

# Saint Roberts Church



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## Changes in Communion Distribution

In response to requests from many parishioners, we will be distributing Holy Communion only in the front of the church beginning next weekend. There will be six Eucharistic Ministers positioned across the front of the sanctuary. We ask those who have mobility issues to please sit in the front pews on the choir side. The priest will then bring Holy Communion to you in your seats.



You are cordially  
invited  
to the installation of  
Rev. Roberto "Obet" A. Andrey  
as Pastor  
Sunday, March 14, 2010  
at the 11:30 a.m. Mass  
in which  
Archbishop George Neiderauer  
will preside.  
*Reception immediately following  
In Hennessy Hall.*





**As a Parish Community we pray ...**

THAT GOD WILL FILL THE HOMES OF ALL MARRIED COUPLES WITH FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE.



**WE CONGRATULATE THE NEWLY BAPTIZED**

Colette Buu Huynh  
Raiza Alexis Maranan

Our sincere sympathy to the families of



Carmen Deguara,  
John Henry Voreyer,  
Melinda Aguiniga  
and Arcelia Juarez  
who died recently.

*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:  
Lito Badiable, Genaro Badiable and  
Marie Fe Badiable***

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
AND SOUP SUPPERS -**

**PRAYER, FASTING AND ALMSGIVING:**

All are invited to our Church for Stations at 6PM each Friday during Lent. After this time of reflection and prayer, we will go to Hennessy Hall to share a sacrificial meal of soup, salad, bread and fruit. We ask that you give what you would have spent on your Friday dinner to our St. Vincent de Paul Society. They will use it to provide food to our sisters and brothers in need. There will be a basket for your donation on the serving table. This is an opportunity for us to pray together and for members of our Parish family to get to know one another.

**On Friday, February 19th,  
Father Paul  
will lead the Stations  
and the Women's Guild  
will host the supper.**

**ST. ROBERT'S RESPECT LIFE GROUP**

***There will be a meeting of the Respect Life Group on Tuesday, February 23 at 7:00 p.m. in Mary's Chapel.***

Thank you to the "parents" that participated in the Spiritual Adoption Project. A total of 58 babies were spiritually adopted. Look for your baby's growth progress each month on the Church Bulletin Board (at the entrance of the church). Any questions, please contact Mary Nunnery at 588-6349.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

We will be handing out the devotional booklets to the children today so that they can begin their journey toward Easter on Ash Wednesday. Please take the time to read the little devotion with your children. Make it a family affair.

**CHANGE BUILDS A CHURCH**

As a parish we will be helping Fr. Nnanna build a church in Nigeria. The children will be bringing home an envelope they can fill with change during the week and return it each Sunday to Little and Middle Church as their offering during Lent.

**UNDERWEAR AND SOCKS**

We are also going to help Catholic Worker House again this year with an underwear and socks drive. Please deposit the items in the basket in front of Little church. They are in desperate need.

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

July 1st to Feb. 7th (goal)	321,600.00
July 1st to Feb. 7th (actual)	308,475.23
7/1/09-6/30/10 Weekly Goal	10,050.00
Collection (actual 02/07)	9,390.22

Thank you for your generous donation of  
**\$2,229.85**  
to our School, CCD and Confirmation Programs.

**2009 Contribution Statements**  
Please call the Rectory if you would like a contribution statement for your taxes.

# MINISTER SCHEDULE/Feb 20 & 21

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

**Presider:** Fr. Obet

**Eucharistic Ministers:** C. Holland (C)

T. Dachauer, J. Scannell, D. Bisagno, A. Ciraulo

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

**Altar Servers:** C. McHale and M. McHale

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

**Presider:** Fr. Ring

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

J. Jackson, R. Lahoz, T. Montross, M. Nunnery

**Lectors:** A. Clifford and T. Clifford

**Altar Servers:** K. Thomson and L. Clifford

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

**Presider:** Fr. Paul

**Eucharistic Ministers:** G. Sinks (C)

T. Smerdel, K. Semenza, J. Sexton, L. Cesca

**Lectors:** J. Bendick and T. Tullius

**Altar Servers:** M. Grealish, A. Sciaqua and B. Simpson

**Children's Liturgy:** Mark & Hilda and Ben & Lisa

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

**Presider:** Fr. Obet

**Eucharistic Ministers:** B. Chester (C)

N. Bamba, M. Nuti, E. Sanchez, J. Yee

**Lectors:** H. Valle and F. Firpo

**Altar Servers:** S. Stelmashenko and F. Valle

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

**Presider:** Fr. Paul

**Eucharistic Ministers:** C. Lopez (C)

A. Lopez, V. Lopez, G. Landholt, P. Landholt

**Lector:** B. Lopez and J. Marty

**Altar Servers:** D. Rodriguez and A. Davis

### **WEEKLY READINGS**

#### Monday-February 15th

Readings: Jas 1:1-11 Mk 8:11-13

#### Tuesday-February 16th

Readings: Jas 1:12-18 Mk 8:14-21

#### Wednesday-February 17th

Readings: Jl 2:12-18 2 Cor 5:20—6:2 Mt 6:1-6,16-18

#### Thursday-February 18th

Readings: Dt 30:15-20 Lk 9:22-25

#### Friday-February 19th

Readings: Is 58:1-9a Mt 9:14-15

#### Saturday-February 20th

Readings: Is 58:9b-14 Lk 5:27-32

#### Sunday-February 21st

Readings: Dt 26:4-10 Rom 10:8-13 Lk 4:1-13

# Living the Liturgy

## Blessings and Woes

The Beatitudes which we hear today are probably among the most familiar passages in the gospels. But have we ever REALLY heard them? If we dare to, as we look to this coming Ash Wednesday, we will be unsettled. Perhaps, the photos and stories we have seen and heard of the Haitians will help us understand. They are surely poor, hungry, and weeping and must wonder why the world's assistance is taking so long to reach the outlying regions of Port au Prince. And yet they sing and pray and the great majority of them, these brothers and sisters of ours, make the best of a horrendous situation. Another translation of "blessed" is "happy" and the faces of the children reflect joy when they receive the smallest portion of food.

What about ourselves? Those of us who have grown up poor and have known hardship and hunger must have a different appreciation for a good meal than those of us who've always had enough to eat. If we're accustomed to what our society calls "the good life" what might our obligation be to those who have so little? If you've ever visited with the people in a poor country, you've no doubt been awed by their generosity. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor statistics, the poorest fifth of Americans give more than twice as much to charity (4.3% of income) as the wealthiest fifth (2.1% of income). With this being the third consecutive year of drought in our state, unemployment has reached record rates, over 40% in some communities resulting in food shortages, and adverse impacts on the stability of families and businesses.

Luke's community was always concerned about the poor, as Jesus was. In Matthew's version, the words "in spirit" are added, perhaps, to soften the statement. Only Luke includes "the woes", but perhaps we need to hear them at this time in our history. There is an invitation and a challenge contained in the woes. Can we trust the Spirit enough to listen to them? **Peace, S. Sheral**

## Change for Churches

You'll recall that each year, our parish Social Concerns group has helped us to direct our Lenten sacrificial offerings to one global effort. Two years ago, you donated 1500 bednets for the malaria-stricken villages of sub-Saharan Africa. Last year, you provided the \$14,000 it took to survey, build and install a Play Pump for a village in Malawi. The last thing Fr. Bruce said to me while he was still feeling pretty well was this: "You know how we always collect money for a good cause during Lent? Could you do that for Fr. Emmanuel next Lent?" I assured him that we would do that. So, this year, we want to help Fr. Emmanuel Nnanna Egwe build a church for one of his many villages. There will be envelopes in the pews for your donation. If you give by check, please make it out to St. Robert's; the parish will make out one check after Easter. Thank you in advance. **S. Sheral and the Social Concerns Group**

## E CONTRIBUTIONS

As you are preparing your budgets for 2010, now might be a good time to consider using e-contributions for your parish donations. For more information you can look at the parish web page at SaintRoberts.org and locate the button on the right side of the page.

E-contributions can be used for your Sunday offering, 2nd Collection and Archbishop's Annual Appeal. To start, go to E-paluch.com and follow the easy steps. You may make contributions weekly, semi-monthly or monthly using your credit card or bank account. There is no charge to you for this service, and if you need assistance with the set up, please call Deacon Duffey at 589-2800. Thank you.



## Women's Guild Dinner Dance

Don't miss out on this year's Women's Guild Dinner Dance on **March 20th**. Tickets will be available after all masses. Questions please contact Carolyn Uroz at 650-302-8850.

## Singing or Playing for Triduum

If you can't commit to singing or playing an instrument every week, but would like to join the combined choir for Holy Thursday and Holy Saturday evening Masses, the Good Friday afternoon liturgy at 1:30 pm, and/or Easter Sunday at 11:30 am, we'd love to have you! Practices are Wednesdays during Lent at 7 pm in the church. Please contact Kevin Imbimbo at [kji@sanbrunocable.com](mailto:kji@sanbrunocable.com) or call him at 678-0491.

## Consolation Ministry Grief Support Group February 20th

Our next meeting is on February 20th 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.

## **ANNIVERSARY MASS**

**Saturday, February 27th at 12 Noon**

at St. Mary of the Assumption  
Cathedral

1111 Gough Street in San Fran-  
cisco.



Bishop William Justice cordially extends an invitation to all married couples of the Archdiocese of San Francisco and beyond to a Solemn Eucharistic Celebration and renewal of vows. Registration forms are available by download at [www.sffamilylife.com](http://www.sffamilylife.com) or email [sfeath@gmail.com](mailto:sfeath@gmail.com) or call (707) 552-3394. Special honor will be shown to those who are celebrating their 25th, 50th or 50+ Wedding Anniversaries.

## **Lenten Directives**

Anyone older than 14 years of age is to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent, including Good Friday. Anyone between 18 and 59 years of age is to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. One full meal is allowed and two smaller meals, not to equal the full meal. If ability to work is affected or you have health concerns, the law does not apply.

On Ash Wednesday, purple fliers with information on the liturgies and services we offer here at St. Robert's will be in the pews. Please take one and give it to a friend, neighbor or family member who might be prompted by the Spirit to return to the practice of their childhood faith.

## **CalGrant Workshop**

A workshop to assist graduating seniors to apply for state-funded CalGrants will take place on Saturday, February 20 from 9 am to 1 pm at South San Francisco High School, 400 B St. The process usually takes about an hour. CalGrants offer up to \$9,700 a year to pay for college expenses to qualifying colleges, universities and career schools. Be sure to go to [www.calgrants.org](http://www.calgrants.org) or [jbelli@ssfusd.org](mailto:jbelli@ssfusd.org) or call Jackie Belli at 871-8752 to find out what information you need to bring.

## **Job Search Assistance**

Many of the parishes in the southern part of San Mateo County (Saints Gregory, Mathew, Luke, Catherine) are participating in a free program to assist unemployed and underemployed parishioners through multi-parish gatherings. There are two workshops being offered this month to which you are invited: for executives and senior management, Feb.22-25, 9 am to 5 pm; for office workers and supervisors, Feb. 27, 9:30 am to 4:30 pm; recent college graduates, Mar. 4-5 from 9 am to 5 pm. Please contact [inquiries@careerinnovate.com](mailto:inquiries@careerinnovate.com), call 574-1870 or see S. Sheral for detailed fliers.

## **Church of the Epiphany**

**827 Vienna Street  
in San Francisco,**

will be rededicating  
the Gym in Nano Nagle Hall to  
Monsignor Bruce Dreier's Gym.

This event will take place over a two day period  
on Saturday and Sunday,  
February 27th & 28th.

**GO AS FAR AS YOUR COURAGE WILL CARRY YOU.**

On Sunday, February 28, from 2:00 - 4:30 p.m.,

celebrate the legacy of Sr. Dorothy Stang, SND.

Notre Dame High School (Dining Room)

1540 Ralston Avenue, Belmont

RSVP: call 650-486-2181 or email [powelson@sndden.org](mailto:powelson@sndden.org).

**You will be inspired by  
performance artist Sr. Jon  
Julie Sullivan, impassioned  
brother David Stang,  
co-worker/friend Marlene  
DeNardo, and others.**

**A raffle (including fair trade  
goodies, eco items and an  
iPod!) and a reception with  
refreshments will follow.**

**RSVP now. This event is  
limited to the first 200 people  
who respond.**

For more information on Dorothy Stang, please visit these websites:

The Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, California Province

[www.snddenca.org](http://www.snddenca.org) and [www.dorothystang.org](http://www.dorothystang.org)

**St. Robert's School will be selling paper scrip and scrip gift cards  
after mass next weekend (Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>)."**