

Saint Robert's Church



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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.

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.

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

Dear Parishioners,

As I sat in Gene's chair, sipping Hawaiian Pineapple tea, I asked him, "What should I write about for the bulletin?" This is the question I have asked him for the last 20 years. He whispered to my heart, "First of all, the new plants need water." So I went out onto our deck with my watering can. The white butterfly, who greets me each time I open the sliding door, glided past me and landed on a bright orange nasturtium. With that, came these thoughts:

Gene was called home by our Heavenly Father, nine months ago today. I miss seeing his bright blue eyes and warm, teasing grin and hearing his wake-up song --- "Oh What a Beautiful Morning". I miss listening to his same old jokes and stories over and over again. I miss hearing our garage door open and his footsteps on the stairs. Still I feel his presence with me at all times. I talk to him throughout the day and during the night when I find it difficult to sleep. As he did when he was beside me, Gene brings rest to my soul. When I long to have him back, I hear Jesus' words: "(Gene) has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from (him)."

At Mass, I miss watching him climb the sanctuary steps and walk back and forth up and down the aisle, preparing for our Eucharistic celebration. So many of you have told me how very much you miss Gene too. I have heard that it takes six people to do the jobs Gene always did and I believe it. He loved every minute of his time at St. Robert's (his second home). So I tell him, "Hon, everything is getting done."

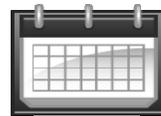
What do you give someone who lives in Heaven? My gift to him is planting flowers in pots on the deck, watering them and tending his garden. It is a very different kind of tending though. The crabapple tree didn't get pruned in January and has grown six feet at least. It had more blossoms on it this Spring than ever before. The pyracantha bushes aren't evenly rounded, but wildly reach toward heaven. His garden isn't neat and precise like Gene always kept it, but it is natural and lovely all the same. The geranium bushes in the front garden are huge and need to be trimmed, but their red and pink flowers are so beautiful. I don't want to disturb them. The nasturtiums have wandered from the backyard, under the fence to the side of the front yard, but they are so colorful and cheer my heart. Life is very different without Gene, but as he always told me: "Life is good"!

To those of you who have lost a loved one (who among us has not), please know that their love for you goes on forever. Heaven isn't "way up there". God dwells in Heaven and God is everywhere. I figure that He encourages those we love who have died to come to us when we need them, to console, comfort and guide us. They remain an extension of God's love for us. I know that God is always with me and so is Gene May.

Some day, may each of you enjoy "the better part"...

Anna May.

THE WEEK AHEAD



Monday-July 19th

Mass Intention 6:30 Joe Bertolucci
8:30 Stanley Mohr †

Tuesday-July 20th

Mass Intention 6:30 Henry Parratto †
8:30 Walter Strizic †
Legion of Mary 6:30pm Library

Wednesday-July 21st

6:30 Communion Service
Mass Intention 8:30 Tom Gilleran †

Thursday-July 22nd

6:30 Communion Service
Mass Intention 8:30 Fr. Joseph Healy †

Friday-July 23rd

Mass Intention 6:30 Mary Clancy
8:30 Rosita Gabrel †

Saturday-July 24th

Mass Intention 8:30 Paul & Rosina Vella †
4:30 Ernest Ronzani †
AA Mtg 9:30am Mahoney Room

Sunday-July 25th

Mass Intention 7:30 Mocelin & Emilio
Families †
9:30 Salvatore Salvato †
11:30 Rita Fambrini †
5:00 People of St. Robert's

Please Help

Catholic Worker Hospitality House is in desperate need of help. They are in need of - canned fruit - canned soup - men's underwear (size 32-38) and socks - Coffee, creamer, and sugar. For more information on more ways to help please call Peter Stiehler (650) 827-0706.

St. Anthony's Needs Us!

With the usual student volunteers on vacation, St. Anthony's Dining Room really needs our help on weekdays and weekends. August dates are: 8/5, 8/7, 8/8, 8/10, 8/11, 8/12, 8/13, 8/14, 8/16, 8/18, 8/19, 8/20, 8/22, 8/23, 8/29. Weekday slots are 9:30 - 1 pm; weekend slots are 9:30 - 1:45 pm. Why not get your friends together for a day of service? It's easily accessible by BART. Please respond directly to DGould@stanthonysf.org or call Dolores at 415-592-2704. Thank you

LIVING THE LITURGY

Mary and Martha

The furnace went out in the house I share with four other Franciscans, so we called someone to fix it. The gentleman who came is a St. Gregory's parishioner who has children at Serra, Mercy and St. Gregory's. Among the many matters we discussed was his concern that he often needs to work on Sundays which he knows is supposed to be a day of rest. He prays before he goes to each job, asking God to help him; he is a person of faith. Among the 140 Sisters at our gathering in Denver this past week was an 85 year old who had recently returned from spending 10 months in Poland teaching our Sisters English. The young American killed with several Ugandans had felt a call to assist the children rebuilding their lives after years of conflict. Our Sister who was leading the days reminded us that, in Jesus, we have "a God with skin."

These people all remind me of the heart of today's readings: service of others and prayer. The Genesis reading relates a typical Middle Eastern custom: the hospitality to a guest takes precedence over everything else. Mary does this by sitting at Jesus' feet, listening to his every word. Martha does the practical (traditionally women's) work of preparing the meal, as Sarah and the servants do in the first reading. Luke places this episode immediately after the Good Samaritan which we heard last weekend,. The Samaritan and these women –all marginalized in their society – are among those Jesus praises earlier in Luke's gospel: "My mother and brothers [and sisters] are those who hear the word of God and put it into practice." (Lk. 8.21)

Jude Siciliano, OP points out that "In Luke's time, women performed many ministries, apostolic work, leadership, and gospel proclamation (eg. Rom. 16. 1, 3-5; 16.6,12; 1Cor.16.19; Phil. 4.3)." (*First Impressions, July 17, 2010*) But in the early Church, as today, there was a division over the roles of women. Perhaps, Luke's opinion is expressed in having Jesus praise Mary, the silent, passive one over the active Martha. Yet Mary is seated where only men were to be found, signifying that the values of that time were not going to limit who could become Jesus' disciple.

The bottom line is that we're all – men and women - called to be Martha and Mary, to live out our service of others from the prayerful awareness of how much God loves us and the person(s) we are serving. Without some sort of service, our love of God can be sterile. Without reflection and prayer, we can be workaholics on an ego trip. In these times of financial stress for so many, we need to discern what God is asking of us in terms of service and prayer. God's call for each of us will depend on our physical state, our energy level, our responsibilities to work and family. For some of us, our prayer for the needs of the world will be our service. For others, our service will need to be grounded in brief periods of prayer, as we do dishes or wait to pick up children or grandchildren. A website you might find helpful is www.other6.com; it gives you a chance to post where you found God today and/or where you need to find God today and lets you read the postings by others.

Peace,
S. Sheral



AS A PARISH COMMUNITY, WE PRAY....*for families in economic crisis. May they receive the financial and spiritual support they need.*

WE CONGRATULATE THE NEWLY BAPTIZED



Mya Frances Jacome
Nickolas Bradley Simpson

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 Marianne Cappas

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Under the Missionary Cooperation Plan of the Archdiocese of San Francisco there will be a mission appeal to help the Diocese of Gonaives in Haiti next weekend. Father Chris Beretta will preach at all Masses. Please support this appeal that will benefit the people Haiti.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

July 1st to July 11th (goal)	20,980.00
July 1st to July 11th (actual)	18,018.52
7/1/10-6/30/11 Weekly Goal	10,490.00
Collection (actual 07/11)	7,585.73

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

As of 7/13/10

over 400 families have pledged

\$66,260.15

Our goal this year is \$96,000

Thank you in advance

for your generous donation.

MINISTER SCHEDULE/JULY 24 & 25

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Chris

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Hanley (C)

D. Hageman, A. Ciraulo, J. Brooks, S. Chester,
R. Aveson, P. Arata

Lectors: Barbara Rudometkin and Carol Bonner

Altar Servers: K. Ravelo and C. Lynch

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Ring

Eucharistic Ministers: B. Mullins (C)

E. Ruggiero, F. Reyes, R. Lahoz, B. Albright

Lectors: Jomarie Moresco and Sherm Heaney

Altar Servers: M. Nussbaum and R. Nazzel

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Chris

Eucharistic Ministers: T. Casey (C)

S. Murray, M.A. Saisi, M. Salazar, S. Salazar, A. Solis,
E. Gumban

Lectors: John Marty and Dawn Wilson

Altar Servers: A. Tapia, I. Galindo and L. Fontenot

Children's Liturgy: Family Mass

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Chris

Eucharistic Ministers: C. Pacas (C)

H. Mantler, L. Jovero, C. Forsell, B. Pacas, L. Sing,
L/V Picininni

Lectors: Carmen Pisani and George Khoury

Altar Servers: A. Dharmadi and C. Shick

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Chris

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Dowden (C)

C. Browne, D. Ferris, M. Aberoutte, J. Semeniuk,
M. Mahoney, B. Pace

Lector: Brijit Lopez and Mark Innes

Altar Servers: P. Stack and E. Wright

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-July 19th

Readings: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8 Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday-July 20th

Readings: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday-July 21st

Readings: Jer 1:1, 4-10 Mt 13:1-9

Thursday-July 22nd

Readings: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13 Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Friday-July 23rd

Readings: Jer 3:14-17 Mt 13:18-23

Saturday-July 24th

Readings: Jer 7:1-11 Mt 13:24-30

Sunday-July 25th

Readings: Gen 18:20-32 Col 2:12-14 Lk 11:1-13