

# Saint Robert's Church



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## **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.

## **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 EUCHARIST**

Vigil Mass 4:30 pm

Sundays: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am and 5:00 pm

Holy Days: Please consult weekly bulletin.

Weekdays: Masses are on Tuesday and Friday at 6:30

a.m. and Monday-Saturday at 8:30 a.m. Communion

Services are held Monday, Wednesday and Thursday at 6:30 a.m. *Our Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring the Eucharist to the sick or homebound. Please contact the Rectory.*

## **SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**

Saturday: 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm or call 589-2800 to make an appointment.

## LETTER FROM FR. NNANNA

Dear Parishioners:

Blessed be the name of God, the Father who formed me in my mother's womb, our Lord Jesus Christ whose priesthood I share and enjoy and the Holy Spirit who made it possible for me to be here, and pray that he leads me safely back to Nigeria.

There was this child whose mother buys him a gift each time she goes to Walgreens. On this fateful day he showed appreciation by looking sullen. She noticed it and on inquiry the child was thinking of another way to show appreciation. He replied to the mother saying that he was thinking of something greater than "thank you" to buy for his mother.

My dear brothers and sisters, may I say a big thank you to you all. Be assured of my prayers. If my Bishop, I pray, allows me, July next year, God willing, I will spend my one month holiday with you.

Do remember to thank Msgr. Bruce Dreier for me for I cannot thank him enough.

Love and peace in Jesus, Mary and Joseph.  
*Msgr. Nnanna*



**PARISH BBQ**  
**SATURDAY, AUGUST 23RD**  
**AFTER THE 4:30 PM MASS**  
**MIDDLE YARD**  
*(Purchase tickets after all the*  
*Masses this weekend)*  
**\$5.00 for adults**  
**\$3.00 for children (under 12)**

**NOW AVAILABLE**  
**ST. ROBERT'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY DVD**

This DVD is now available for purchase  
at the rectory.  
Monday thru Friday  
Purchase price is \$5.00

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### Monday-August 18th

6:30 Communion Service  
Mass Intention 8:30 Art Braida †

### Tuesday-August 19th

6:30 Dolores Collins †  
Mass Intention 8:30 John P. Murphy †  
**Legion of Mary 6:30pm Library**

### Wednesday-August 20th

6:30 Communion Service  
Mass Intention 8:30 Mollie Shanahan †

### Thursday-August 21st

6:30 Communion Service  
Mass Intention 8:30 Frances Friedman †

### Friday-August 22nd

6:30 Fr. Joseph Marini  
Mass Intention 8:30 Algeandro Gomez †

### Saturday-August 23rd

8:30 Mrs. Patrick McCormick †  
Mass Intention 4:30 People of St. Robert's  
**AA meeting 10am Mahoney Room**  
**Parish BBQ After 4:30 Mass Middle Yard**

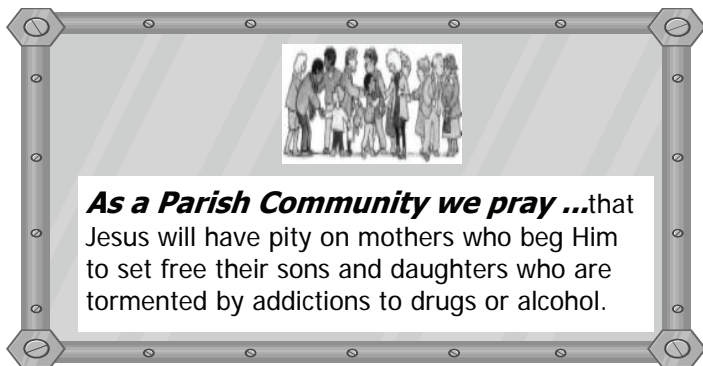
### Sunday-August 24th

7:30 Sandra Growney †  
Mass Intention 9:30 Jake Miller †  
11:30 Peter Guerrero †  
5pm Carmen Capella †  
**Confirmation Yr 2 3pm Hall**

## **WEEKDAY MASS CHANGES** **EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 2ND**

Daily Mass at 8:30 am  
Monday through Saturday.  
Additional Mass at 6:30 am on  
Monday, Tuesday and Friday.  
Communion Service on  
Wednesday and Thursday  
at 6:30 am.

Schedules for Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors & Altar  
Servers are also available on the web at  
[www.saintroberts.org](http://www.saintroberts.org).



**WE CONGRATULATE  
 THE NEWLY BAPTIZED**

Hunter Elliott William Cobb  
 JoDee Marie Spina  
 Gwendolyn Merlita Gorman

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.



**RCIA BEGINS IN SEPTEMBER**

Once again I would like to extend an invitation to our adult parishioners who have not yet received all their sacraments to join our RCIA program. If you or someone you know desires to join the Catholic Church, or receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion or Confirmation, please contact me. We will begin our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes in September and hope to celebrate the Sacraments at the Easter vigil next April.

It's also a good time to meet with anyone who wishes to receive the Sacrament of Marriage next year. We need a minimum of six months preparation time for Marriage. If you were married in a civil ceremony and would like to have your marriage blessed, the six month preparation time also applies. We are here to help if we can.

*Deacon Rusty Duffey*



You may have noticed how lovely the church looks. Thank you for keeping the carpets clean and the floors shiny!

**MISSIONARY SUNDAY**

Next weekend, August 23-24, 2008, we will have a representative from the Mary Mother of God Mission, Mary Joe Peyton, speaking about the mission in the Far East of Russia.

In the early part of this century, the Russian Far East boasted a thriving Roman Catholic population. Many Russians, Poles, Lithuanians, and other groups inhabited the area and had built school, hospitals, and beautiful churches. Then the Russian revolution swept into the region. After the revolution of 1917, Siberia became a showplace of the new Communist era, a land without churches and without God. Under Stalin, all Catholic churches were confiscated, and many were turned into the most degrading uses imaginable. Catholics were murdered by the thousands and their bodies dumped into mass graves. Cemeteries were turned into amusement parks.

Two American priests, Fr. Myron Effing, CJD and Fr. Daniel Maurer, CJD, arrived in Vladivostok in 1992 to help re-establish the Church in this region. They currently pastor three Catholic parishes in an area covering thousands of square miles. Now that the foundations have been laid, additional priests and sisters are joining the work, and parishes are growing and multiplying.

For the latest news on activities of the mission, visit the website at [www.vladmission.org](http://www.vladmission.org).

**STEWARDSHIP**

July 1st to August 10th (goal)	60,300.00
July 1st to August 10th (actual)	61,012.14
7/1/08-6/30/09 Weekly Goal	10,050.00
Collection (actual 8/10)	7,485.89

**ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

As of 8/12/08 **308 Families** have pledged  
**\$75,090.10.**

*Our goal this year is \$95,100.00*

**Thank you for your generous donation.**

**Sign up for E-Contributions**

Go to [www.saintroberts.org](http://www.saintroberts.org) and click on the e-contributions button.

*There is no cost to you for this service.*

# MINISTER SCHEDULE/Aug 23 & 24

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

**Presider:** Fr. O'Dell

**Eucharistic Ministers:** T. Dachauer (C),

M. Elmore, C. Holland, J. Quinn, J. Beltrano, R. Hanley,  
D. Hageman, M. Murphy, R. Aveson

**Lectors:** C. Clarke and J. Cronin

**Altar Servers:** K. Mitchell and M. Murphy

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

**Presider:** Fr. O'Dell

**Eucharistic Ministers:** J. Aldinger (C),

F. Reyes, T. Montross, L. Quintana, E. Ruggiero

**Lectors:** R. Rolfes and A. Reyes

**Altar Servers:** A. Clifford and L. Clifford

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

**Presider:** Fr. Ring

**Eucharistic Ministers:** A. Romine (C),

R. Valdez, J. Valdez, M.A. Saisi, M. Blumenthal,  
L. Rodriguez, L. Canaya, M. Quilici, M. Bologna

**Lectors:** L. Kaloucava and J. Marty

**Altar Servers:** M. Lynch, C. Lynch and Mar. Lynch

**Children's Liturgy:** Michael and Darlene

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

**Presider:** Msgr. Dreier

**Eucharistic Ministers:** M. Giusti (C),

G. May, A. Maron, D. Murphy, J. Abellana, B. Chester,  
C. Morgan, J. Yee, N. Bamba, L. Juvero

**Lectors:** D. Maron and C. Maron

**Altar Servers:** C. McCann and G. Villanueva

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

**Presider:** Fr. Schaukowitz

**Eucharistic Ministers:** M. Huntington (C),

G. Lynch, J. Huddleston, D. Ferris, B. Shader,

T. Thompson, M. Aberouette, C. Browne, C. Innes

**Lector:** H. Lowood

**Altar Servers:** M. McHale and R. Cuddy

### **WEEKLY READINGS**

#### Monday-August 18th

Readings: Ez 24:15-24 Mt 19:16-22

#### Tuesday-August 19th

Readings: Ez 28:1-10 Mt 19:23-30

#### Wednesday-August 20th

Readings: Ez 34:1-11 Mt 20:1-16

#### Thursday-August 21st

Readings: Ex 36:23-28 Mt 22:1-14

#### Friday-August 22nd

Readings: Ez 34:1-14 Mt 22:34-40

#### Saturday-August 23rd

Readings: Ez 43:1-7 Mt 23:1-12

#### Sunday-August 24th

Readings: Is 22:19-23 Rom 11:33-36 Mt 16:13-20

# Living the Liturgy

## Why Are We Here?

The reading about Elijah last weekend omitted a wonderful question which the Lord asks him, "Why are you here?" Elijah, of course, has run away from people seeking his life and thus, ended up in the cave. But the question the Lord asks is a good one for us as the summer winds down. Why are we here? Those of us who cut our teeth on the Baltimore Catechism (published in 1884) may remember the answer to "Why did God make you?" "To know, love and serve him in this life and be happy with him forever in the next." While it was written a long time ago, the answer still has relevance for us today.

If we are here to know God, how does the Holy Spirit help us to do that? Surely, prayer, daily Mass and the reading of the scriptures are wonderful ways to open ourselves to God. I'd suggest that reflection on our daily experiences is another. Any time we feel a strong emotion, whether sadness, joy, anger, awe or fear, there is a message for us; God is trying to tell us something. Of course, if we live with the radio or television on or are constantly on the computer or iPOD, we will probably not be tuned into our feelings. The noise or our own busyness can easily drown out the voice of God. We need to stop when we experience one of these feelings and take the time to ask, "What are you trying to say to me, God?" It takes practice, like anything worth doing, but once you begin, it gets easier each time.

And how do we love and serve him? By loving and serving each other, of course, first of all, those closest at hand for whom we have responsibility. Remember the idea of the "duties of our state in life"? That was another way of examining our consciences to see if we were responding to God's particular call to each of us. Now that we have a heightened awareness of our interconnectedness with one another globally, we know that our love and service needs to go beyond just those we know to the brothers and sisters we've never met.

So, if you can, take a few minutes this weekend to reflect on your response to the Lord's question: Why are you here?

Sr. Sheral

## At Home with the Word

Have you often wondered how you could better understand the scriptures you hear every Sunday? There is a wonderful resource available which contains all the Sunday readings for the year, helpful background for the readings, and suggestions for their practical application in our daily lives. At Home With the Word also includes an introduction to the gospel we'll be hearing from during the liturgical year and simple ideas for studying and praying with scripture. Since the Archdiocese orders in bulk, they can make these books available in English or Spanish for \$6.00. Please let me know **by Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup>** by e-mail at [srsheral@saintroberts.org](mailto:srsheral@saintroberts.org) or by phone at 589-2800 and I'll order you a copy.



## Wine & Cheese Booth

The Festival Committee will be collecting bottles of Wine and Spirits to be used at the Wine and Cheese Booth and Booth "21" at this year's festival. Please bring your donations prior to all Masses on September 6th & 7th or the weekend of the September 13th & 14th. Thanks for your support.



## **SCRIP**

Shop Safeway during August 6th thru September 9th using your registered Safeway Club Card. Purchase products with the yellow school bus and St. Robert's school will receive 10% of your purchase price. If not registered with eScrip, shop from

September 12th thru October 13th and turn your receipt in to the Rectory or School. Call Chris Peterson if you have any questions at (650) 827-1748.

## **MY SCHOOL'S COOL FUNDRAISER**

This fundraiser has begun (August 1st thru May 30, 2009)

Shop anywhere at the Tanforan Mall, save your receipts & Century ticket stubs.

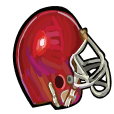
Deposit them at SR Locker (located by Sears)

or

drop them off at the Rectory/School

Points = Dollars for St. Robert's

Questions, call Chris Peterson at 650-827-1748



## 2008 Centerplate Schedule

Day	Date	Opponent	Leave SR	Game Time
___ Wed	August 20 <sup>th</sup>	Florida	3:00 p.m.	7:15 p.m.
___ Thursday	August 21 <sup>st</sup>	Florida	8:45 a.m.	12:45 p.m.
___ Friday	August 29 <sup>th</sup>	49ers vs Chargers	2:30 p.m.	7:00 p.m.
___ Sunday	Sept 7 <sup>th</sup>	49ers vs Arizona	7:15 a.m.	1:15 p.m.
___ Tuesday	Sept 9 <sup>th</sup>	Arizona	3:00 p.m.	7:15 p.m.
___ Wed	Sept 10 <sup>th</sup>	Arizona	8:45 a.m.	12:45 p.m.
___ Friday	Sept 26 <sup>th</sup>	Dodgers	3:00 p.m.	7:15 p.m.
___ Saturday	Sept 27 <sup>th</sup>	Dodgers	2:00 p.m.	6:05 p.m.
___ Sunday	October 5 <sup>th</sup>	49ers vs Patriots	8:15 a.m.	1:15 p.m.
___ Sunday	October 12 <sup>th</sup>	49ers vs Eagles	8:15 a.m.	1:15 p.m.
___ Sunday	October 26 <sup>th</sup>	49ers vs Seattle	8:15 a.m.	1:15 p.m.
___ Sunday	November 16 <sup>th</sup>	49ers vs Rams	8:15 a.m.	1:05 p.m.
___ Sunday	December 7 <sup>th</sup>	49ers vs Jets	8:15 a.m.	1:05 p.m.
___ Sunday	December 28 <sup>th</sup>	49ers vs Redskins	8:15 a.m.	1:15 p.m.

**Dress Code:** Full length Black Slacks (no jeans, capris, spandex), white shirt with collar, closed toe shoes (black or white).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Sign up on-line at [www.saintroberts.org](http://www.saintroberts.org). Click on the Centerplate button