishioner and friends of St. Robert's church in celebration of thanks for God's everyday blessing. In lieu of class fee valued at \$10 per attendee, you may donate as much as you like to St. Roberts Church to benefits its various charities and ministries. Please join us and catch all the fun and excitement as we line dance for health and enjoyment - and start the weekend on a high party note.

Line Dancing is for fun and for exercise - open to all ages that enjoy dancing! Get lively, move with confidence, and stay fit while having fun with or without a partner. Learn the various forms of American Line Dancing., slide, country line, flowing waltz, boogie, cha-cha, tango, rumba, foxtrot, salsa shuffle, mambo, samba, shimmy, bachata, bossanova and more! You will be surprised with the music variety we dance to!

> **Pre-Registration is requested. For more information please contact.** Allen Isidro at (650) 515 - 2320 Vallentino@netzero.net St. Robert's Rectory Office at (650) 589 - 2800