

Saint Robert's Church



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DIRECTORY PHOTO SESSIONS



Lifetouch

will be here to take family pictures
for the directory on

November 10th-14th

*You can schedule appointments by:
going on line at SaintRoberts.org,
after weekend Masses,
calling Patty Linehan at 291-4833,
email her at Patty06009@aol.com
or calling
Virginia Yanke at 877-0800.*

Remember you get one free portrait and a
free directory per family when you take a
picture for the directory. Directory is expected
in February 2010.

Make your appointment today!!!!

Dear Friends:



"Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood."

Mk12:41-44

Having always watched my parents put money into the envelopes and wanting to be the one to put it in the basket I never stopped to think about how much was in there. As an adult now, I don't truly think about the cash amount or how it affects my "bottom line" for the week, but I do make a conscious effort to give what I can without thought to the dollar amount.

Money has never been a focus in my life. Even now my daughter loves to snatch coins from my car coin tray and **save them** in her car seat (her own personal savings and loan). She is never really aware of how much she has saved up but when someone needs help she is the first to offer "her money". She surprised us this year when we counted up the coins she had collected – it came to \$80. She put some in the bank and brought some to church because she wanted to put her OWN money into the collection. If I have taught her this much about caring for the common good, then I believe I have started to do a good job! She sees value in sharing what you have!

Our lives present us with challenges each day. This week let's challenge ourselves to share what we have no matter what the cost. **All good** things come back to us in God's time. So often we hear phrases that stick with us – one of my favorites is **You Get What You Give**. What have you given? Has it been from the heart? Is it of value? Whether it be personal value or financial makes no difference – it is in the giving that we receive!

God Bless each of you –

Joanne Bartolotti

HANDS ON and HEARTS IN!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday–November 9th

Mass Intention	6:30	Andrea Wong †
	8:30	All Souls †
Men's Club	6:30pm	Hall
St. Vincent de Paul	7:00pm	Mahoney Room

Tuesday–November 10th

Mass Intention	6:30	Norma Grant †
	8:30	All Souls †
Adult Rel Ed	9:15am	Mary's Chapel
Directory Photos	2:00pm	Convent
<i>(by appt only)</i>		
Rel Ed	3:30pm	Church & Hall
Legion of Mary	6:30pm	Library
Rel Ed/Jr. High	7:00pm	Hall

Wednesday–November 11th

Mass Intention	6:30	Communion Service
	8:30	Aldo Alchera †
Directory Photos	2:00pm	Convent
<i>(by appt only)</i>		
Scripture Study	7:30pm	Mary's Chapel

Thursday–November 12th

Mass Intention	6:30	Communion Service
	8:30	Charles & Rita Agius †
Directory Photos	2:00pm	Convent
<i>(by appt only)</i>		
Women's Guild	6:30pm	Hall
RCIA	7:00pm	Convent Chapel

Friday–November 13th

Mass Intention	6:30	James D. Young †
	8:30	Karen Callicotte †
Directory Photos	2:00pm	Convent
<i>(by appt only)</i>		

Saturday–November 14th

Mass Intention	8:30	Elsa Rolfes †
	4:30	Bill Duffey †
AA	9:30am	Mahoney Room
Muslim Dinner	3:00pm	Hall

Sunday–November 15th

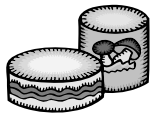
Mass Intention	7:30	Elsa Rolfes †
	9:30	Joseph Busuttill †
	11:30	Mary Isonio †
	5:00	People of St. Robert's

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



As a Parish Community we pray ... for leaders of our government, may their decisions and social policies be in accord with the rule of love and the dignity of the human person.

Our sincere sympathy to the family of
Doris Attard
who died recently.



THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION:

St. Vincent de Paul is asking for Turkey Certificates. In a few weeks our volunteers will be delivering Thanksgiving food bags to over 30 families in San Bruno. We need turkey stuffing mix, cans of cranberry sauce, gravy, yams, instant mashed potatoes and other non-perishable food items. Please bring your gift to the baskets placed on the altar steps. Help us continue our Thanksgiving tradition as we share our blessings with those in need.

NEIGHBOR HELPING NEIGHBOR

November is the month of Thanksgiving. We at St. Robert's have so much to be thankful for. Children's Liturgy will sponsor a food drive to benefit San Bruno Catholic Worker House. We ask the children to bring food items on Sunday and place it in the food basket outside of Little Church. Let us help fill their food pantry so that others have a bountiful Thanksgiving.



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS



- Victoria Tuvilla
- Carlos Sanchez & Maya Haskins
- Sok Woo Yoon & Angelina Bisconte & Family
- Randy & Mingzhi Ibay & Family
- Jonathan Byrne & Thuy Vo & Family
- Daniel & Michelle Almeda

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.

**Second Collection
For Annual Appeal
Next Weekend
November 14-15**

There will be a second collection to assist the parish in covering our assessment to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. Our assessment must be paid whether or not we reach the goal of our Annual Appeal goal. For the 2008 Annual Appeal we fell almost \$10,000 short of our goal. The parish had to make up this difference from parish funds.

The parish finance committee reviewed the statistics of the campaign. One critical factor was the number of families who participated by making a pledge or a one time gift. Last year only 360 families out of 2221 registered families. This equates to approximately 16% who participated in the Archbishop's Appeal.

The parish finance council passed a resolution to institute a quarterly second collection to give the opportunity for more families to participate in the Archbishop's Appeal. This year our assessment is \$98,400. To date we have received pledges and gifts in the amount of \$90,297.32 from 500 families. Please help us to make our assessment this year.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

July 1st to Nov. 1st (goal)	180,900.00
July 1st to Nov. 1st (actual)	165,555.19
7/1/09-6/30/10 Weekly Goal	10,050.00
Collection (actual 11/01)	9,344.95
E Cont (Month of October)	2,631.00

Thank you for your generous donation of
\$2,405.59
to our School, CCD and Confirmation

MINISTER SCHEDULE/NOV 14 & 15

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Hanley (C)

Y. Olcomendy, C. Holland, D. Hageman, T. Dachauer,
A. Ciraulo, D. Bisagno, J. Waldvogel

Lectors: C. Clarke and M. Dachauer

Altar Servers: J. Jauregui and C. McHale

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Vassallo (C)

R. Jardin, R. Lahoz, T. Montross, J. Aldinger

Lectors: J. Thomson and A. Reyes

Altar Servers: A. Controneo and L. Clifford

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Ring

Eucharistic Ministers: J. Sexton (C)

T. Jones, J. Kelly, M.A. Saisi, L. Canaya, L. Rodrigues,
A. Sollis, C. Zollezi, M. Zamattia

Lectors: F. Abellana and J. Valdez

Altar Servers: A. Kusak, J. Marty and D. Marty

Children's Liturgy: Mark & Hilda and Gus

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Giusto (C)

D. Murphy, H. Mantler, C. Forsell, R. Benavente, L. Jovero,
M. Nuti, V/L Piccinini, J. Yee

Lectors: M. Estelita and F. Firpo

Altar Servers: F. Valle and K. Ravelo

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Schaukowitz

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Dowden (C)

P. Landholt, G. Landholt, V. Lopez, C. Lopez, A. Lopez,
M. Elmore, K. Welch, M. Aberouette

Lector: G. Picazo and H. Lowood

Altar Servers: E. Wright and T. Lopez

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday–November 9th

Readings: Ez 47:1-2,8-9,12 1 Cor 3:9c-11,16-17 Jn 2:13-22

Tuesday–November 10th

Readings: Wis 2:23—3:9 Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday–November 11th

Readings: Wis 6:1-11 Lk 17:11-19

Thursday–November 12th

Readings: Wis 7:22b—8:1 Lk 17:20-25

Friday–November 13th

Readings: Wis 13:1-9 Lk 17:26-37

Saturday–November 14th

Readings: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9 Lk 18:1-8

Sunday–November 15th

Readings: Dn 12:1-3 Heb 10:11-14,18 Mk 13:24-32

2009 Centerplate Schedule



Thurs Nov 12 49er vs Chicago 5:20 p.m. Lv. 12:30 p.m.
Sun Nov 29 49er vs Jacksonville 1:05 p.m. Lv. 8:15 a.m.
Mon Dec 14 49er vs Arizona 5:30 p.m. Lv. 12:30 p.m.
Sun Dec 27 49er vs Detroit 1:05 p.m. Lv. 8:15 a.m.

Name _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

Sign up on-line at 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 October 28th are \$50,403.79

AIDS LUNCH –November 11th

The second Wednesday of the month, 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.



**St. Robert's School
will be selling paper scrip
and scrip gift cards
after mass next weekend
November 14th and 15th.**

Men's Club Meeting

Monday Nov 9th
Doors open at 6pm

\$ 20.00 for dinner and raffle

EAT HAM

This is the **ONE** Men's Club Meeting
you do **NOT** want to miss!!!!!!

for information or RSVP, contact Tim Fuller:
(650) 280-9800 tim.fuller@rgcreations.com



St. Robert's Women's Guild Annual Craft Night

Thursday, November 12th, 6:30pm

\$12. Appetizers, bar, craft fair, raffle.

RSVP srwomensguild@yahoo.com

*All tables are full, we cannot
accept any more crafters
at this time"*



Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors!

If you haven't received recent e-mails from me or have changed your e-mail address or recently acquired one, please send me your e-mail at rsSheral@saintroberts.org. We will be doing the availability forms and schedules on line and only mailing them to those who don't have e-mail. **Thank you. Sr. Sheral**

Living the Liturgy

Of Widows and Generosity

In the first reading, the prophet Elijah asks a destitute widow for bread and water, insisting that she feed him before her son and herself. Because of her generosity, he promises her that she will have enough until the rains come and the drought is over. And so it happens. In the gospel, Jesus excoriates those who “devour the houses of widows.” We can imagine his anger at those who sold subprime mortgages to people whom they knew could never afford them and to the Ponzi schemers who have literally bankrupted people of their life savings. We might wonder if those who “put in large sums” to the treasury were contributing ill-gotten gain. Jesus’ holds up as an example the widow who out of the very little she has, gives everything.

If you’ve ever been to a poor country or to the poorer parts of this country, you may have experienced the same generosity. When I worked at Mission Dolores, I was constantly impressed by the homeless men who would only take one pair of socks and one pair of underwear, knowing that there were many others who would need socks and underwear as well.

Our country and our state are in a strange way. Our parish, unlike many in the archdiocese, has not experienced a drastic drop in the collection. Thank you. Your generosity in this difficult time gives continued evidence of your commitment and your trust in God.

Many of the people whose names surround us as we pray in church were simple people of profound faith. Most of us older adults grew up with parents who worked hard, prayed a lot, watched every penny, and taught us to be careful with our money. The opportunity for us to help our children and grandchildren to learn the same lessons has been thrust upon us. Is this the year when we decide not to give Christmas presents except to the children in our families? Might we give the practical gifts they need instead of the unnecessary gadgets which they want? Could we give the gift of time to the adults whom we love? A walk in the park? A meal prepared together? An offer of babysitting? May the Spirit help us discover creative ways of expressing our love which don’t cost a lot of money! *Peace, S. Sheral*

At Home with the Word

If you’d like a wonderful resource to help you understand the Sunday readings, I have some copies of [At Home with the Word](#) for the coming liturgical year. The book is \$8 and includes all the readings with background information for each one. It also contains the scriptural citations for the weekday readings. Please give me a call this week at the parish at 589-2800 or e-mail me at rssheral@saintroberts.org if you’re interested. There are others who would like any books I have left.

“My deepest vocation is to be a witness to the glimpses of God I have been allowed to catch.”
Henri Nouwen

USCCB NATIONWIDE Tell Congress: Remove Abortion Funding & Mandates from Needed Health Care Reform

Congress is preparing to debate health care reform legislation on the House and Senate floors. Genuine health care reform should protect the life and dignity of all people from the moment of conception until natural death. The U.S. bishops’ conference has concluded that all committee-approved bills are seriously deficient on the issues of abortion and conscience and do not provide adequate access to health care for immigrants and the poor. The bill will have to change or the bishops have pledged to oppose them.

Our nation is at a crossroads. Policies adopted in health care reform will have an impact for good or ill for years to come. None of the bills retains longstanding current policies against abortion funding or abortion coverage mandates, and none fully protects conscience rights in health care.

As the U.S. bishops’ letter of October 8 states: “No one should be required to pay for or participate in abortion. It is essential that the legislation clearly apply to this new program longstanding and widely supported federal restrictions on abortion funding and mandates, and protections for rights of conscience. No current bill meets this test...If acceptable language in these areas cannot be found, we will have to oppose the health care bill vigorously.”

For the full text of this letter and more information on proposed legislation and the bishop’s advocacy for authentic health care reform visit: www.usccb.org/healthcare. Congressional leaders are attempting to put together final bills for floor consideration. Please contact your Representative and Senators today and urge them to fix these bills with the pro-life amendments noted below. Otherwise much needed health care reform will have to be opposed. Health care reform should be about saving lives, not destroying them.

ACTION: Contact Members through email, phone calls or FAX letters.

- To send a pre-written, instant e-mail to Congress go to www.usccb.org/action.
- Call the U.S. Capitol switchboard at 202-224-3121 or call your Members’ local offices.
- Full contact info can be found on Members’ web sites at www.house.gov & www.senate.gov.

MESSAGE TO SENATE:

“During floor debate on the health care reform bill, please support an amendment to incorporate longstanding policies against abortion funding and in favor of conscience rights. If these serious concerns are not addressed, the final bill should be opposed.”

MESSAGE TO HOUSE:

“Please support the Stupak Amendment that addresses essential pro-life concerns on abortion funding and conscience rights in the health care reform bill. Help ensure that the Rule for the bill allows a vote on this amendment. If these serious concerns are not addressed, the final bill should be opposed.”

WHEN: Both House and Senate are preparing for floor votes now. **Act today! Thank you!**