

SAINT ROBERT'S CHURCH



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MASS TIMES

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 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 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,

The Gospel is also called the Good News. This weekend's gospel passage is probably difficult to accept as good news. How can we take the words of Jesus in today's gospel passage when he says the following:

"If anyone comes to me without hating his father or mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple."

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple."

"Anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

Now, these sayings are hard to swallow, let alone to follow. And you wonder, "Where is the good news in this?" How can Jesus tell us to despise our family members when he commands us to love one another and to love even our enemies?" Is Jesus contradicting himself when he said these words?

Jesus is talking about relationships in this Sunday's gospel passage. He is telling his disciples that all kinds of relationships are to be based on one's devotion to Jesus and his message. The Lord demands that commitment to him must take precedence. Jesus comes first and everything else is secondary. A true disciple makes sure that someone or something does not get in the way of following Jesus. Unless Jesus is number one in our life, our concern for others may become a form of domination, control, manipulation and exploitation especially of the vulnerable ones among us. Our devotion to Jesus shows us the way to be compassionate.

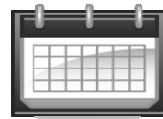
Jesus may sound dramatic and scary in today's gospel passage, but he is really giving us the right formula to have or to develop positive and healthy relationships in our family, in our community and in our society. A personal relationship with Jesus is the key to have a loving relationship with others.

However, choosing Jesus may create tensions, even in the closest families and the oldest friends. The choices and lifestyles that our families may adopt may become a source of conflict. Following Jesus may require us to go against the choices that our families make. This is when discipleship becomes difficult. Discipleship challenges us to pause and consider the price that we are willing to pay in order to follow Jesus. And the price may require us to stand up against the lifestyle that our families adopt.

But I'd like to end here on a positive note concerning family relationships. These days many family members are caring for ailing parents or siblings. While we keep in mind this gospel reading before us, we remember that family love is still a vehicle for God's love and a way to serve Jesus in our needy family members. We are not called to leave everything behind to join a monastery or the Peace Corps. Whatever our calling, we are to respond with a total gift of ourselves to Jesus' invitation to carry our cross and follow him, despite the consequences.

**Blessings,
Father Obet**

THE WEEK AHEAD



Monday-September 6th

LABOR DAY

Mass Intention 8:30 Paul Doyle †
(Parish Office closed today)

Tuesday-September 7th

Mass Intention 6:30 Barbara Boright †
8:30 Anna Kovacevic †

Adult Religious Ed 9:15 am Mary's Chapel
Religious Education 3:30pm Church & Hall
Men's Club 6:30pm Hall
Legion of Mary 6:30pm Library

Wednesday-September 8th

6:30 Communion Service
Mass Intention 8:30 Andrea Wong †
Choir Practice 7:00pm Church

Thursday-September 9th

6:30 Communion Service
Mass Intention 8:30 Bob Waddell †
RCIA 7:00pm Convent

Friday-September 10th

Mass Intention 6:30 David Golia Paladin †
8:30 Ann Marie Fanucchi †
Festival Set Up 3:00pm Yard
Inbetweeners 6:30pm hall

Saturday-September 11th

Mass Intention 8:30 Deacon Jack Bourne †
4:30 C. Angela Foti †
Grief Support 9:00am Mary's Chapel
AA 9:30am Mahoney Room
Festival Set Up 3:00pm Yard & School
Festival Dance 6:00pm Hall

Sunday-September 12th

Mass Intention 7:30 People of St. Robert's
9:30 Caridad Ricardo †
11:30 Judy Daansen †
5:00 Blanche Garcia-
Moreci †
Festival Set Up 3:00pm Yard
Confirmation Yr 2 3:30pm Hall



AS A PARISH COMMUNITY, WE PRAY...
**AS A PARISH COMMUNITY, WE PRAY
 FOR ALL WHO TRAVEL THIS
 HOLIDAY WEEKEND. MAY THEY BE
 RENEWED IN SPIRIT AND RETURN
 HOME SAFELY**



**WE CONGRATULATE
 THE NEWLY BAPTIZED**

Marco Luando Del Rio

**WE CONGRATULATE
 THE NEWLY MARRIED**

Katie Nielsen & Edward Mateo



AIDS LUNCH –Sept. 8th

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.



RUMMAGE SALE - SEPTEMBER



Labor Day is the perfect time to clean out your garage - and then donate your well-loved treasures to our rummage sale!! The Inbetweeners will be hosting a rummage sale on Saturday, September 11 from 8am - 2pm in the church parking lot to benefit the St. Justine Centre of the Disabled in Tanzania. It is a school that educates deaf and hard of hearing children and is operated by the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart. To make a donation or to volunteer to help, please contact Kerry Hansell at 650-871-0272 or by email at kerryhansell@yahoo.com. Make sure you stop by the sale to pick up some new treasures to fill that empty garage!

The new EWTN Program Highlights for Fall, 2010, have arrived and are now available in the vestibule of the Church. Please note that the Pacific times listing are on the reverse side, right column. Also, two new presentations start in September: The Biblical Story of the Mass, Sundays at 2pm, Pacific Time; and, EWTN's new Vatican Report on Monday, September 13 at 3:30pm, Pacific Time, presents reports, interviews, and feature stories from the Vatican.

CONSOLATION MINISTRY

Saint Robert's Grief Support Group's first meeting for the year 2010-2011 will be on **September 11, 2010** 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 together and pray, share, comfort and be comforted. You are invited to bring a friend or companion as a support and strength if you so wish. No one is pressured to speak or contribute if your pain is too intense. Just come.

May God bless and comfort you in your sorrow. If you have any questions, call **Sister Patricia @ 589-0104** or any of the Saint Robert's Consolation Committee.

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY COLLECTION

July 1st to August 29th (goal)	97,410.00
July 1st to August 29th (actual)	84,628.05
7/1/10-6/30/11 Weekly Goal	10,490.00
Collection (actual 08/29)	8,870.62

Thank you for your generous donation of
\$4,267.10
 to our St. Vincent de Paul Society.

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

**As of 8/31/10
 over 400 families have pledged
 \$67,720.15
 Our goal this year is \$96,000
 Thank you in advance
 for your generous donation.**

MINISTER SCHEDULE/SEP 11 & 12

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet

Eucharistic Ministers: D. Bisagno (C)

J. Brooks, T. Dachauer, J. Beltrano, J. Waldvogel,
M. Murphy, K. Martinez

Lectors: Barbara Rudometkin and Christina Clarke

Altar Servers: K. Ravelo and C. McHale

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Vassallo (C)

C. Sorocco, B. Albright, A. Buelow, R. Lahoz

Lectors: Sherm Heaney and Albert Reyes

Altar Servers: S. Jensen and G. Godrey

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Ring

Eucharistic Ministers: J. Sexton (C)

J. Kelly, A. Romine, K. Semenza, M. Bologna,
M.A. Saisi, A. Solis

Lectors: Dawn Wilson and John Bendick

Altar Servers: N. Morgannam, I. Galindo and P. Dickson

Children's Liturgy: Mark & Hilda and Darlene

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Nnanna

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Giusti (C)

D. Murphy, V. Valle, C. Morgan, N. Bamba,
V/L Picininni, H. Mantler

Lectors: Heidi Beck and Frank Firpo

Altar Servers: A. Davis and R. Dharmadi

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet

Eucharistic Ministers: G. Huddleston (C)

T. Estelita, M. Aberoutte, M. Dowden, C. Browne,
M. Mahoney, C. Innes

Lector: Gigi Picazo and Lorena Misculin

Altar Servers: M. Nussbaum and e. Gonzalez

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-September 6th

Readings: 1 Cor 5:1-8 Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday-September 7th

Readings: 1 Cor 6:1-11 Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday-September 8th

Readings: Mi 5:1-4a Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

Thursday-September 9th

Readings: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13 Lk 6:27-38

Friday-September 10th

Readings: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27 Lk 6:39-42

Saturday-September 11th

Readings: 1 Cor 10:14-22 Lk 43-49

Sunday-September 12th

Readings: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14 1 Tm 1:12-17 Lk 15:1-32

LIVING THE LITURGY

Calculating the Cost

The readings today are challenging. The Book of Wisdom from the Hebrew scriptures asks: "Who can know God's counsel, or who can conceive what the Lord intends?" We who live in this age, after Jesus' time on earth are blest with the example of Jesus. In the gospel, he warns the "great crowds" following him that they must give discipleship precedence over even their family concerns and must "carry [their] own cross." Those of us baptized as infants didn't choose to be Catholic, but we do have the opportunity to affirm our parents' choice by consciously letting our being his disciples influence the small choices of daily life and the big ones as well. People who come into the church through the RCIA process are told to consider carefully what changes they'll need to make to be committed followers of Jesus. Throughout the liturgical year, we hear of his reaching out to "the other" – the lepers, the Samaritans, the tax collectors, the public sinners, the woman considered unclean. His example calls us to some uncomfortable attitudes and actions.

For example, you may have heard that the Dove World Church of Gainesville, Florida is inviting people to "Burn the Quran" on Sept. 11. "Islam and Sharia law was responsible for 9/11," Pastor Terry Jones said. "We will burn Qurans because we think it's time for Christians, for churches, for politicians to stand up and say no; Islam and Sharia law is not welcome in the US." But Islam is no more responsible for the tragedy of 9/11 than Christianity is responsible for the hangings by the Ku Klux Klan! The Islamic cultural center – which includes a mosque, but also a conference hall, culinary school, basketball court, and swimming pool - will be open to the wider community of New York City. Its name, Cordoba House, alludes to Muslim Spain I which Islam flourished alongside Christianity and Judaism from the 8th century till the 15th. It is 2 to 5 blocks from Ground Zero (depending on which article you read) and won't even be seen from there. Members of the Muslim community who have been peacefully present in Murfreesboro, Tennessee for 30 years have recently experienced gunshots on the building site of their mosque and the vandalizing of its construction vehicles. Members of Grace Baptist Church and many of the townspeople have expressed their disgust at such intolerance and are publicly supporting their neighbors who are Muslim.

Forgotten in the sometimes violent discourse is the fact that many Muslims were killed in the World Trade Center and that the Muslim imams here condemned the terrorists of 9/11 and declared that they were not in any way following Islam. If we are Jesus' followers, where does our faith in him place us in this controversy? As we approach 9/11, perhaps we can pray for all who died that day, for their families, and for an end to the hatred which fuels such actions.
Peace, S. Sheral

New Orleans, Anyone?

Four of us are going to New Orleans the week after Christmas to help the Sisters of the Holy Family whose motherhouse and ministry sites were inundated by Katrina. Some of them are up and running; others aren't. If you're interested, please see Sr. Sheral or send me an e-mail at rssheral@saintroberts.org. Thanks.

Youth Group Meeting

All members of the Youth Ministry and Teens of the Parish, including those preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation, please come to our first meeting of the school year on Sunday, September 12th, at 2pm in the Convent Chapel. This meeting is also for anyone who would like to join our Youth Ministry; first-timers are welcome. The convent is located at 349 Oak Ave, up the block from the church and school. Please join us.



Cakes, Cookies Brownies.... Your Specialties needed. Your donations are what make the Cake Booth successful each year. Please drop off your generous donation Friday, Sept. 17 at 8am or 12pm at Hennessy Hall. We also welcome and encourage your delicious treats to be dropped off at the Cake Booth throughout the Festival. Please contact Dina Thompson at **650 692 5277** with any questions.



ALOHA SRWG MEMBERS



Come be a part of the spirit and fun of the Women's Guild

The St. Robert's Women's Guild will be hosting its' first meeting and dinner of the year in September!!! We invite returning and new members to join us. As a special offer for this month only, if this is your first SRWG meeting ever, dinner will be complimentary. We hope to see you!!

Make sure to wear your best Hawaiian attire, you'll get a free raffle ticket.

Monday, September 13TH 6:30 p.m.
Hennessy Hall

DINNER: \$12.00 (OPEN BAR)



Prepay Dinner for entire year
(9 months)...\$95.00
(Does not include raffle tickets)



THE FESTIVAL IS COMING!!!!
September 17, 18 & 19, 2010



Plans are under way for this year's annual parish festival. The BBQ and Food Booth and Fr. Bruce's Famous Garlic Fries are in need of your help. Several people are needed to work in these very popular booths and everyone from the parish is welcome to help.

Most shifts are for 2 hours but you can work for as many hours/days as you would like. If you would like to help in any of these booths or can help in any way, please contact Louise and Ray Downs or Jeff and Raquel Downs at noniepapadowns@att.net or by phone at (650) 355-1927

Were going on a Safari adventure with lions, tigers, and BEARS!

September 17-19, 2010



Advertise your business to the entire St. Robert's parish, school, neighbors, friends and families. Generate new customers by introducing your business to hundreds of locals who come each year to enjoy our festival.

There are 3 sponsorship options to choose from:

Platinum	\$325	Your business name will be displayed in our lounge and game booths on a professionally made, 2x6 sign, and a 4 x 8 banner at festival entry.
Gold	\$200	Your business name will be displayed in our lounge and game booths.
Silver	\$100	Your business name will be displayed in our game booths.

(Please return bottom portion to rectory
 c/o Festival Sponsors with check payable to **St. Robert**)
 Your sponsorship and continued support is greatly appreciated!
 (Tax ID# 94-1437729)

Contact Greg or Bridget Collaco if you have any questions (650) 588-1806 or bridgetannc@yahoo.com

I'd love to be a Festival Sponsor! Here is my contact information:

Sponsorship Level (please circle one) **Platinum** **Gold** **Silver**

Name: _____ Company _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number : _____ E-mail: _____

Name to appear on signage: _____

Come join the fun at St. Robert's 2010 Festival



St. Robert's Parish
1380 Crystal Springs Road, San Bruno, California

Friday, September 17th from 6:00-11:00pm
Children's Performances, Ice Cream Social, The Wrong Way Feldman
Band

Saturday, September 18th from 1:00-11:00pm
Hillsdale High Jazz Band, Country Line Dance Lessons, Skyline Blues
Band, West Bay Rhythm Band, and back by popular demand
The Frank & Friends Dinner Show (6 & 8pm seatings)

Sunday, September 19th from 12:30-6:00pm
Bingo, Rock Band, The Mike & George Show and Raffle Drawing

**Valet Parking, Game Booths, Prizes, Carnival Rides, Family Fun,
Food Booths include: Tri-Tip Steak Sandwiches, Garlic Fries &
Lumpia**



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St. Robert's Festival

1380 Crystal Springs Road
San Bruno, CA 94066

*Come join Nanna Jo
& Grandma Carmon!!!*

Sunday afternoon
September 19, 2010

50/50 Split

Doors open at noon

Bingo starts at 1:00 P.M.

Hennessy Hall

by the Church

Free Drawing

Every 1/2 hour

Children welcome!!!

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