

# 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](http://www.saintroberts.org).**

**Dear Parishioners;**

*"He, Yahweh, is merciful, tenderhearted,  
slow to anger, very loving,  
and universally kind: Yahweh's tenderness  
embraces all his creatures. Ps. 147*

As we move through the season, Autumn or Fall, we should keep in mind that though the seasons change from nice warm days to cold, wet, thunderous days, our God-Yahweh never changes. He remains tenderhearted, kind, loving and forgiving to all of us, His children. This psalm is an invitation to us to put God first in our lives and to communicate with Him daily through prayer and good deeds. In today's second reading we read, "For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin. So let us confidently approach the throne of grace and to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help."

Prayer is powerful and we should never neglect or underestimate its power. God listens to our prayers but at times we are asking like James and John, the sons of Zebedee, for something we do not know what we are asking for. James and John were not promised the two best seats in the Kingdom that they asked for. They were not discouraged by Jesus' response and walked away from Him. Neither should we be discouraged when our requests are not granted. We should continue asking. God will respond by giving us what is for our benefit and for the good of our fellow brothers and sisters.

There are so many sick and suffering in our parish that presently need our prayers and support. Pray for them and for their caregivers.

*"The Son of Man came to serve  
and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:35*

**On Saturday, November 7,** Sister Sheral and I are offering a workshop for caregivers and those who have a frail spouse, relative or friend in the hospital or in assisted living. We'll meet in the convent chapel from 8:30 am til 1 pm, with lunch included. Please plan to join us.

*Sister Patricia*

**PHOTO SESSIONS**

We have scheduled with Lifetouch to be here to take family pictures for the directory on **October 20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>**

**and 27<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>.** You can schedule picture appointments on line at SaintRoberts.org or after weekend Masses.

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 19th

Mass Intention	6:30	Eduardo & Emilia Gandeza †
	8:30	David Vinal †

Tuesday–October 20th

Mass Intention	6:30	Amerigo Parenti †
	8:30	Sal Callejo †
<b>Adult Rel Ed Directory Photos</b> <i>(by appt. only)</i>	<b>9:15am</b>	<b>Mary's Chapel</b>
	<b>2:00pm</b>	<b>Convent</b>
<b>Rel Ed Legion of Mary Confirmation</b>	<b>3:30pm</b>	<b>Church &amp; Hall</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Library</b>
	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Hall</b>

Wednesday–October 21st

Mass Intention	6:30	Communion Service
	8:30	Joanne Cassanego †
<b>Directory Photos</b> <i>(by appt. only)</i>	<b>2:00pm</b>	<b>Convent</b>
<b>Cheerleading Scripture Study</b>	<b>3:00pm</b>	<b>Hall</b>
	<b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Mary's Chapel</b>

Thursday–October 22nd

Mass Intention	6:30	Communion Service
	8:30	Aldo Alchera †
<b>Directory Photos</b> <i>(by appt. only)</i>	<b>2:00pm</b>	<b>Convent</b>
<b>RCIA</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Convent Chapel</b>

Friday–October 23rd

Mass Intention	6:30	Jim Halpin †
	8:30	Olga Ann Cahill †
<b>Directory Photos</b> <i>(by appt. only)</i>	<b>2:00pm</b>	<b>Convent</b>
<b>Cheerleading Inbetweeners</b>	<b>3:00pm</b>	<b>Hall</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Hall</b>

Saturday–October 24th

Mass Intention	8:30	John Duchi †
	4:30	Manuela Debono †
<b>AA</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Mahoney Room</b>
<b>Consolation Min.</b>	<b>3:00pm</b>	<b>Convent Chapel</b>
<b>Rel Ed/Reunion</b>	<b>3:00pm</b>	<b>Hall</b>

Sunday–October 25th

Mass Intention	7:30	People of St. Robert's
	9:30	Dino Meschi †
	11:30	Michael McMorrow †
	5:00	James Halpin †



**As a Parish Community we pray ...** for those who have grown old and frail. For those who are ill and for their caregivers. May we cherish them and help them.

**RESPECT LIFE MONTH:** We have to a great extent rationalized abortion, infanticide, euthanasia, the death penalty and suicide. We have worked hard on the vocabulary of rationalization, calling abortion-the 'termination of pregnancy': infanticide-'the only humane choice'; euthanasia-'mercy killing'; suicide-'creative deliverance'. But deep within us we know that each of these euphemisms conceal a lie, a rationalization. Deep in our hearts, we know that life is God's precious gift to us."

### Communion for the Sick

If there is someone ill in your family or recovering from surgery or chemotherapy who is unable to come to Mass, please call Sister Patricia at 589-0104 and she will ask someone to bring Holy Communion. Or contact Sr. Sherab about the option of bringing your family member Communion yourself. There is a very simple procedure to be followed and either of us will be happy to go through it with you.

We have the record of everyone buried from St. Robert's, but if you have lost a loved one in the past year who was not buried from our parish, please be sure to e-mail that name to posullivan3@juno.com or fax, mail or drop it by the rectory, so that we have the correct spelling. We need it by Oct. 23 so we can include the name of your beloved dead in our Wall of Remembrance in the church.



### Consolation Ministry Grief Support Group October 24th

Our next meeting is on October 24th 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.

## STEWARDSHIP

### WORLD MISSION SUNDAY THIS WEEKEND

#### MAKING A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE

Just as our young church here in the United States received support in the 19th century from the Catholics of Europe through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, so too the growing churches in the Developing World today also require financial help. Your generosity will help make a faith-filled difference around the world!

- A gift \$25 would be a month's support for a young woman preparing to serve as a Religious Sister in Indonesia.
- A gift of \$60 is a month's education for a seminarian in Nigeria.
- About \$50 a month helps a local Religious Community of Sisters in Tanzania care for the poor.
- Just \$20 helps toward the purchase of a bicycle for a catechist in Kenya.

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

July 1st to October 11th (goal)	150,750.00
July 1st to October 11th (actual)	138,035.02
7/1/09-6/30/10 Weekly Goal	10,050.00
Collection (actual 10/11)	7,699.90
E Cont (Month of September)	1,713.00

Thank you for your generous donation of  
**\$4,297.55**  
to Catholic Relief Services helping all those affected by natural disasters.

### 2009 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

As of 10/13/09 **over 500 families** have pledged **\$90,097.32**.

*Our goal this year is \$98,400*  
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/October 24 & 25**

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

**Presider:** Fr. Jim Schaukowitch

**Eucharistic Ministers:** R. Hanley (C)

R. Aveson, D. Hageman, C. Holland, Y. Olcomendy,

J. Scannell, A. Ciraulo, T. Dachauer

**Lectors:** C. Clarke and M. Dachauer

**Altar Servers:** J. Jauregui and N. Barbieri

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

**Presider:** Fr. Ring

**Eucharistic Ministers:** R. Vassallo (C)

R. Jardin, R. Lahoz, T. Montross, M. Nunnery

**Lectors:** S. Heaney and B. Lopez

**Altar Servers:** L. Clifford and N. Nussbaum

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

**Presider:** Fr. Paul

**Eucharistic Ministers:** R. Valdez (C)

M. Bologna, U. Uniacke, H. Mar, J. Valdez, J. Sexton,

T. Jones, J. Kelly, M.A. Saisi

**Lectors:** Student Lector

**Altar Servers:** E. Gonzalez, M. Grelish and P. Jauregui

**Children's Liturgy:** Family Mass

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

**Presider:** Fr. Jim Schaukowitch

**Eucharistic Ministers:** T. Estelita (C)

A. Maron, C. Morgan, D. Murphy, P. Fernandez,

M. Fernandez, H. Madayag, H. Mantler, L. Sing

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

**Altar Servers:** J. Kelly and A. Ayllon

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

**Presider:** Fr. Paul

**Eucharistic Ministers:** M. Salvato (C)

C. Browne, D. Ferris, M. Santiago, V. Hawkins,

P. Lustic, M. Mahoney, E. Shick, J. Huddleston

**Lector:** J. Bartolotti and H. Lowood

**Altar Servers:** A. Davis and E. Wright

#### **WEEKLY READINGS**

#### **Monday-October 19th**

Readings: Rom 4:20-25 Lk 12:13-21

#### **Tuesday-October 20th**

Readings: Rom 5:12,15b,17-19,20b-21 Lk 12:35-38

#### **Wednesday-October 21st**

Readings: Rom 6:12-18 Lk 12:39-48

#### **Thursday-October 22nd**

Readings: Rom 6:19-23 Lk 12:49-53

#### **Friday-October 23rd**

Readings: Rom 7:18-25a Lk 12:54-59

#### **Saturday-October 24th**

Readings: Rom 8:1-11 Lk 13:1-9

#### **Sunday-October 25th**

Readings: Jer 31:7-9 Heb 5:1-6 Mk 10:46-52

## Going Green at Work

Even if we aren't in a position to set policy or make company wide decisions, there are ways we can all be good stewards of the Earth and make the most of available resources while at work. Avoid printing hardcopies of e-mails and other documents when possible. Recycle or shred anything no longer needed. Bring your own mug for that morning cup of coffee; suggest buying Fair Trade coffee. Ask your employer to provide paper cups rather than styrofoam or plastic for guests. (Styrofoam takes 10,000 years to disintegrate!) Brown bag your lunch. It saves money, a car trip, and can be healthier than eating out.

If you happen to be able to set policy or your office is open to suggestions, you might wish to consider some of the following options. Set up an office wide recycling program for paper, plastic, and aluminum cans; mark the other bin "landfill" to help bring the point home! Bring a pitcher of water with cups to a meeting, instead of bottled water. Replace bottled water with a countertop filter which dispenses hot and cold water. If the building owner and work schedule hours allow, install a programmable thermostat to keep the temperature in comfortable range only during hours that employees will be in the building. Evaluate which pieces of equipment need to remain on standby and unplug all of items which do not need to be. For those which need to be available on demand, look for Energy Star rated products when purchasing new equipment. Little things can go a long ways towards reducing our impact on the world as a whole. **Tracey Jones**

## Our Carbon Footprint

You may have noticed the phrase "carbon footprint" on the posters at the entrance to the church. We can go to [www.nature.org](http://www.nature.org) or many other sites to determine the effect of our carbon-releasing lifestyle on global warming. The particulate matter in automobile exhaust, the small stuff we can't see, for example, is contributing to the growing incidence of asthma especially among our children. Our carbon footprint has to do with home energy use, driving and flying, food and diet and recycling and waste. This website for the Nature Conservancy has many practical suggestions for what we can do at home to be more responsible to the rest of the human family. Planting just one tree removes 13 pounds of CO<sub>2</sub> per year from the atmosphere.

Did you know that 15 to 20% of yearly greenhouse gas emissions come from cows? I know it sounds strange but the methane gas emitted from cows is really bad for our planet. Marian Medical Center in Santa Maria has captured the methane from the local landfill and is using it to provide almost all the power for the hospital. Frances Moore Lappe in her classic Diet for a Small Planet states that the average grain-fed animal will eat 2.5 tons of grain and feed per year (not counting the antibiotics given to keep them healthy). It takes 16 pounds of grain to make one pound of meat; if people ate the 16 pounds of grain, they'd have 21 times more calories and 8 times the protein of that burger! The United Nations estimates that if every American simply skipped beef ONE day per week that would save the CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent of flying from New York to Los Angeles 90 million times! Methane is way more potent in the atmosphere than CO<sub>2</sub>; it packs a greater punch. So, shall we try it? Are you willing to challenge your household to try one beef-less meal per week? I am! **Peace, S. Sheral**



## 2009 Centerplate Schedule



Day	Date	Opponent	Game Time	Lv. St Roberts
Sunday	Nov 8	49er vs Tennessee	1:15 p.m.	8:15 a.m.
Thursday	Nov 12	49er vs Chicago	5:20 p.m.	12:30 p.m.
Sunday	Nov 29	49er vs Jacksonville	1:05 p.m.	8:15 a.m.
Monday	Dec 14	49er vs Arizona	5:30 p.m.	12:30 p.m.
Sunday	Dec 27	49er vs Detroit	1:05 p.m.	8:15 a.m.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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

**DRESS CODE:** Black pants (*no jeans or spandex*) white shirt with collar & **NO** opened toed shoes.

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

# Living the Liturgy

## Who Wants to Be A Servant?

This piece of Mark's gospel follows Jesus' third prediction of his passion. It should make us wonder at the audacity of James and John who sound like 10 year olds. "We want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." What they want is important places at the "throne" they imagine Jesus will use once he conquers the occupying power of the Romans! Jesus' response that they must drink the cup he will drink (a metaphor at the time for suffering) and be baptized with the baptism (of death) which he will undergo. Their thoughtless response, "We can" again reveals their ignorance of the demands of the discipleship to which Jesus is inviting them. The other 10 are indignant at them, perhaps because they didn't think of asking the question themselves! The point of the reading, of course, is Jesus instruction about greatness: "Whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."

It's an upside down order of things which Jesus inaugurates in his beloved community and too difficult for us to live out on our own. That's why we need community, too, to give each other such a strong, consistent example that we're always called back from putting ourselves first to putting others first. To give James and John their due, as you may recall, James becomes the bishop of Jerusalem (though they didn't have that title then) and dies a martyr; and John is the one at the foot of the cross with Mary. So the interaction with Jesus and the other disciples and the Holy Spirit must have worked on them to change their hearts, as we trust our involvement in our community with the guidance of the Spirit will change our hearts, too.

Next weekend, after all the Masses, we'll be selling Earth Friendly Fair Trade coffee as part of our month-long expression of concern for creation and the poor. The company we buy from is connected with Catholic Relief Services and is in the process of arranging for the farmers themselves to do the roasting in their country. The coffee is organic and shade-grown in a sustainable way in Guatemala and Mexico. A full pound of whole bean or ground dark roast, house blend or decaf will be \$12 and makes a great Thanksgiving or Christmas gift!

Some of the Turkish Muslim community will be joining us here for dinner on Saturday, Nov. 14 at 6 pm. Please let me know if you are coming, so I can let you know what to bring.

**Thank you. S. Sheral**



**Archbishop's Hour, KSFB 1260 AM Immaculate Heart Radio**-Immaculate Heart Radio and The Archdiocese SF will unveil a new Immaculate Heart Radio program called the **"Archbishop's Hour"** Oct. 30th at 9 a.m. on KSFB-1260 AM Radio. The program will feature Archbishop Niederauer, interviews with members of the local Church, prominent speakers, teachers of the faith, and other guests. There will be an encore broadcast on the weekends.

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  
Alfonso Hernandez & Sandra Dill**

## HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

**Sacred Heart Cathedral S.F.**-October 24th, 9a.m.-1p.m.  
**Mercy High School, Burlingame**-October 25th, 9a.m.  
**Saint Ignatius**-November 8th, 1p.m.-3:30p.m.  
**Serra High School**-December 3rd, 7p.m.

## Did You Know?

### Take the Child Safety Quiz

Parents, guardians, and adults who care for children face constant challenges when trying to help keep children safer in today's fast -paced world. The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) offers easy-to-use safety resources to help address these challenges. NCMEC's Web site offers a range of practical information for parents and guardians that will help keep children safe from harm. The site also features an interactive quiz on child safety designed for both adults and children. To take the quiz, visit the NCMEC web site and click on "Child Safety":

[www.missingkids.com](http://www.missingkids.com). For particular help you may call:

Barbara Elordi, Victim Assistance Coordinator

## Attention all crafty ladies...

**if you or someone "Crafty" you know is interested in table space for**

## **St. Robert's Women's Guild CRAFT NIGHT**

**Thursday, November 12th**

**Please contact Tina Cava  
(650) 871-8009 or [tina\\_cava@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tina_cava@sbcglobal.net)**

**Before Thursday, October 29th, 2009**