

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,

Merry Christmas to you and yours! The beauty of the church, the music, the readings and the homilies were a feast for the eyes and ears these last days. What stays with you? What words seeped into your heart? Has your hope been renewed?

I've always believed that nothing anyone ever does is in vain. Even the simplest act of kindness or respect or forgiveness has an effect. Above my desk, Robert Kennedy's words speak to me: "*Each time [persons] stand up for an ideal, or act to improve the lot of others, or strike out against injustice, [they] send forth a tiny ripple of hope, and crossing each other from a million different centers of energy and daring, those ripples build a current that can sweep down the mightiest walls of oppression and resistance.*"

After the millions of dollars Macy's has spent on advertising, you no doubt realize that *Believe* has been their motto. We might ask, "Believe in what?" "Believe in whom?" Witnessing the outpouring of gifts for the Giving Tree, the Adopt a Family Tree and the baskets for the homebound, and the dedication of those who organized these, we could surely respond, "Believe in the goodness of people!" Knowing that our St. Vincent de Paul Society has delivered food and Scrip to dozens of families in need, we could respond, "Believe in the donation of time and energy which parishioners generously gave!" Enveloped by the beauty and aroma of the Christmas trees and wreaths, the singing by adults and children, the powerful proclamation of the readings and the homilies, we could respond, "Believe in the Incarnation, God becoming human, and his power to change us!"

Thank you to everyone who gave what he or she could and then some. Thank you to parents who made sure their schedules allowed for children to serve or sing. Thanks to Kevin and choir members who played and sang at midnight and the next morning. Thanks to those who cleaned and decorated to transform our church into a place of great rejoicing. Thanks to you who always come and you who sometimes come for your presence today. May you know God is with you in every moment of the coming year! **S. Sheral**

THE WEEK AHEAD



Monday-December 27th

Mass Intention 6:30 Anthony Torres †
8:30 T.J. Shanahan †

Tuesday-December 28th

Mass Intention 6:30 Roy Perenti †
8:30 Don Freeman †
Legion of Mary 6:30pm Library

Wednesday-December 29th

Mass Intention 6:30 Communion Service
8:30 Cathy Downey †
Choir Practice 7:00pm Church

Thursday-December 30th

Mass Intention 6:30 Communion Service
8:30 Tommie McArdle †

Friday-December 31st

NEW YEAR'S EVE

Mass Intention 6:30 Carmela Barulic †
8:30 Brian Cotter †

Saturday-January 1st

NEW YEAR'S DAY

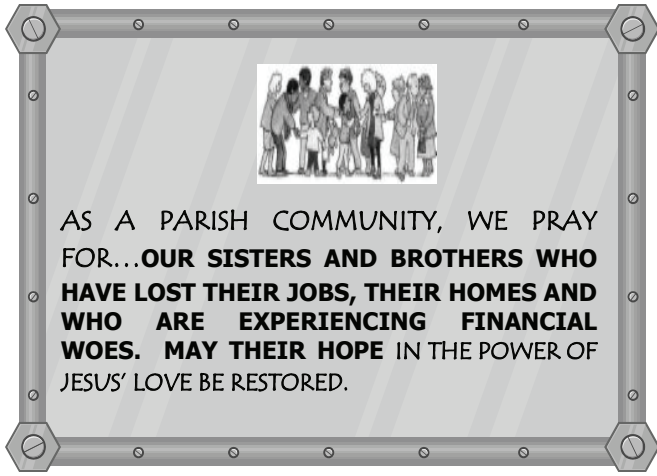

Mass Intention 8:30 People of St. Robert's
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Euch Adoration 9:00am Church
AA 9:30am Mahoney Room

Sunday-January 2nd


Mass Intention 7:30 Fr. Ron Burke †
10:00 Brian Cotter †
11:30 Joseph Drew †
5:00 Rob Harless †

**PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31ST.**


**PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE
WILL BE A 4:30 PM MASS ON
SATURDAY, JANUARY 1ST.**

WE CONGRATULATE THE NEWLY BAPTIZED
 Abigail Marie Aronica
 John Frederick Fahey
 Luke Gabriel Hurley



Our sincere sympathy to the families of
 Edith Watts & Werner Businger, Jr.
 Isabelle Beck
 who died recently.



ST. ROBERT'S RESPECT FOR LIFE GROUP

The 2011 WALK FOR LIFE will be on Saturday, January 22. It will start at Justin Hermann Plaza at the Embarcadero in San Francisco. We will partner up with St. Bruno's Church and join them on a bus leaving San Bruno at 10:00 a.m. that morning. Complete details are available at the vestibule of the church. For questions, please contact Mary Nunnery - 588-6349.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Christopher & Rana Jane Lotti & Family
 Arlo & Theresa Uriarte & Family
 Rosie McNeilly
 Mark Tobin

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The collection figures for December 19th will appear in the January 2nd Bulletin.

Year of Renewal in Worship and Prayer

The Gloria / Glory to God


Throughout the Christmas season we hear or sing the familiar carol: "Angels we have heard sweetly singing o'er the plains...." When we gather to celebrate the Eucharist on most Sundays and feasts, we echo the same song of the angels referenced in this Christmas carol, when we sing or recite together the Gloria (Glory to God).

The Gloria has often been called the "Angelic Hymn" because it opens with these words which, according to the Gospel of Luke, the angels sang at Bethlehem on the night of Christ's birth. It is one of the oldest Christian hymns, modeled after the psalms and canticles of the Old Testament. The ecstatic joy which the Gloria proclaims makes it suitable for all Sundays outside of the seasons of Advent and Lent and for all solemnities and feasts.

The Gloria concludes the Introductory Rites of the Eucharist, following the Act of Penitence when the assembly proclaims its faith in God who is loving and kind and the source of reconciliation and healing. It is fitting moment to turn to God to offer this ancient hymn of thanks and praise.

Question of the week

- *Why and for what reason does your community sing praise to God?*



SPOTLIGHT
 on
 *GIRM
 "The Gloria is an ancient humn in which the Church, assembled in the Holy Spirit, praises and entreats the Father and the Lamb."
 *General Instruction
 Of the Roman Missal, n. 31

MINISTER SCHEDULE/Jan 1 & 2

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet/Deacon John
Eucharistic Ministers: C. Holland (C)
Deacon Rusty, T. Dachauer, J. Scannell, J. Beltrano,
J. Brooks, K. Martinez
Lectors: M. Dachauer and J. Cronin
Altar Servers: R. Nazzal and M. Mar

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Ring/Deacon John
Eucharistic Ministers: J. Aldinger (C)
Deacon John, B. Albright, R. Lahoz, F. Reyes
Lectors: T. Clifford and A. Clifford
Altar Servers: L. Clifford and B. Godfrey

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul/Deacon John
Eucharistic Ministers: L. Cesca (C)
Deacon John, M. Bourne, M. Lynch, S. Murray,
K. Semenza, M. Quilici
Lectors: J. Valdez and C. Calonje
Altar Servers: A. Blumenthal, K. Thomson and M. Herrera
Children's Liturgy:

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Obet/Deacon John
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Giusti (C)
Deacon John, C. Morgan, D/C Sosa, F. Firpo,
D. Murphy, V/L Piccinini
Lectors: C. Pisani and R. Hill
Altar Servers: D. Arellano and F. Valle

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Paul/Deacon John
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Aberouette (C)
Deacon Rusty, V. Lopez, C. Lopez, A. Lopez,
M. Santiago, J. Seminiuk
Lector: H. Lowood and B. Lopez
Altar Servers: C. Severi and M. Grealish

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-December 27th

Readings: 1Jn 1:1-4 Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Tuesday-December 28th

Readings: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2 Mt 2:13-18

Wednesday-December 29th

Readings: 1 Jn 2:3-11 Lk 2:22-35

Thursday-December 30th

Readings: 1 Jn 2:12-17 Lk 2:36-40

Friday-December 31st

Readings: 1 Jn 2:18-21 Jn 1:1-18

Saturday-January 1st

Readings: Nm 6:22-27 Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21

Sunday-January 2nd

Readings: Is 60:1-6 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12