

# Saint Robert's Church

Dec 27, 2015

## ST. ROBERT'S PARISH

**NEW YEAR'S DAY  
SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD  
Friday, January 1, 2016**

Mass at 9:30 a.m. only

**FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY  
Saturday, January 2nd**  
4:30 p.m.

**Sunday, January 3rd**  
7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m.  
11:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.



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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 Day Masses: 8:30 am and 6:00 pm

**Weekdays:** Masses are 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 Parishioners,

Last Sunday, we heard people from various professions asking John the Baptist what they should do in response to his passionate message. He responds with practical actions: If you have two coats, share one; if you have food, do likewise.

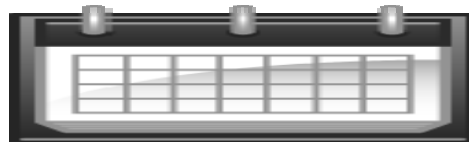
Sunday's gospel, the Visitation, is God at work, amazingly this time! Two pregnant women – one too old; the other too young and unmarried – both carrying within them children who will change the future of the world! Cousins living at a distance, 60 miles perhaps, which the younger one will travel on donkey or on foot (probably with a friend or two) to be companion to her much older cousin who will need her assistance. What a fascinating conversation they must have had! As their children grow, what separate journeys they take: John in the desert, dressed like a wild man eating strange food and railing against injustice and the blind guides among some of the Pharisees; Jesus being too ordinary, eating with sinners, proclaiming human beings as more important than the Sabbath laws.

And God is still surprising us, if we have eyes to see, even in the midst of ISIS and fear and hate speech. Go online to CCN Heroes, shown last week, to hear of the high school boys dedicating their Saturdays to repairing computers for poor families who cannot afford them; and the high school graduate who went to Nepal and 10 years later is mother to 50 children for whom she has also started and funded a school. The most all-inclusive and far-reaching climate change action has been agreed to by rich and poor countries alike. As last Sunday's second reading proclaimed: "The Lord is near."

Also, please as you pray for me, include in your prayers at least two other parishioners also having chemo as well as all the people who don't have healthcare or insurance and therefore, no access to treatment.

Thank you.  
S. Sheral

## THE WEEK AHEAD



### **Monday-December 28th**

Mass Intention 8:30 Mary Glaude †

### **Tuesday-December 29th**

Mass Intention 8:30 Carmen Borg †  
***Legion of Mary 6:30pm Library***

### **Wednesday-December 30th**

Mass Intention 8:30 Mary Shick †

### **Thursday-December 31st**

Mass Intention 8:30 Tom Dachauer †

### **Friday-January 1st**

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

### **Saturday-January 2nd**

Mass Intention 8:30 Rosalie Bianchi  
Skefich †  
4:30 Edmond Giovannoni †  
***AA Mtg 10:00am Mahoney Room***

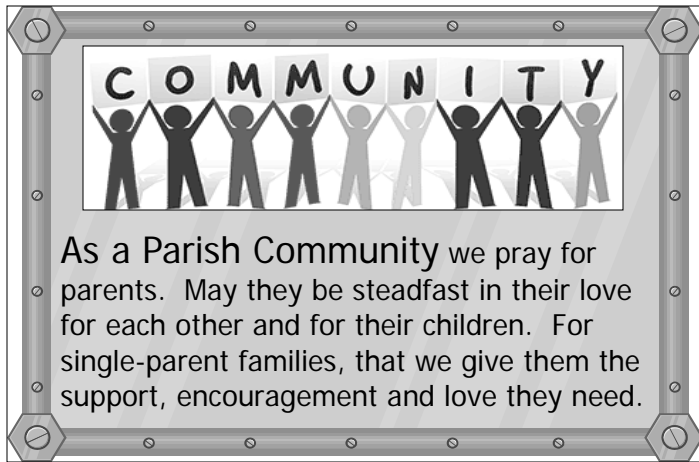
### **The Feast of the Epiphany**

You'll recall that every year on the Feast of the Epiphany we celebrate the fact that Jesus' coming was for everyone, symbolized by the coming of the Magi from distant countries.

How blest we are to mirror that reality of Epiphany on the weekend of January 2/3, with the presence of our parishioners from almost every country! We'll pray for the home countries of all of our parishioners, especially the Philippines which have weathered such dangerous typhoons and Palestine and Syria which continue to experience much death and destruction. In the Epiphany gospel, the "magi from the east" came, following a star. Let us pray also for a spirit of openness to the new immigrants coming, following their dreams of a decent life for their families.

Please e-mail me at [sheralmar@saintroberts.org](mailto:sheralmar@saintroberts.org). Thank you. S. Sheral

The Parish Office will be closed  
December 31st. We will reopen on  
Monday, January 4th.



*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***  
**Jean Bisagno**  
**Terry Campbell**  
**Lester Leanart Carlson**  
**Gianna DeMartini**  
**John Dracco**  
**Sandra Dill**  
**Fr. Michael Konopik**  
**Destiny Pelayo**  
**Lorraine Rogers**

**Thanks**

Christmas Collection We are grateful to all of you who contributed toward our Christmas Collection. You help us keep our church and school open and in good repair. May God bless you all.

**MANY THANKS**

Thanks to all of you who attended our Christmas celebrations. Our children & adult choir, and those who were in the nativity play. Thanks to all who helped decorate the Church, all who served as Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Servers, greeters and all who donated for the Christmas flowers. God Bless you and Happy New Year. Fr. John L. Greene

**STEWARDSHIP**

The donation figures for December 20th & 27th will be posted in the January 10th bulletin.

**2015 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

As of 12/20/15 Amount Pledged \$90,181.05  
 Total Cash Donations To Date \$85,014.80  
 Archdiocese tax for 2015 \$95,600.00

***Thank you in advance for your generous donation.***

Please remember Saint Robert's Church when making a will or trust.

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**Giving Tree**

Thanks to all in the parish who donated toys, clothes and gift cards to our annual Giving Tree project. You should all be proud of the generosity of our community. Thanks to you we were able to brighten the Christmas mornings of hundreds of children and their families right here in San Mateo County. Like last year, we focused our giving to local charities that aid families in transition and trouble.

**THANK YOU EVERYBODY!**

Your Children's Liturgy Team Gus Ben Teri, Haydee, Esperanza, Nubia, Lisa, Paola, Christine, Greg and Beth

**Kindergarten Applications  
 2016-2017**

Information and applications for Kindergarten are available now at [www.saintrobert-school.org](http://www.saintrobert-school.org). Please personally bring completed Kindergarten applications for the 2016-2017 school year to the school office through January 19th from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Your child must be 5 years of age by September 1, 2016. Please be sure to include with your child's application, a copy of their birth and baptismal certificates, a family picture, and the application fee. Thank you for your interest in our school!

**OPEN HOUSE**

Saint Robert School will hold its annual Open House on Thursday evening, February 4<sup>th</sup> 2016, from 7:00p.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.



Happy New Year from Fr. Greene, the Sisters, the Deacons and all the staff at St. Robert's.

# MINISTER SCHEDULE/JAN 2ND & 3RD

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

**Presider: Fr. Greene**

**Euch Ministers: Katie B.**

Deacon, Albert C., Marie N., Rob A.

**Lectors: Carol B. and Cathy A.**

**Altar Servers:**

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

**Presider: Fr. Stewart**

**Euch Ministers: Marcela S.**

Deacon, Brian M., Kathy H., Tom M.

**Lectors: Janet A., Alexandra C.**

**Altar Servers:**

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

**Presider: Fr. Stewart**

**Euch Ministers: MaryAnn S.**

Deacon, Mary B., Tracey J., Zulma T.

**Lectors: Jim S. and Jen C.**

**Children's Liturgy: Paola**

**Altar Servers:**

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

**Presider: Fr. Greene**

**Euch Ministers: Marie S.**

Deacon, Charlie A., Joyce M., Rose B.

**Lectors: Thelma T. and Carmen P.**

**Altar Servers:**

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

**Presider: Fr. Stewart**

**Euch Ministers: Mary D.**

Deacon, Andy F., Donna F., Marci E.

**Lectors: Neil B. and Sr. Sheral**

**Altar Servers:**

## **WEEKLY READINGS**

### **Monday-December 28th**

Readings: 1 Jn 1:5—2.2 Mt 2:13-18

### **Tuesday-December 29th**

Readings: 1 Jn 2:3-11 Lk 2:22-35

### **Wednesday-December 30th**

Readings: 1 Jn 2:12-17 Lk 2:36-40

### **Thursday- December 31st**

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

### **Friday-January 1st**

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

### **Saturday-January 2nd**

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

### **Sunday-January 3rd**

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