

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 (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. *Communion Services* are held Wednesday and Thursday at 6:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

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

**Schedules for Eucharistic Ministers,
Lectors & Altar Servers are also available
on the web at www.saintroberts.org.**

Dear Parishioners,

Have you been to Yosemite or Yellowstone Park? Were you fortunate enough to have seen the Grand Canyon? Do you still smile as you approach Lake Tahoe? Perhaps, you grew up going to the beach, to the mountains or to the country where relatives lived. This natural world which refreshes us by its beauty desperately needs our help. Our Native American ancestors say that before you make a decision, you must consider the effect of that decision on the seventh generation to come. We are being invited to embrace that same mindset.

Beginning this weekend and throughout the month of October, our parish Social Concerns group will be helping us to respond to the encouragement by the Holy Father and our bishops to take the St. Francis Pledge to Care for Creation and the Poor. It would be easier to ignore the repeated admonitions of our best scientists and the fears of low-lying island dwellers, but our faith tells us we cannot do this. Ironically, those countries which have contributed the least to global warming will be the first to be drastically impacted. The intensity of hurricanes and bizarre weather patterns, including the major flooding of Metro Manila last weekend cannot be ignored.

St. Francis of Assisi whose feast we celebrate this weekend saw all people and all of creation as his brothers and sisters. His wonder at Brother Sun, Sister Moon and Mother Earth revealed a profound insight: the same God has formed us all. We are called to care for, protect and share this planet and its abundance with all its inhabitants. Each weekend, one of our group will offer some suggestions as to how we can lessen the impact of global climate change. We'll also give each household a card with some reminders as to where we might begin.

Pope John Paul II spoke of us as "cooperators with God in the work of creation."

The St. Francis Pledge appears on the enclosed flier. Please talk it over with members of your family and sign it when you feel ready. Let us enter into this holy task together and with gratitude.

Peace, S. Sherab

PHOTO SESSIONS START ON FRIDAY

We have scheduled with Lifetouch to be here to take family pictures for the directory on **October 9th – 10th; 20th – 24th; and 27th – 30th.** We will be scheduling appointments this weekend after the morning Masses or You can schedule picture appointments on line at SaintRoberts.org.

Remember you get one free portrait and a free directory per family when you take a picture for the directory. Portraits are expected to be available by Thanksgiving and the directory is expected in February 2010. Please schedule your appointment now.



THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday-October 5th

Mass Intention	6:30	Sister Mary John Buckley †
	8:30	Aldo Alchera †
Men's Club	6:30pm	Hall

Tuesday-October 6th

Mass Intention	6:30	Patrice van Velthuysen †
	8:30	Kathleen Sullivan †
Adult Rel Ed	9:15am	Mary's Chapel
Rel Ed	3:30pm	Church & Hall
Legion of Mary	6:30pm	Library
Confirmation	7:00pm	Hall

Wednesday-October 7th

Mass Intention	6:30	Communion Service
	8:30	Aldo Alchera †
Grief Support	9:00am	Mary's Chapel

Thursday-October 8th

Mass Intention	6:30	Communion Service
	8:30	Angelo Cassanego †
Women's Guild	6:30pm	Hall
RCIA	7:00pm	Convent Chapel

Friday-October 9th

Mass Intention	6:30	Steven Hart †
	8:30	Gilda Cassanego †
Grandparent's Day	7:00am	Hall
Directory Photos	1:30pm	Hall
<i>(by appt. only)</i>		

Saturday-October 10th

Mass Intention	8:30	Mary Isonio †
	4:30	Maria Miranda †
Directory Photos	10:00am	Hall
<i>(by appt. only)</i>		
AA	9:30am	Mahoney Room
Consolation Min	3:00pm	Convent Chapel


Sunday-October 11th

Mass Intention	7:30	Ana Kovacevic †
	9:30	Deacon Jack Bourne †
	11:30	Deacon Jack Bourne †
	5:00	People of St. Robert's
Confirmation/Yr 2	3:30pm	Hall

PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE

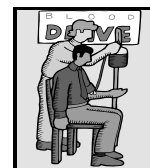
October 10th

America is at a Historic crossroads. Secularists are trying to push God from the public square. With God, our leaders will get wisdom to solve the great problems we face. Let us come and pray together the 2009 Public Square Rosary Crusade in front of our Church at Noon on Saturday, October 10th.



As a Parish Community we pray ... for the millions of environmental refugees all over the world that have been displaced from their homes because of rising sea levels, droughts, expanding deserts, catastrophic flooding and other environmental disasters, especially the people of the Philippines.

**BLOOD DRIVE
IN THE HALL
8 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M.
TODAY-OCTOBER 4TH**



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS



Megan Hardy
Willis & Ivy Ticzon
Tim & Andrea Skoufis & Family
Gigi Picazo

IF YOU ARE NEW TO ST. ROBERT'S,

we ask that you complete a registration form found in the vestibule of the church. Drop it either in the collection basket, the mail, or at the parish office. We will send you a New Parishioner Packet with information about the parish, its organizations and groups. If you chose, you can register online at: www.saintroberts.org.

**WE CONGRATULATE
THE NEWLY BAPTIZED**



Liam Nahuatl Edelman
Maxwell Mateo Espinola
Aidan Everett McGuirk

Our sincere sympathy to the families of Raffela Brucato and Edward Gonnella who died recently.

The Wednesday evening Scripture Study will resume on October 7th at 7:30 p.m. in Mary's Chapel. All are welcome

**Consolation Ministry
Saint Robert's Grief Support Group-
October 10th**

in the Convent Chapel from 3:00 – 4:15 (before the 4:30 Mass). Anyone who is suffering from the loss, (whether recent or not so recent) of a loved one – spouse, sibling, child, parent, friend or relative is invited to come and pray, share, comfort and be comforted. You are invited to bring a friend or companion as for support and strength if you so wish. God Bless you in your sorrow. Sister Patricia 589 – 0104 or any of the Saint Robert's Consolation Committee.

**GROWNUPS
FALL LUNCHEON AND GENERAL MEETING
October 18th**

The Grownup's fall luncheon and General Meeting will be held on Sunday, October 18th after the 11:30 a.m. Mass. It will be catered and served by the InBetweeners. After lunch there will be a short meeting and a game. Tickets will be sold after all Masses on October 3rd, 4th, 10th and 11th. Cut off date is October 14th. Please call one of the following people for tickets: Dolores Johnson at 583-7813, Kathy Cronin 588-8379 or Vera Hannon at 589-0653.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

July 1st to Sept. 27th (goal)	130,650.00
July 1st to Sept. 27th (actual)	118,608.68
7/1/09-6/30/10 Weekly Goal	10,050.00
Collection (actual 9/27)	9,286.15
E Cont (Month of September)	1,713.00

2009 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

As of 9/29/09 over 500 families have pledged **\$89,897.32**.
Our goal this year is \$98,400
Thank you for your generous donation.

Sign up for E-Contributions

Go to www.saintroberts.org and click on the e-contributions button.
There is no cost to you for this service.

MINISTER SCHEDULE/October 10 & 11

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Aveson (C)

T. Dachauer, J. Waldvogel, J. Scannell, Y. Olcomendy,
M. Murphy, C. Holland, D. Hageman, R. Hanley

Lectors: J. Cronin and P. Scannell

Altar Servers: R. Nazzal and M. Fogelsong

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Nunnery (C)

A. Doherty, C. Noce, M. Noce, F. Reyes

Lectors: J. Thomson and A. Reyes

Altar Servers: D. Rodriguez and B. Cronin

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Ring

Eucharistic Ministers: J. Sexton (C)

T. Jones, J. Kelly, M.A. Saisi, G. Sinks, L. Canaya,
L. Rodrigues, A. Solis, C. Zollezi

Lectors: J. Valdez and T. Tullius

Altar Servers: C. McHale, M. McHale and M. Godfrey

Children's Liturgy: Terry and Bob & Karen

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul

Eucharistic Ministers: T. Estelita (C)

P. Fernandez, M. Fernandez, D. Murphy, H. Madayag,
H. Mantler, L. Sing, N. Bamba, C. Forsell

Lectors: M. Estelita and H. Valle

Altar Servers: A. Dharmadi and K. Katches

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet

Eucharistic Ministers: D. Ferris (C)

M. Santiago, M. Salvato, V. Hawkins, P. Lusic,
M. Mahoney, E. Shick, G. Landholt, P. Landholt

Lector: J. Bartolotti and J. Marty

Altar Servers: E. Wright and T. Lopez

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-October 5th

Readings: Jon 1:1—2:2,11 Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday-October 6th

Readings: Jon 3:1-10 Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday-October 7th

Readings: Jon 4:1-11 Lk 11:1-4

Thursday-October 8th

Readings: Mal 3:13-20b Lk 11:5-13

Friday-October 9th

Readings: Jl 1:13-15;2:1-2 Lk 11:15-26

Saturday-October 10th

Readings: Jl 4:12-21 Lk 11:27-28

Sunday-October 11th

Readings: Wis 7:7-11 Heb 4:12-13 Mk 10:17-30



The Saint Francis Pledge to Care for Creation and the Poor

Our parish has a wonderful tradition of responding to the needs of our neighbors, whether close at hand or far away. As we celebrate the Feast of Francis who loved the poor and reveled in God's gift of creation, we are invited to take the St. Francis Pledge to Care for Creation and the Poor and to join the Catholic Climate Covenant. This is a promise and a commitment by individuals, families, and groups to live our faith by protecting creation and advocating on behalf of people in poverty who face the harshest impacts of global climate change. By signing this pledge, you commit to act, as much as you are able, on each of the five elements of the Pledge.

I/We pledge to:

- ___PRAY and reflect on the duty to care for God's creation and protect the poor and vulnerable.
- ___LEARN about and educate others on the causes and moral dimensions of climate change.
- ___ASSESS how we - as individuals and in our families, parishes and work places – contribute to climate change by our own energy use, consumption, waste, etc.
- ___ACT to change our choices and behaviors to reduce the ways we contribute to climate change.
- ___ADVOCATE for Catholic principles and priorities in climate change discussions and decisions, especially as they impact those who are poor and vulnerable.

Please take this home, talk it over with your family, then take the Pledge. Register your Pledge at www.catholicclimatecovenant.org. Thank you! The Social Concerns Group and the Human Family

St. Roberts Inbetweeners Invite



You to Participate

We are a group of parishioners some married, some widowed, some divorced, and some never married. Ask yourself the following questions:

- Do your joints hurt when you wake up?
- Do you experience hot and cold when nobody else does?
- Do you need to hold the menu across the table to read it?
- Do your kids suddenly talk too fast for you to understand?

*You get the picture if you answered **yes** to any of the above - you definitely should belong to the*

INBETWEENERS!!!

We meet about 6 times a year usually on a Friday evening. Some of our past activities and annual events include our Christmas Party, a Pedro Tournament, Crab dinner, and St. Patrick's Dinner Dance, some of our other off-site events include the Fun Train to Reno, Mystery trips, Giants game, a trip to Seattle, and a Disneyland trip. All of our events and meetings are open to all members of the parish. Come try a meeting on for size. You will find us to be extremely friendly and we will make you feel welcome. A typical meeting includes dinner and sometimes a small activity is planned afterward. The meetings are in the Parish Hall, cocktails are from 6:30 to 7:30, dinner about 7:30. In the past we have supported the Youth Group, the CCD program, The School, Catholic Worker House, and the St Vincent DePaul Society, victims of Hurricane Katrina, and donations annually to the community. Dues are \$10 per person per year. Contact George Lynch at geo@lynchandsons.com or 872-0301.

Living the Liturgy

St. Francis, Our Patron

How much do you know about St. Francis? As a Franciscan, it gives me great pleasure to share some aspects of his life with you. He was born in Assisi in 1181, the child of a wealthy cloth merchant, Pietro Bernadone, and his devout wife, Pica. He was spoiled, the life of the party as a young man, and enjoyed being the center of attention. Seeking fame as a knight, he twice went off to war but both times he returned, sick and embarrassed. While he was recuperating the second time, he had a dream in which Jesus asked him, "Is it better to serve the master or the servant?" Francis replied, "The master, of course." "Then why are you serving the servant?" came the reply. Thus began the long, slow process of his conversion.

One day when he was praying, he opened the gospel of Matthew and read, "If you would be perfect, go, sell what you have and come follow me." At last, he knew what he must do! He not only sold what HE had, but also gave away much of his father's inventory. He began begging and wore rags, much to his family's chagrin, as he walked the streets and spoke of Jesus' love for all people. Instead of partying, he spent long hours in prayer. His former companions and most of the townsfolk thought he was crazy. He greeted everyone with "The Lord give you peace."

One day, he had a vision of Jesus on the cross; Jesus said, "Francis, rebuild my church, which as you see is in ruins." The literalist Francis began repairing the decrepit chapels nearby. The example of his life was difficult to ignore and, little by little, other men came to help with the work and to live with him. Eventually, he realized that the vision meant to repair not church buildings, but the Church as the People of God. His life of poverty was in great contrast to the luxury in which many of the clergy of that time lived.

His commitment to God and to the poor deepened when he encountered a leper. He was moved to embrace the leper and later described the incident as "sweet." He crossed other barriers as well. He went to visit the Sultan in the midst of the Fifth Crusade after he had tried to persuade the crusaders to stop fighting. Though the crusades continued, he and the Sultan spent nearly a month in conversation and prayer together, long before anyone even imagined interfaith dialogue.

We who are Franciscans – the friars (who founded the California Missions), the Poor Clares (who live a contemplative, cloistered life), many women's communities (like mine, founded many years after his death), and Third Order Franciscans (often married men and women) also try to follow Christ and live his gospel. May you do the same in your life!

Peace, S. Sheral

CORRECTION TO LAST WEEK'S BULLETIN

The winner of the \$2,000 raffle is Joan Marshall, not John Marshall. Sorry for the mistake.

Gift Catalog & Cookie Dough Fundraiser - The Women's Guild has kicked off its annual fundraiser, which features gift items from the QSP catalog as well as cookie dough from Otis Spunkmeyer. This fundraiser is open to all parishioners and ends Wednesday, October 14th. What a great way to get your holiday shopping done early this year! If you're interested in receiving a catalog, please contact Helen O'Brien at 952-4963.

Men's Club Meeting

October 5th

Doors open at 6pm

\$ 20.00 for dinner and raffle

For information or RSVP, contact Tim Fuller:

(650) 280-9800

tim.fuller@rgcreations.com

Please join us for a special St. Robert's Women's Guild meeting honoring women & breast cancer awareness month

Thursday, October 8th 6-9pm @ Hennessy Hall

dinner & drinks \$12

THINKPINK SRWG

karaoke, raffle & special surprises

wear pink and get 1 free raffle ticket

rsvp: srwomensguild@yahoo.com by Oct. 5 - don't miss this special event!

AIDS LUNCH –October 14th

The second Wednesday of the month, **October 14th**, is our donation day. If you can help by providing your favorite dish for up to 12 people that would be great. Please put in a non-returnable container and leave in the little church room in the vestibule of the Church by 9:30 am.

Frozen items are acceptable.

Thank you for your continued assistance.



**Our Centerplate totals
as of September 28th
are \$47,914.42**

