

Saint Robert's Church



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Mr. Kevin Imbimbo

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.

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.

Dear Friends,

The sun is shining brightly this morning. It is too chilly for Gene's white butterfly to come out of wherever butterflies snuggle down for the winter. But, as always, I feel Gene's presence here with me as I sit in his big blue chair, sipping candy cane tea. I ask him to give me some thoughts as I write to you today.

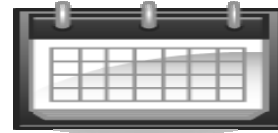
My eyes wander to Gene's beautiful wood-carved nativity scene on our buffet. I feel Mary and Joseph's love surrounding and embracing their new-born baby boy. The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph has always been an inspiration to us. We were both blessed with loving, faith-filled Moms and Dads who taught us about Jesus from early childhood on and, through their good example, all the days of their lives. Betty and Charlie May and Mel and Joe McKeever created for us and for our sisters and brothers a warm, happy, safe and secure home. We knew that it was here that we belonged and here is where we were unconditionally loved. We also knew that we are **"the children of God"** and, as such, we can have an intimate personal relationship with Him. We can speak to Him as we would to our best friend and listen for His answer. He loves each of us individually in a very special way. We are never alone for God, Our Father, has placed His Holy Spirit within us. Each one of us is an important part of His Holy Family.

My Mom often told us the story of Jesus lost in the temple. She explained how very frightening it is for a Mom and Dad to lose sight of their child even for a few minutes. She knew that Mary's heart was pierced with dread at the thought of what might have happened to her Jesus. Mary leaned upon her husband Joseph's strength and wisdom as he led her all the way back to Jerusalem. Mom leaned upon Dad's strength and wisdom along their life's journey; as did Dad upon hers. Mom couldn't figure how it took them three days to find Jesus since they discovered He wasn't with them on the first evening of their return home. She guessed they must have knocked on every door; searched every house and barn and looked behind every tree, rock and bush along the way. Mom smiled in delight when she told how Mary and Joseph found Jesus, **"in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers."**

Our parents' secret to a happy, holy life is this: **"Believe in the Name of His Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as He commanded us."** This, they did and we can do it too! During this New Year ---"The Year of Faith" --- may you seek and find Jesus deep within your heart. May your home overflow with His peace, His joy and His love!

Anna May

THE WEEK AHEAD



Monday-December 31st

(NEW YEAR'S EVE)

Mass Intention 6:30 Bernadette Johnston †
 8:30 Robert Haskins

Tuesday-January 1st

(NEW YEAR'S DAY)

Mass Intention 9:30 People of St. Robert's

Wednesday-January 2nd

Mass Intention 8:30 Isaac Mejia †
Grief Support 9:00am Mary's Chapel
Youth Group 6:00pm Hall

Thursday-January 3rd

Mass Intention 8:30 Paul & Rosina Vella †

Friday-January 4th

Mass Intention 6:30 Ting K. Louie †
 8:30 Michael David Yanke †

Saturday-January 5th

Mass Intention 8:30 Margie Owen †
 4:30 Brian Cotter †
Euch Adoration 9:00am Church
AA Mtg 10:00am Mahoney Room
Grief Consolation 3:00pm Convent

Sunday-January 6th

Mass Intention 7:30 People of St. Robert's
 9:30 Jeannot Arbelbide †
 11:30 Carmen Capella †
 5:00 Linda Mahoney †

Happy New Year
Saint Robert's Parish staff
wishes all of you and your families a
Prosperous New Year!

THE **PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED**
December 31st & January 1st



AS A PARISH COMMUNITY, We pray that parents be steadfast in their love for each other and for their children. For single-parent families that our parish family gives them the support, encouragement and love they need.

Our sincere sympathy to the families of
 Pastor Richard Pisik from
 First Baptist Church in San Bruno &
 Adoracion Schaba Quiambao



STEWARDSHIP

Sunday collection figures for the weekends of
 December 16th, 23rd & 30th
 will be posted in the January 6th bulletin.

2012 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

As of 11/15/12 \$77,953.40
 has been pledged.

Our goal this year is \$83,000

Thank you in advance

for your generous donation



Saint Robert's Men's Club

& Women's Guild

invite you to a joint meeting

Friday, January 11th

6:00 p.m. Hennessy Hall

Dinner: \$20

(includes raffle & open bar)

RSVP: srwomensguild@yahoo.com

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who helped to clean and decorate the church, to the celebrants, homilists, choirs, Eucharistic ministers, lectors and ushers who made our Christmas celebration so beautiful. May the light of Christ guide our steps in the coming year and make straight the paths of those seeking hope! S. Sheral

OUR NEW PASTOR'S INSTALLATION

Bishop William Justice will formally install our new Pastor, Fr. Greene, at the 9:30 am Mass on Sunday, January 13th. It will be on the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, commemorating when Jesus began his ministry. There will be a simple reception following the Mass at Hennessy Hall.

Congratulations Fr. Greene

KINDERGARTEN

APPLICATIONS ~ 2013-2014

Information and applications for Kindergarten will be available on Monday, January 7th at www.saintrobert-school.org. Please personally bring completed Kindergarten applications for the 2013-2014 school year to the school office January 7th through February 1st from 8:30a.m. – 2:00p.m. Your child must be 5 years of age by September 1, 2013. Please be sure to include with your child's application, a copy of their birth and baptismal certificates, social security card, a family picture, and the application fee. Thank you for your interest in our school!

OPEN HOUSE

St. Robert School will hold its annual Open House on Thursday evening, January 31st from 7:00 p.m. – 8:00p.m. All are welcome!

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

St. Robert School, mindful of its mission to be witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students of any race, color and national and/or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at this school. St. Robert School does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color and national and/or ethnic origin in administration of education policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, athletic and other school administered programs.

GIFTS TO THE HOMEBOUND

Your love has brought joy to so many of our sisters and brothers who are confined to their homes or to nursing facilities. The smiles on their faces when we handed them your gifts warmed our hearts as well. Please know that, when you reached out to them, you were Jesus' heart and Jesus' hands. Thank you for your love.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Pope Benedict declared this "The Year of Faith". Spending time with Jesus in silent prayer can help us to grow in faith and bring us closer to Him. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in our Church, on **Saturday, January 5th, following the 8:30AM Mass and will continue until Benediction at 10:00AM.** Come! Receive the peace that only Jesus can give!

MINISTER SCHEDULE/Jan 5th & 6th

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Hanley (C)
Deacon, D. Hageman, S. Chester, D. Interdonato
Lectors: C. Aveson and M. Dachauer
Altar Servers: N. Medina and K. Brown

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Vassallo (C)
Deacon, J. Aldinger, C. Noce, M. Noce
Lectors: T. Clifford and L. Clifford
Altar Servers: B. Borghello and J. Thomson

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Eucharistic Ministers: L. Cesca (C)
Deacon, T. Jones, M. Bourne, Z. Tamayo
Lectors: J. Co and J. Shick
Altar Servers: A. Stines, A. Paras and M. Redmond

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Giusti (C)
Deacon, H. Mantler, A. Reid, J. Mallia
Lectors: F. Firpo and H. Beck
Altar Servers: S. O'Halloran and M. King

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Eucharistic Ministers: D. Ferris (C)
Deacon, A. Ferris, K. Beltrano, T. Estelita
Lectors: N. Buencamino and G. Picazo
Altar Servers: E. Estelita and N. Estelita

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-December 31st

Readings: 1 Jn 2:18-21 Jn 1:1-18

Tuesday-January 1st

Readings: Nm 6:22-27 Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21

Wednesday-January 2nd

Readings: 1 Jn 2:22-28 Jn 1:19-28

Thursday-January 3rd

Readings: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6 Jn 1:29-34

Friday-January 4th

Readings: 1 Jn 3:7-10 Jn 1:35-42

Saturday-January 5th

Readings: 1 Jn 3:11-21 Jn 1:43-51

Sunday-January 6th

Readings: Is 60:1-6 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12