

# Saint Robert's Church

February 2, 2020



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Deacon John Meyer, Pastoral Associate  
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#### **PUBLIC SCHOOL RELIGION CLASSES (CCD) - 588-0477**

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#### **PARISH MUSIC MINISTRY – 589-2800**

Mr. Kevin Imbimbo

#### **PARISH SCHOOL - 583-5065**

#### **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,

Today's Feast of the Presentation marks the day when Mary and Joseph went up to the temple to honor the Jewish ritual of purification of a mother after childbirth. Epiphany celebrates the coming of Christ to the Magi who were Gentiles; Jesus' presentation in the temple is his manifestation to his own people as well as to the Gentiles. This passage is only found in Luke and is worth re-reading at home; it's chapter 2, verses 22-40.

It is fascinating that the reality of who this Child really is becomes recognized by two ordinary people, advanced in age, faithful and trusting in God's promise of a Savior - "the consolation of Israel" - as Simeon puts it. It isn't to a priest or a Pharisee that the Holy Spirit makes the promise that he would see the Christ before his death, but to this simple, holy man.

Simeon's lovely prayer of thanks to God is used by priests and religious women and men in our night prayer: "Now, Lord, let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all people, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and glory for your people Israel."

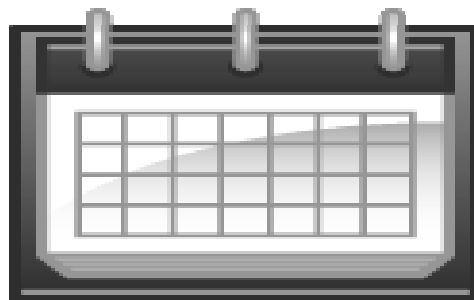
Amazement strikes Mary and Joseph on hearing this. Simeon then tells Mary of the pain she will experience because of Jesus. Anna, an elderly, holy woman comes upon the scene and speaks of this Child to everyone she knows. What must it have been like for a young couple to hear all his about their baby, just a bit over a month old? Surely, they had some sense of how special this child was in the plan of God, but it must have been overwhelming to hear all this.

Remember that when he was 12, he stayed behind in Jerusalem for three days when each of his parents thought he was with the other. (Children younger than 12 travelled with their mothers; older than 12 with their fathers, thus, the confusion!)

Wouldn't we love to know more about their experience of Jesus' growing up than Luke's words that he "became strong, filled with wisdom, and the favor of God was upon him"? What great faith they must have had to continue to believe that God would be with them as this strange divine plan unfolded! May Mary and Joseph intercede for us to grow in our faith as we witness God's action, sometimes difficult to discern, in the children and grandchildren we love.

Peace, Sr. Sheral

## THE WEEK AHEAD



### **Monday-February 3rd**

Mass Intention	8:30	Richard Quintana †
<b><i>Men's Club</i></b>	<b><i>6:00pm</i></b>	<b><i>Hall</i></b>

### **Tuesday-February 4th**

Mass Intention	8:30	John Monet †
<b><i>Rel Ed (Gr. 1-5)</i></b>	<b><i>3:30pm</i></b>	<b><i>Hall &amp; Church</i></b>
<b><i>Legion of Mary</i></b>	<b><i>6:30pm</i></b>	<b><i>Rectory</i></b>
<b><i>Rel Ed (Jr. High)</i></b>	<b><i>7:00pm</i></b>	<b><i>Hall &amp; Church</i></b>

### **Wednesday-February 5th**

Mass Intention	8:30	Victor Grech †
<b><i>Choir Practice</i></b>	<b><i>7:00pm</i></b>	<b><i>Church</i></b>
<b><i>RCIA</i></b>	<b><i>7:00pm</i></b>	<b><i>Rectory</i></b>

### **Thursday-February 6th**

Mass Intention	8:30	Bob Castro †
<b><i>Grief Consolation</i></b>	<b><i>9:15am</i></b>	<b><i>Church</i></b>
<b><i>Children's Choir</i></b>	<b><i>3:00pm</i></b>	<b><i>Hall</i></b>
<b><i>Dinner Dance Mtg</i></b>	<b><i>7:00pm</i></b>	<b><i>Hall</i></b>

### **Friday-February 7th**

Mass Intention	8:30	Jean Bisagno †
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### **Saturday-February 8th**

Mass Intention	8:30	Helen Morrison †
	4:30	Natalia & Rosa Cadematori †
<b><i>AA Meeting</i></b>	<b><i>10:00am</i></b>	<b><i>Mahoney Room</i></b>
<b><i>Blood Drive</i></b>	<b><i>All Day</i></b>	<b><i>Hall</i></b>



**As a community of faith**, we pray that all children everywhere grow in the strength of knowing that they are totally loved by God and by their family.

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 prayers, please call the Rectory at 589-2800

***This week we pray for***



- Kevin Bohn
- Jose Antonio
- Diana Costanzo
- Rafael Flores
- Bob Lockwood
- Barbara Massini
- Anna May May
- Joan Murphy
- Mario Nardi
- Bob O'Donnell
- Sister Patricia
- Francisca Perez
- Jennie Stewart
- K. Maafu Tuuhetoka

**Our sincere sympathy to the families of**



- Angelito Cruz
  - Frank Seydel, III
- who died recently**

**STEWARDSHIP**

July 1st to January 26th (goal)	300,000.00
July 1st to January 26th (actual) (including E Contributions)	269,408.25
7/1/19—6/30/20 Weekly (Goal)	10,000.00
Weekly Collection (actual 1/26)	7,067.38
(E Cont for month of December)	9,226.00
<b>Thank you for your generosity</b>	

Thank you for your generous donation of **\$2,345.56** to the Church of Latin America.

**2019 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

As of 01/02/20

Archdiocese tax Due	\$ 119,261.00
Total Pledges	\$ 119,261.00
Total Donations to Date	\$ 119,261.00

***We made it!***

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

**SCAM ALERT**

Some of our parishioner and volunteers are receiving text and emails allegedly from **Fr. Greene** asking for gift cards to help a friend of his that has cancer. This is a scam, Fr. Greene or any of the staff, will never ask for money or gift cards for anyone. Do not reply to these false requests and do not purchase gift cards to give to them.

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

Would you like to donate flowers for the altar in memory of a loved one or for a birthday or anniversary?

The name or occasion will be highlighted in the bulletin for the week you make the donation for the flowers. For dates and more information, please call the parish office at 589-2800.

***IF YOU ARE NEW TO ST. ROBERT'S***

Welcome! We're a very diverse parish with people from many countries of origin – Registration forms are in the vestibule or you can register online at [saintroberts.org](http://saintroberts.org). Fill out a registration form and drop it either in the collection basket, the mail, or at the parish office.

If you'd like to know more about what we have going on, please go to our website or contact Sr. Sheral at 650-589-2800 or [sheralmar@saintroberts.org](mailto:sheralmar@saintroberts.org). We are happy to have you with us!

**GIVE ELECTRONICALLY**

St. Robert's relies on the financial support of its parishioners and the electronic giving program offers convenience for you, and provides much needed donation consistency for our Parish. To give electronically, visit [www.saintroberts.org](http://www.saintroberts.org) and click on the link to sign up.

Thank you for your generous Christmas donation of **\$48,451.69**

**2019 TAXES**

If you would like a letter regarding your 2019 donations, please call the Rectory at (650) 589-2800.

## ***ADDITION TO E-CONTRIBUTIONS***

The Electronic Giving Program at St. Robert's has added "St. Vincent de Paul" to the list of donations. This program offers convenience for you and provides the much-needed donation consistency for our Parish. To give electronically, visit [www.saintroberts.org](http://www.saintroberts.org) and click on the link to sign up.

### ***Have A Bit of Time to Give to the Parish?***

If you do, we'd like to invite you to consider an opportunity to be of great service to our parish by doing some small, but importance tasks. You may have heard of the Marthas, a group of women (but men would be welcome!) who keep the altar, sanctuary and sacristy areas clean as well as washing and ironing the linens used for Mass and keeping the altar servers' robes presentable. They do their tasks in teams of two, according to each one's availability and serve one month of the year. If this sounds like something which intrigues you, or which you might even enjoy, please contact Anna May May at 589-7087. Service hours gladly given. Thank you for even considering this!

## American Red Cross



Community Blood Drive  
St. Robert's Catholic School & Church

Hennessy Hall  
345 Oak Avenue

Saturday, February 8, 2020  
8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Walk-ins are welcome—there are some appointments left for those who wish not to wait!

Any questions,  
contact Laurie Scribner 650-619-9606

# MINISTER SCHEDULE/FEB 8TH & 9TH

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

**President: Fr. Boie**

**Eucharistic Ministers: Rob A. (C)**

Albert C., Barbara R., Judy S., Katie B.

**Lectors: Paul S. and Cathy A.**

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

**President: Fr. Greene**

**Eucharistic Ministers: Marcela S. (C)**

Kevin M., Kevin T.M., Tricia P.

**Lectors: Janet A. and JoMarie M.**

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

**President: Fr. Greene**

**Eucharistic John V. (C)**

Karen M., Ruby V., Sam M., Trish C.

**Lectors: Scout Sunday**

**Children's Liturgy: Jenna and Cyndy**

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

**President: Fr. Boie**

**Eucharistic Ministers: Margot G. (C)**

Catalina M., Crystal G., Ethel G., Rose B.

**Lectors: Mario B. and Heidi B.**

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

**President: Fr. Stewart**

**Eucharistic Ministers: Lisa L.T. (C)**

Dodi T., Loring T., Pia C., Zulma T.

**Lectors: Marie B. and Bambi T.**

## **WEEKLY READINGS**

### **Monday-February 3rd**

Readings: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30, 16:5-13  
Mk 5:1-20

### **Tuesday-February 4th**

Readings: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a,  
30-19:3 Mk 5:21-43

### **Wednesday-February 5th**

Readings: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17 Mk 6:1-6

### **Thursday-February 6th**

Readings: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12 Mk 6:7-13

### **Friday-February 7th**

Readings: Sir 47:2-11 Mk 6:14-29

### **Saturday-February 8th**

Readings: 1 Kgs 3:4-13 Mk 6:30-34

### **Sunday-February 9th**

Readings: Is 58:7-10 1 Cor 2:1-5  
Mt 5:13-16