

Saint Robert's Church

November 27, 2016



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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 Day Masses: 8:30 am and 6:00 pm

Weekdays: Masses are Monday through Saturday at 8:30 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.

Dear Parishioners,

We now begin one of the most challenging seasons of the Church year. What makes it difficult to celebrate is our society's rush right past Advent into Christmas!

CVS has all the decorations, Christmas cards and anything you could possibly need or want prominently displayed. Trader Joe's has its candy Advent calendars at the entrance as well.

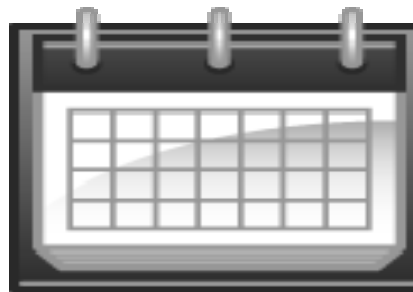
Fortunately, the Church presents us with powerful readings from the prophet Isaiah each of these Sundays, full of the hope embodied in the coming of the Savior. Especially now, we need the longing for the values of God's kingdom expressed in these readings; the citations are always in the bulletin so you can look them up in your Bible before you come to Mass. The lovely songs we sing this season also remind us of God's care for each of us and for all people. Each week we'll be singing "Comfort, Comfort, O My People" which proclaims, "Speak of peace now says our God; comfort those who sit in darkness, mourning 'neath their sorrows' load...Tell of all the sins I cover and that warfare now is over." The gospels for the first two weeks focus on Jesus' second coming; the last two weeks on his coming among us as a baby, the incarnation.

You'll notice that our church looks very simple with no flowers or plants and no adornments except the Advent wreath. The universal Church invites us to keep the spirit of Advent in this way; you can help us all to do that by waiting to bring poinsettias to the rectory until Dec. 22. If you have something purple to wear these Sundays, that will be helpful, too. If you'd like to make an Advent wreath for your family, all you need are evergreen boughs placed in a circle, 3 purple candles and 1 pink one. You'll want to light them in a clockwise direction with the pink one lit on the Third Sunday of Advent

May we all have a fruitful Advent.

S. Sheral

THE WEEK AHEAD



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Monday-November 28th

Mass Intention 8:30 Larry Carufel †

Tuesday-November 29th

Mass Intention 8:30 Rev. Michael J. Kotlanger, S.J. †

<i>Adult Rel Ed</i>	<i>9:15am</i>	<i>Rectory</i>
<i>Rel Ed (Gr 1-5)</i>	<i>3:30pm</i>	<i>Hall & Church</i>
<i>Legion of Mary</i>	<i>6:30pm</i>	<i>Library</i>
<i>Rel Ed/Jr. High</i>	<i>7:00pm</i>	<i>Hall</i>

Wednesday-November 30th

Mass Intention 8:30 Deacon Gary West †

<i>Children's Choir</i>	<i>3:00pm</i>	<i>Church</i>
<i>Choir Practice</i>	<i>7:00pm</i>	<i>Church</i>

Thursday-December 1st

Mass Intention 9:00 Joseph Xuereb

Grief Consolation 9:00am Little Church

Friday-December 2nd

Mass Intention 8:30 Fr. Joseph Marini †


Saturday-December 3rd

Mass Intention 8:30 Special Intention †
4:30 John & Amelia
Rudometkin †

AA Meeting 10:00am Mahoney Room

Saint Robert Catholic School

If you are thinking about sending your child to Saint Robert Catholic School, now is the perfect time to schedule a Wednesday tour. Come take a walk around the school with the Principal, Mrs. Wright, and learn about the many wonderful curriculum choices activities at your Parish School. Please call [650-583-5065](tel:650-583-5065) to schedule a tour.




As a Parish Community we pray for God's guidance and wisdom for our newly elected political leaders. May they serve with compassion and justice for all.

WE CONGRATULATE
Juan Valenzuela & Jill Wylie
 THE NEWLY MARRIED



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



Ansel Braidman
 Jim Crilly
 Maria Faith
 Kristi Lemanski
 Jose Antonio Perez
 Marty Staples
 Kolby Rousseu

Consolation/Grief Ministry

The Christmas Season is always very difficult for those who have recently lost a loved one. The Consolation Committee is offering a special session on Thursday, December 1st, to help you on your grief journey by sharing with you some helpful coping skills. We meet in the Reconciliation Room of the Church after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. The Session will last approximately ninety minutes. E-mail Sister Patricia O'Sullivan -- posullivan3@juno.com or call 650-763-8822. May God bless and comfort you.

STEWARDSHIP

The collection for November 20th will be posted in the December 4th bulletin.

2016 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL
 As of 11/20/16

Total Pledge to Date	\$ 99,146.57
Total Cash Donations to Date	\$ 97,700.57
Archdiocese tax Due	\$112,560.00

Thank you in advance for your generous donation.

Please remember Saint Robert's Church when making a will or trust.

Advent Morning of Reflection

I will be leading an Advent morning of reflection in the church on Saturday, Dec. 10 from 9 am to noon. It will help with the planning if you can let me know you're coming at sheralmar@saintroberts.org or 589-2800. We'll close with lunch at noon. Thank you.
 Sr. Sheral

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Thursday, December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be at 8:30 am and 6:00 pm.

"Adopt-A-Family Tree"

Watch for the "Adopt-A-Family Tree" starting this week. Gift tags will be available after all the Masses this weekend and the weekend of November 26-27. Gifts will be collected on the weekends of December 3-4 and 10-11. Thanks for your help. Rob Aveson

Thanks

My thanks to all of our parishioners who are helping us with the Annual Archdiocese Appeal. I appreciate all your generosity. We are now just \$13,000 away from paying our Archdiocesan tax.

MEMORIAL CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Christmas flowers will decorate the church during the Christmas Season. If you would like to make a donation of \$10 toward their purchase in memory or in honor of a loved one, please fill out the form below and return it to the rectory by Wednesday, December 14th. Please make checks payable to St. Robert's.

My Gift in Memory of: _____

My Gift in Honor of: _____

Given by: _____

MINISTER SCHEDULE/DEC 3RD & 4TH

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Greene

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

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Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Tony

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Tony

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

Presider: Fr. Stewart

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-November 28th

Readings: Is 4:2-6 Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday-November 29th

Readings: Is 11:1-10 Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday-November 30th

Readings: Rom 10:9-18 Mt 4:18-22

Thursday- December 1st

Readings: Is 26:1-6 Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday-December 2nd

Readings: Is 29:17-24 Mt 9:27-31

Saturday-December 3rd

Readings: Is 30:19-21, 23-26 Mt 9:35—10:1

Sunday-December 4th

Readings: Is 11:1-10 Rom 15:4-9
Mt 3:1-12