

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,

Mark Twain has been quoted as saying, "It's not what I don't understand about the Bible that bothers me, but what I do understand." One place where that's especially applicable is in today's Gospel reading. Jesus says the greatest Law of all is that we should love God with all our heart, with all our soul, and with all our mind.

What I find so daunting about this greatest of laws is that it seems to imply the kind of detached preoccupation with prayer that my mind associates with cartoon drawings of Tibetan monks sitting in a Lotus position atop snow-capped Himalayan peaks. And I shudder, considering how hard it would be to love God to the exclusion of all else.

Thankfully that's not quite what it means. We can, and *should*, love other things. That's made clear when Jesus immediately adds the second greatest law as a companion to that: We should love our neighbor as our self... even our enemies. How can we love God with all our heart with all these other things to love?

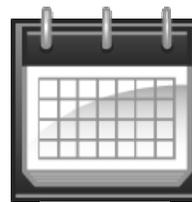
The short answer is to unite all of our loves to our love for God: loving our blessings because they come from God, and loving the people around us as fellow beloved children of God. Our love of God flows into our love for others, and our love for a God we cannot see is made visible in the love we share with others, especially with those who aren't so easy to love.

God commands us to love with the fullness of our self, not as a petty test of our obedience, but because our journey of faith is meant to help us grow to love as God loves us – without limit.

God Bless,

Father Mike

THE WEEK AHEAD



Monday-October 24th

Mass Intention 8:30 Cenon Regidor †
Grownups Mtg 7:00pm Library

Tuesday-October 25th

Mass Intention 8:30 Tony Korteokaup †
Religious Education 3:30pm Church & Hall
Legion of Mary 6:30pm Library
Confirmation/Yr 1 7:00pm Hall

Wednesday-October 26th

Mass Intention 8:30 Lily McEaney †
Tea Meeting 7:00pm Mahoney Room

Thursday-October 27th

Mass Intention 8:30 Maria Duchi †

Friday-October 28th

Mass Intention 8:30 William McCarty †
Inbetweeners 6:30pm Hall

Saturday-October 29th

Mass Intention 8:30 Carlo D'Aquisto †
4:30 Ralph Carrillo †
Grief Ministry 9:00am Mary's Chapel
AA Mtg 10:00am Mahoney Room
Grownup's Setup 2:00pm Hall

Sunday-October 30th

Mass Intention 7:30 People of St. Robert's
9:30 Naimeh Totah †
11:30 Dinny Carlin †
5:00 Santa Ammatona †
Grownups Luncheon 12:00pm Hall

Sign up for E-Contributions

Go to www.saintroberts.org and click on the e-contributions button.

There is no cost to you for this service.



AS A PARISH COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR....children yet to be born . . . Precious in the eyes of God . . . May they be cherished and protected from all harm.



Our sincere sympathy to the families of Inez Dahlberg, Erlinda Garcia, Sonia Vera Holland & Herman Bertolini who died recently.



6:30 AM MASS

Because we will be a one-priest parish for a month,

there will be no 6:30 am Mass from October 24th thru November 21st.

6:30 am Mass will resume after Thanksgiving.

OCTOBER – RESPECT LIFE MONTH

“In plain words: God is our origin, God is our destiny, God is our companion on the journey. Human life has a dignity and sanctity that cannot be denied, nor can the right to life and invitation to life in its fullness. It's God's plan. Human and holy have become inseparable.: (San Diego Bishop Robert H. Brom, *The Southern Cross*, February 2010)

STEWARDSHIP

July 1st to Oct. 16, 2011 (goal)	156,864.00
July 1st to Oct. 16th (actual)	141,330.42
7/1/11-6/30/12 Weekly Goal Collection (actual 10/16)	9,804.00 9,071.10

2011 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

As of 10/18/11

\$72,503.72

has been pledged.

Our goal this year is \$86,200.

Thank you in advance for your generous donation.

**Getting Ready for ~~ Feast of All Souls
November 2, 2011**

“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 Wednesday, November 2nd.

We are asking you to submit the names of your loved ones (your family or friends who passed away during the past 12 months).

(1) We will have a special **Wall of Remembrance** again this year. We will post the names of those who died during the period November 1, 2010 – October 31, 2011 around the walls of the church, so that the faithful will be reminded of our departed loved ones each time they enter Saint Robert's Church.

We already have the names of those buried from Saint Robert's but we would appreciate you sending us the names of your loved ones – family members, friends, neighbors etc.

(2) 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.*

(3) A special shrine will be erected in Our Lady's alcove (in the church) 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. This is especially for those who passed away prior to this current year (as well as the current year).

(4) To guarantee correct spelling, please, e-mail, mail or fax names to the Rectory or to Sister Patricia (posullivan3@juno.com) before October 28th. 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

EM Needed at Kaiser

Kaiser, South San Francisco, is in need of Eucharist Ministers on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. If you are able to participate in this rewarding ministry, please contact Vangie Cade at (650) 742-3739.

MINISTER SCHEDULE/Oct 29 & 30

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Caverte

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Aveson (C)

K. Martinez, J. Beltrano, A. Ciraulo, M. Murphy

Lectors: C. Aveson and J. Cronin

Altar Servers: C. Paulbitski and K. Wilson

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Mike

Eucharistic Ministers: R. Vassalo (C)

R. Lahoz, f. Reyes, B. Mullins, J. Aldinger

Lectors: S. Heaney and S. McDonagh

Altar Servers: M. Nussbaum and D. Arellano

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Mike

Eucharistic Ministers: G. Sinks (C)

J. Sexton, M. Saisi, A. Brugnara, J. Bartolotti

Lectors: J. Co and C. Calonje

Altar Servers: K. Malani, A. Kucsak and M. Kucsak

Children's Liturgy: Michael and Bob & Karen

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Don

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Guisti (C)

S. Menendez, C. Morgan, E. Sanchez, H. Mantler

Lectors: G. Peralez and H. Valle

Altar Servers: A. Kelly and K. Ravelo

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Don

Eucharistic Ministers: G. Huddleston (C)

T. Estelita, K. Welch, R. Benavente, U. Uniacke

Lector: H. Lowood

Altar Servers: R. Uniacke and O. Uniacke

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-October 24th

Readings: Rom 8:12-17 Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday-October 25th

Readings: Rom 8:18-25 Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday-October 26th

Readings: Rom 8:26-30 Lk 13:22-30

Thursday-October 27th

Readings: Rom 8:31b-39 Lk 13:31-35

Friday-October 28th

Readings: Eph 2:19-22 Lk 6:12-16

Saturday-October 29th

Readings: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29 Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday-October 30th

Readings: Mal 1:14b-2:2b,8-10 Thes 2:7b-9,13 Mt 23:1-12

The Two Great Commandments

As the gridlock in Washington continues, several organizations whose members work with people who are poor have begun a movement inviting ordinary citizens to write their legislators about creating a Circle of Protection around programs which provide assistance to the poor (www.circleofprotection.us). The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, Catholic Relief Services, Bread for the World, Catholic Charities USA and many other Christian groups have signed on. The latest figures from the U.S. Census Bureau should have alarmed us with the finding that more than 46 million Americans live below the poverty line (\$22,000 for a family of four). In 2010, 23.57% of California's children were growing up in poverty, 11,409 more than in 2009 (www.childrensdefensefund.org). There may not be many widows and orphans in these statistics, but surely with the economic downturn, the needs of families warrant our attention.

The Exodus reading we hear today sounds different to us when we hear it in this context. We might want to notice **why** the Israelites were to treat foreigners fairly: they were once foreigners themselves in Egypt. In the midst of often-heated conversations about immigration reform, might we not recall that most, if not all, of our relatives were immigrants? They probably didn't have to worry about being undocumented since documents weren't required then and there were no quotas. The second part of the reading brings to mind some of the mortgage brokers who took advantage of the borrowers' naivete or unrealistic dream of home ownership and acted "like an extortioner." The foreigner, the widow, the orphan and the poor neighbors are all promised God's compassionate response.

The gospel is clear: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind... You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Soon, we'll celebrate the feasts of All Saints and All Souls. These men and women witnessed to their faith in various ways, but love of God and neighbor were the hallmarks of their lives. May the same be said of us! **Peace, S. Sheral**

CALLING ALL ELYES!



St. Robert's Women's Guild

is looking for crafters, vendors, and tinkerers of holiday items for our

ANNUAL HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

Space rental: \$15 full table / \$10 half table

To reserve a table, complete the form below and mail with payment to the St. Robert's Rectory before **November 15th**

Holiday Boutique Info

Date: December 4, 2011
Time: 10am - 4pm
Location: Hennessy Hall
345 Oak Avenue
San Bruno

For more information

Michelle Blumenthal
(650) 784-3270
mamablum@sbcglobal.net
Tina Cava
(650) 755-7493
tina_cava@sbcglobal.net

Registration

St. Robert's Rectory
1380 Crystal Springs Road
San Bruno, California 94066
attn: Michelle Blumenthal

Checks only, payable to:
St. Robert's Women's Guild

St. Robert's Women's Guild: Holiday Boutique Vendor Registration Form

Name:

Phone:

Description of Boutique Items:

Email:

Payment Included (checks only)

Full Table (\$15) Half Table (\$10)

Make checks payable to:
St. Robert's Women's Guild

The Fraction Rite

Following upon the Rite of Peace is the "Fraction Rite." This "breaking of bread" symbolizes much more than what may appear to be a simple, practical, function at this point in the Mass. The celebration of the Eucharist was once referred to as the "Breaking of the Bread" in the early church. The Mass carefully imitates the acts of Jesus at the Last Supper: "Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it..." (Matthew 26:26). The unity expressed in the Fraction Rite works well in small groups, where it is possible to use a single large Host that can be broken and shared by all present. The Fraction Rite forms a bridge between the Rite of Peace and Holy

Communion: the same community of persons, who just expressed their unity and forgiveness at the Rite of Peace, will soon share in the one bread that is now broken for them all. In Masses where individual hosts are to be distributed, this symbol of unity is preserved when one or more pieces of the larger "Priest's Host" is shared with one or more of the communicants present.



SPOTLIGHT ON THE GIRM*

"It is most desirable that the faithful, just as the priest himself is bound to do, receive the Lord's Body from hosts consecrated at the same Mass and that, in the instances when it is permitted the partake of the chalice (cf. No. 283), so that even by means of the signs Communion will stand out more clearly as a participation in the sacrifice actually being celebrated."

*General Instruction of the Roman Missal, n. 85



Grownup's Fall Luncheon



The Grownup's Fall Luncheon will be held in Hennessy Hall on Sunday October 30th after the 11:30 am Mass.

Tickets are \$12.00 per person and will be sold after all the Masses this weekend.

RUMMAGE SALE – NOVEMBER 5th

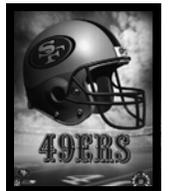
Fall is the perfect time to clean out your garage – and then donate your well-loved treasures to our rummage sale!! The Inbetweeners will be hosting a rummage sale on Saturday, November 5 from 8am - 2pm in the church parking lot to benefit the St. Justin Centre of the Disabled in Tanzania. It is a school 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 Fil Am Group is having a meeting on November 2nd at the Mahoney Room at 7:00 pm. Discussion topics will include the up-coming Simbang Gabi festivities for December. All are welcomed. Please attend this important meeting.



Please Volunteer and Support St. Roberts



Day	Date	Opponent	Leaving Rectory	Game Time
Sunday	October 30	Cleveland	7:15 am	1:00 pm
Sunday	November 13	NY Giants	7:15 am	1:00 pm
Sunday	November 20	Arizona	7:15 am	1:00 pm
Sunday	December 4	St. Louis	7:15 am	1:00 pm
Sunday	December 19	Pittsburgh	11:00 am	5:30 pm