SAINT ROBERTIS 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 Gospel this weekend is about the power of touch. I was very conscious last weekend and this week about who I touched. I love to shake hands as a greeting. But was it the wise thing to do.

We've all heard of the Norovirus and how it has affected some of our parish family. This virus is spread by touch. If you have the virus and you touch something, that virus can spread for up to 3 days. Luckily all those with whom I shared a handshake last weekend neither gave nor received this virus.

This is the same fears that the Leper and the people of the time of Jesus felt. Don't dare touch them! Yet this is how Jesus heals. He touches people or they touch him. Sharing a touch is so important. Holding the hand of a dying or seriously ill person can be so comforting. Sometimes a hug works when words don't.

I hope that I'm never in a situation where I'm afraid to reach out and touch or be touched by someone. My mother was one who did not like to shake hands at Mass, so I have to be considerate of those who do not share my reasoning. If you're comfortable, (ask first, than) reach out and touch someone with the healing compassionate I o v e o f G o d .

Deacon Rusty Duffey

# **Envelopes Missing in Packet**

The second collection next weekend is for the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal.
Unfortunately the envelope was not included in your regular packet. Extra envelopes are available in the vestibule of the church.

### **End of Year Tax Statements**

If you would like a letter regarding your 2011 donations please call the Rectory at (650) 589-2800.

## THE WEEK AHEAD



# Monday-February 13th

Mass Intention 6:30 All Souls †

8:30 Steven Morena †

Women's Guild Mtg 6:30pm Hall St. Vincent de Paul 7:00pm Mahoney Room

### Tuesday-February 14th

Mass Intention 6:30 Michael Dowd † 8:30 Kathleen Sullivan †

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

## Wednesday-February 15th

Mass Intention 8:30 Captain Enrique Faicol †

# Thursday-February 16th

Mass Intention 8:30 Deceased Members

Of Legion of Mary †

School Board Mtg. 7:00pm Mahoney Room

# Friday-February 17th

Mass Intention 6:30 Darlene Steen † 8:30 Marie Dalgarno †

Line Dancing 6:30pm Hall

### Saturday-February 18th

Mass Intention 8:30 Daniel English † 4:30 Sharon Wright †

AA Meeting 10:00am Mahoney Rm Grief Consolation 3:00pm Convent

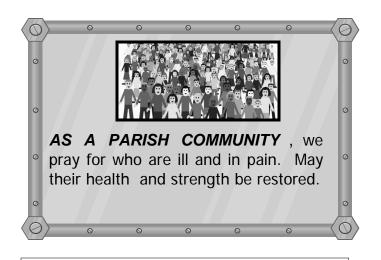
# Sunday-February 19th

Mass Intention 7:30 Domenico Cotroneo †
9:30 People of St. Robert's
11:30 Tom Dempsey †
5:00 Richard Sarro †

### **Mark Your Calendars!**

Knowing how busy we all can become, here are some coming events you'll want to mark now so you won't miss them:

- **-Feb. 22**, Ash Wednesday: Masses at 6:30 am, 8:30 am (with the school community) and 6 pm.
- -Mar. 20/21: Parish Mission with John Angotti, musician and speaker.
- **-Mar. 24:** 5 pm Midnight, Parish Dinner Dance at South City Conference Center.



# WE CONGRATULATE THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Catherine Elizabeth Corral Esteban Antonio Garay Benavides King Darius McDaniel Lulu-Lakioleolaga Sapinozo Moafanua

Our sincere sympathy to the families of Jerry Kelleher , Tosca Marchi & Gerrold Kollmann

# When Someone Is Ill

If you're aware of a parishioner who is homebound, in the hospital or in rehab, please be sure to let Sr. Patricia know. She can be reached at posullivan3@juno.com or at 589-0104. She'd rather hear twice than not at all. Thank you.

# STEWARDSHIP

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Thank you for your generous Christmas donations of \$29,200

Thank you for your generous donation of \$1,940.75 to our School, CCD and Confirmation Programs.

### **Sign up for E-Contributions**

Go to www.saintroberts.org and click on the e-contributions button.

There is no cost to you for this service.

### **WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS**

Matt & Marcie Canty
William & Patricia Toomey & Family
Barbara Crawford
Jakob & Olga Petri & Family
Nathan & Cassandra Fabel & Family
Diane Etcheverry
Ocean Embody & Salina Tuvera & 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.

### **CONSOLATION MINISTRY**

Saint Robert's Grief Support Group's next meetings will be on Saturday, February 18th & March 3rd, 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.

### **RESPECT FOR LIFE**

The 40 Days for Life campaign will kick off on Wednesday, February 22 and end on Sunday, April 1. If you are available, come to Planned Parenthood, 35 Baywood Ave., San Mateo during the hours of 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and pray the rosary. Details are on the flyers posted in the vestibule of the church. For further information, please contact Mary Nunnery at 588-6349.

# Strides for Life Colon Cancer Foundation

9th Annual Dinner Dance & Auction March 3, 2012 @ Junipero Serra High School For more information please call (650) 692-3700

# MINISTER SCHEDULE/Feb 18 & 19

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

Presider: Fr. Obet

**Eucharistic Ministers: C. Holland (C)** 

N. Jussaume, T. Dachauer, D. Hageman, M. Murphy

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

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

Presider: Fr. Mike

**Eucharistic Ministers: B. Mullins (C)** A. Doherty, C. Noce, M. Noce, F. Reyes **Lectors:** A. Cotroneo and A. Reyes

Altar Servers: A. Blumenthal and K. Blumenthal

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

Presider: Fr. Ring

**Eucharistic Ministers: R. Valdez (C)** K. Semenza, J. Sexton, R. Mercado, A. Solis

Lectors: J. Valdes and J. Shick

**Altar Servers**: C. Shick, C. Peterson and M. Redmond **Children's Liturgy**: MaryAnn and Sandy & Danny

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

Presider: Fr. Mike

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Giusti (C)

D. Soetanto, N. Bamba, H. Mantler, R. Benavente

**Lector:** H. Beck and M. Benavente

Altar Servers: R. Benavente and M. McAlorum

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

Presider: Fr. Obet

**Eucharistic Ministers: M. Dowden (C)** M. Elmore, M. Mahoney, D. Torres, K. Welch

**Lectors:** G. Picazo and B. Torres **Altar Servers:** C. Severi and A. Stines

### **WEEKLY READINGS**

Monday-February 13th

Readings: Jas 1:1-11 Mk 8:11-13 Tuesday-February 14th

Readings: Jas 1:12-18 Mk 8:14-21 Wednesday-February 15th

Readings: Jas 1:19-27 Mk 8:22-26

Thursday-February 16th

Readings: Jas 2:1-9 Mk 8:27-33 Friday-February 17th

Readings: Jas 2:14-24, 26 Mk 8:34—9:1 Saturday–February 18th

Readings: Jas 3:1-10 Mk 9:2-13
Sunday-February 19th

Readings: Is 43:18-19, 21-25 2 Cor 1:18-22 Mk 2:1-12

Today's gospel has some wonderful aspects to it. The leper asks Jesus, "If you wish, you can make me clean." He has great faith to ask and clearly sets a choice before Jesus. Jesus is moved with pity, touches him – forbidden by the Jewish purity laws – and cleanses him immediately. Jesus could care less about being considered impure, though he then becomes unable to enter the synagogue. This man is more important than any law; Jesus always wants fullness of life for everyone. The leper needs to show himself to the priest and make an offering so that he'll be welcomed back into the synagogue and into the local community. "See that you tell no one," may sound strange to us, but the closing lines of this passage explain why. Jesus doesn't want people following him merely to be cured of their illnesses, but to hear his message. The Kingdom of God is at hand.

Yet, who can blame the leper? His life had been spent outside the community, begging for food, probably with most people presuming he or his parents had sinned, so he deserved to be shunned. Jesus has literally given him his life back. And who do we shun? Is there an individual or a group of persons whom we've relegated to the status of lepers? Might we wish to make them "clean" through the Spirit's changing of our hearts?

Peace, S. Sheral



# Congratulations to the Winners of the Super Bowl Raffle

\$1,500

Mark Gamble Dan Murphy Isaac Mejia

\$750.00

Mike Salvato Sue Cordes Mike Conroy Bob Marshall Sr. Sharon Aiello

\$375.00

Paul Barsanti John Scaduto



The St. Robert's Women's Guild invites all women to our February meeting.

We will be serving Mexican Food from La Tapatia, so please remember to RSVP. Come and play some bingo (cash prizes). Bring a friend or two! You can play a couple of games or just sit back and chat with your friends, either way; we would love to have you!



At this meeting, the uniform exchange program would like to clear out what they have in storage and give away uniforms such as shorts, pants, sweatshirts, etc... You do not need to bring any uniforms to exchange. All items will be given out on a first come basis.

The class with the most represented moms, grandma's, etc. will win a special prize.

Monday, February 13, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. (Hennessy Hall) Dinner \$12.00 (Open Bar) Does not include raffle tickets

RSVP to: <a href="mailto:srwomensguild@yahoo.com">srwomensguild@yahoo.com</a>

If you see Mrs. Wright or Mrs. Firpo, say "Bingo" and you will receive a free raffle ticket.

# **Dinner Dance**

Dinner Dance Tickets will be on sale after 9:30, 11:30 and 5:00 masses every Sunday or you can purchase them by contacting Carolyn Uroz at (650) 302-8850 or Christina Gaines at (650) 873-5616.



# Thank God It's Friday Benefit Event

February 17th, (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 blessinga: In lieu of class fee valued at \$10 per attendee, you may donate as much as you like to St. Roberts Church to benefit 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



# THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN FRANCISCO

OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

ONE PETER YORKE WAY, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94109-6602 (415) 614-5500

February 9, 2012

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I write to you concerning an alarming and serious matter that negatively impacts the Church in the United States directly, and that strikes at the fundamental right to religious liberty for all citizens of any faith.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services promulgated a new and radical interpretation of religious freedom last week when it announced new regulations regarding health insurance coverage of reproductive services which will be mandatory for employers in the United States.

For the first time in federal law, the government has determined that religious institutions such as Catholic hospitals, Catholic Charities and Catholic Relief Services are not truly religious employers because they do not have as their primary purpose "the inculcation of religious values" and do not primarily limit their services to those of their own faith.

In other words, the religious activities of our Catholic hospitals, our social services to the poor, and our outreach to the hurting and the marginalized in our society are not truly religious activities protected by the first amendment because they enshrine the Catholic belief -- shared by virtually every religious community in the United States -- that religious communities are called to reach out to feed the poor, shelter the homeless, and heal the sick precisely as a religious activity.

The implications of this insidious new legal and policy principle, if allowed to stand, are chilling. Once it is accepted that religious institutions that serve the poor, the sick and the elderly do not enjoy the full protections of religious liberty, future administrations could compel religious hospitals and service organization to pay for insurance and

other policies that mandate abortion or euthanasia. In addition, such a principle would likely create crises of conscience for religious institutions of virtually every faith, so that over time they would be forced out of the mainstream of the social fabric.

We cannot - we will not - accept this unjust redrafting of the principle of religious liberty which our Founders so rightly saw as an inalienable gift of God. People of faith cannot be made second class citizens. And faith based service to those in need in our society cannot be classified as non-religious by our national government. We are already joined by our brothers and sisters of many other faiths as well as others of good will in this important effort to regain our religious freedom. Indeed, many journalists across the political spectrum, both supporters and opponents of the present administration, have called for a reversal of this policy.

Therefore, I ask for your help. Please email or write the White House and your representative in congress to call for a reversal of this new regulation. The addresses are listed on the attached sheet. Finally, please join me in prayer for our Church and for the wider religious community engaged in this struggle.

May God bless you and your family, and keep you always in His loving care.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Leone Niederauer

Most Reverend George Niederauer Archbishop of San Francisco

Enclosure

MESSAGE: Please reverse the HHS Regulation on "Preventive Service: Health Plan Coverage Guidelines" because it violates Religious Freedom.

MENSAJE: Por favor, invierta la regulación de HHS sobre "Servicio Preventivo: Instrucciones sobre la Cobertura del Plan de Salud", porque viola la libertad religiosa.

### President Barack Obama

The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20500

Comments: 202-456-1111

Switchboard: 202-456-1414

Fax: 202-456-2461

### Email <a href="http://www.whitehouse.gov/">http://www.whitehouse.gov/</a>

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