

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

## Dear Parishioners:

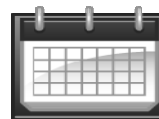
The film "Real Women Have Curves" gives us a glimpse of the persistent, unquenchable faith of Latino women. The film takes place in East Los Angeles, a mainly Latino community. In one of the scenes Ana's godmother comes to visit Ana's mother in the kitchen. She is chatting away about life. Soon Ana's mother is complaining-that Ana doesn't help in the house, she goes out, has no husband, wants to go to Columbia University. The film shows how far this Latino mother will go for the safety she wants for her daughter, setting aside a feminist critique of valuing a daughter for the man she marries. In our 21st century, persistence is a faltering virtue. Yet human dignity demands we persist in the struggle for universal human rights. Mothers persist in praying for their daughters' well-being.

Jesus' parables always begin with ordinary people like Ana's mother and ordinary situations. Parables invite ordinary people beyond the ordinary; they throw us back into recognizing our fundamental relationship to mystery. We can miss the power of Sunday's parable if we don't place ourselves in the context of Luke's community. The widow's story and her voice demanding her rights would perk up the ears of Luke's original listeners. The poor widow represents the helpless and abandoned of the world; she has no legal rights without a husband. She lives at the mercy of those who ought to protect her. Jesus is a new Moses whose outstretched arms bring us all closer to God on our perilous journeys. Our journeys to freedom come through struggle. Only faithfulness with God assures victory and saves us from losing heart. The poor of the world seem victims of the powerful, pawns of the almighty. Yet our heritage is one of a hope that comes through faith in the goodness of God.

God Bless,

Deacon John

## THE WEEK AHEAD



### Monday-October 18th

Mass Intention 6:30 Jim Smandra †  
8:30 Bob Waddell †

### Tuesday-October 19th

Mass Intention 6:30 Kitty O'Driscoll †  
8:30 Kathleen Sullivan †

**Adult Religious Ed 9:15 am Mary's Chapel**  
**Religious Education 3:30pm Church & Hall**  
**Legion of Mary 6:30pm Library**  
**Rel Ed/Jr. High 7:00pm Hall**

### Wednesday-October 20th

6:30 Communion Service  
Mass Intention 8:30 Joe Muscat †  
**Choir Practice 7:00pm Church**

### Thursday-October 21st

6:30 Communion Service  
Mass Intention 8:30 Frances Waldvogel †  
**School Board Mtg 7:00pm Mahoney Room**

### Friday-October 22nd

Mass Intention 6:30 Elsie Hansen †  
8:30 Terry & Dolph  
Fasana †  
**Confirmation Reh 6:00pm Hall & Church**

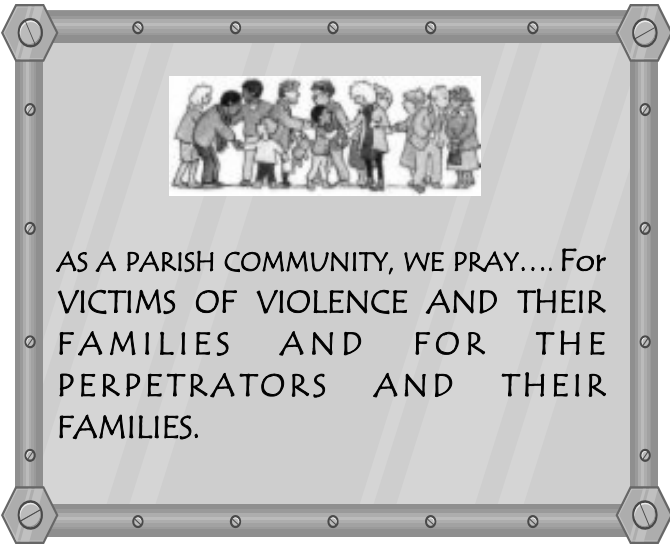
### Saturday-October 23rd

Mass Intention 8:30 Eda Santora †  
4:30 Martin & Jennie  
Ivancich †  
**AA 9:30am Mahoney Room**  
**Confirmation 10:30am Church**  
**Grownup's Set up 1:30pm Hall**  
**Grief Consolation 3:00pm Convent**

### Sunday-October 24th

Mass Intention 7:30 Claire Tallon-Levy †  
9:30 People of St. Robert's  
11:30 Jeanne & Al  
Fambrinit  
5:00 Blanche  
Garcia-Moreci †

**Grownups 11:30am Hall**



## New Orleans Needs Help

Five of us are going to New Orleans from Dec. 27 through Jan 3 to stay with the Holy Family Sisters and help finish up repairs from Hurricane Katrina. They are an African American community, founded by Venerable Harriet Delille, daughter of a slave and her master, who ministered to slaves and other poor persons and founded the community in the 1842. Want to join us? Please contact S. Sheral at sheralmar@aol.com or at 589-2800.


### **WE CONGRATULATE THE NEWLY MARRIED**

Sonja Bravo & Cristian Avanzino




## Parish Global Poverty Day

On Saturday October 30, the Archdiocese of San Francisco is sponsoring a Catholic Relief Services speaker from Haiti and workshops on human trafficking, fair trade, microfinance, the Point 7 Millennium Goals, and parish efforts to confront global poverty. It will take place at St. Mary's Cathedral from 9 am to 4 pm and is free. If you'd like a box lunch, the cost is \$8. Please register at 415-614-5570 or leehelena@sfarchdiocese.org



Our sincere sympathy to the family of  
**Laurieanne "De Aragon" Cox**  
**Julio Borruso**  
**Patricia Jane Klim**  
**Elvira Ronzani**  
who died recently.



## CONSOLATION MINISTRY

**Saint Robert's Grief Support Group's** next meeting will be on **23<sup>rd</sup>, 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. 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.

### St. Robert's "Grownups" Fall Luncheon

The Grownup's fall Luncheon and General Meeting will be held in Henessy Hall on Sunday, October 24 after the 11:30 Mass. Tickets can be purchased after all masses. We look forward to seeing you at Mass and sharing a wonderful lunch.

## STEWARDSHIP WEEKLY COLLECTION

July 1st to October 10th (goal)	160,350.00
July 1st to October 10th (actual)	133,226.76
7/1/10-6/30/11 Weekly Goal	10,490.00
Collection (actual 10/10)	8,835.16

## ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

**As of 10/12/10  
over 400 families have pledged  
\$74,710.17**

**Our goal this year is \$96,000**

*Thank you in advance  
for your generous donation.*

# MINISTER SCHEDULE/Oct 23 & 24

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

**Presider:** Fr. Obet

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

D. Interdonato, K. Martinez, L. Rodriguez, M. Murphy,  
R. Hanley, D. Hageman

**Lectors:** C. Clarke and C. Bonner

**Altar Servers:** D. Rodriguez and J. Silva

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

**Presider:** Fr. Paul

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

C. Soracco, T. Montross, B. Albright, J. Aldinger

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

**Altar Servers:** L. Clifford and A. Cronin

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

**Presider:** Fr. Don

**Eucharistic Ministers:** K. Semenza (C)

M. Lopez, T. Casey, S. Murray, M. Quilici,  
M.A. Saisi, A. Solis

**Lectors:** Student Lector

**Altar Servers:** S. O'Halloran, T. O'Halloran & C. McHale

**Children's Liturgy:** Family Mass

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

**Presider:** Fr. Don

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

H. Mantler, T. Dachauer, L. Cesca, J. Kelly,  
A. Romine, M. Bourne

**Lectors:** J.Cronin and M. Dachauer

**Altar Servers:** F. Valle and A. Sciacqua

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

**Presider:** Fr. Paul

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

D. Ferris, M. Salvato, M. Mahoney, M. Santiago,  
J. Semeniuk, S. Mangold

**Lector:** N. Buenacamino and H. Lowood

**Altar Servers:** E. Gonzalez and C. Osterlund

### **WEEKLY READINGS**

#### Monday-October 18th

Readings: 2 Tm 4:10-17b Lk 10:1-9

#### Tuesday-October 19th

Readings: Eph 2:12-22 Lk 12:35-38

#### Wednesday-October 20th

Readings: Eph 3:2-12 Lk 12:39-48

#### Thursday-October 21st

Readings: Eph 3:14-21 Lk 12:49-53

#### Friday-October 22nd

Readings: Eph 4:1-6 Lk 12:54-59

#### Saturday-October 23rd

Readings: Eph 4:7-16 Lk 13:1-9

#### Sunday-October 24th

Readings: Sir 35:12-14,16-18 2 Tm 4:6-8 Lk 18:9-14

## Living Liturgy

### Persistence for Justice

This weekend's gospel has a strong message, couched in an almost humorous parable. Can you imagine a powerful judge finally giving a just judgment to a seemingly powerless widow for fear that she'll give him a black eye? Her husband's brother should have been coming to plead her cause according to their culture, but she must come on her own, persistently badgering this man who "neither feared God nor respected any human being." This is a wonderful reminder for all of us who plead the cause of those in need of any kind – God will see that justice is done, though it may not be according to our timeline!

As you know, October is "Respect Life Month." You might recall that Cardinal Bernardin of Chicago used to speak of respect for life as a "seamless garment." If we are indeed pro-life, we need to be pro-life on all issues. The California Conference of Bishops has stated, "We are compelled to teach a consistent ethic of life and to speak publicly that the use of the death penalty does not protect human life, does not promote human dignity, and does not reduce violence in our society." As the use of DNA evidence has proven, often those on death row are innocent, even if they've been identified in a line-up. The way in which the imposition of the death penalty is imposed is also unfair: half of all homicide victims are people of color, yet nearly 90% of people executed were convicted of killing whites. During the past eight years, 22 persons with mental disabilities have been executed. Recently, North Carolina's biased State Bureau of Investigation has been found responsible for the unjust execution of four innocent men. In addition, due to the appeals process, it is also much cheaper to lock someone up for life imprisonment without the possibility of parole.

"In his encyclical The Gospel of Life, Pope Benedict XVI called us to choose being 'unconditionally pro-life' and to 'proclaim, celebrate and serve the Gospel of life in every situation.' In every situation--even for a guilty murderer on death row. The dignity of human life must never be taken away; even when someone has committed unspeakable evil...We need to call on our state and federal government to seek other methods in dealing with violent crime." (Jude Siciliano, *OP First Impressions*, Oct. 3, 2010)

If we are trying to live the values we hear every Sunday in the gospel, then we need to reach out in support to the families of the perpetrators as well as the families of the victims. How heartbreaking for both families when a violent crime is committed! Surely, they must feel as poor and helpless as the widow we read about today. Let us pray for all involved in the criminal justice system that just decisions may be rendered and that healing may take place. **Peace, S. Sheral**

### Feast of All Souls

*"It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead."*

November is traditionally the month set aside by our church to commemorate and celebrate the memories of our departed loved ones. This year "*The Feast of All Souls*" falls on Tuesday, November 2. **We are asking you to submit the names of your loved ones**. We will have a special **Wall of Remembrance** with the names of those who died during the period **November 1, 2009 – October 31, 2010**. The names of those buried from St. Robert's and elsewhere *will be written on a scroll, framed and then placed in the sanctuary under the Pascal Candle*. Then a special shrine will be erected in Our Lady's alcove with the names of your loved ones inscribed in a Memorial Book. Please, bring pictures, memorial cards or flowers to place in this shrine all during November.

To guarantee correct spelling, please, e-mail, mail or fax names to the Rectory or to Sister Patricia ([posullivan3@juno.com](mailto:posullivan3@juno.com)) before October 28, 2010. We need a few days to prepare the "**St. Robert's Wall of Remembrance**". Thank you and may God comfort you... *Any questions call Sister Patricia (650)-589-0104*

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**Mercy High School San Francisco  
High School Open House  
October 24th  
3250 - 19th Street  
Promptly begins at 9:00 a.m.  
(415) 584 5929**

### St. Robert Parish Gift Card Fundraiser

Have a birthday coming up, home repair to do or simply purchase groceries? Gift cards from various local retailers will be available to purchase after all masses next weekend, Oct. 23 and 24th. No fees. Cash and checks accepted.

## Centerplate Sign Up

Tuesday, October 19	Championship Series	8:30am	1:00pm
Wednesday October 20	Championship Series	12:15pm	
Thursday, October 21	Championship Series	12:15pm	
Sunday, November 14	49ers vs St. Louis	8:15am	1:00pm
Sunday, November 21	49ers vs Tampa Bay	8:15am	1:00pm
Sunday, December 12	49ers vs Seattle	8:15am	1:00pm
Sunday, January 2, 2011	49ers vs Arizona	8:15am	1:00pm

### Dress Code:

**Centerplate Uniform** - Full length black pants (no jeans or spandex etc.), white shirt with collar, comfortable closed toe and heel shoes.

We will car pool from the rectory. For those working in San Francisco, you can meet the group at the gate.

Volunteers between 16 - 21 years of age must provide a copy of a picture id which includes his/her birth date.

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Return form to: **The Rectory or the School Office.**