

Pastor's updates

October 16, 2020



Things you may want to know this week

1. **YOUR MISSION, OUR MISSION!** This weekend is Word Mission Sunday. We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call – to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of Faith supports the work and witness of the Mission Church, as it provides for priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Thank you for your generosity.
2. **YOUR MISSION, OUR MISSION! Gerry McDonagh**, a friend of parishioner **Pat Ryan**, has completed his mission of retagging and securing the carpet runner on the stairs going up the choir loft. Gerry extended his mission to secure the tabernacle on the altar of our convent chapel. Canon Law requires that the Blessed Sacrament should be reserved in a tabernacle that is immovable, solid, not transparent, and locked securely against profanation (c. 938 §3) Thank you Gerry and Pat!
3. **YOUR MISSION, OUR MISSION!** We have a mission to make our community safe for everyone especially against the pandemic threat. This Monday, October 19, 2020, we will have a FREE COVID-19 testing in the parking lot behind St. Robert Church. **Please schedule your COVID-19 Test now.** Please bring a copy of your driver's license or an official identification card along with a copy of your health insurance card and patient form. Please print out the linked [patient form!](#)
4. **YOUR MISSION, OUR MISSION!** Bells are an iconic symbol of Mission churches. The bells call people to gather, to pray and remind us of something important that is taking place. When the bells at St. Robert church ring at 12noon and 6PM everyday, I am not only reminded of the time of the day, but also and most especially of the time to pray and simply reminding me that there is a Church and there is a God. We also have bells for mass known as the "Sanctus bells." St. Roberts has not been hearing these bells in so long but last weekend these bells were heard again. A big thank you to **Sandy Mangold** for offering to pay the cost of our new "Sanctus Bells." Now bells are ringing during the mass!
5. **YOUR MISSION, OUR MISSION!** Our Kindergarteners attended our school mass this morning. With social distancing, they occupied almost the whole right section of the church. It was a delightful sight having them at church. Later in the afternoon, our Third Graders who are still in distant learning came to school to receive their reward. They contributed the most to the Fall Festival and because of that they received an ice cream party from Mister Softee. They accomplished their mission of supporting St. Robert's Parish. Congratulations and thank you!
6. **YOUR MISSION, OUR MISSION!** Share the mission of our Catholic education. St. Robert's School is now accepting appointment for school tour every Monday for families who are thinking of sending their child to kindergarten. Please call 650-583-5065.
7. **YOUR MISSION, OUR MISSION!** This All Souls Day, Monday, November 2nd, at 7:00PM, we will have a special memorial mass for our parishioners who have passed away from November 2019 to October 2020. Our beloved departed ones have completed their mission here on earth and have gone to our true home in heaven.

Thank you to **Barbara Rudometkin** for taking over the ministry that our Presentation Sisters have left behind.

Fr. Arnold