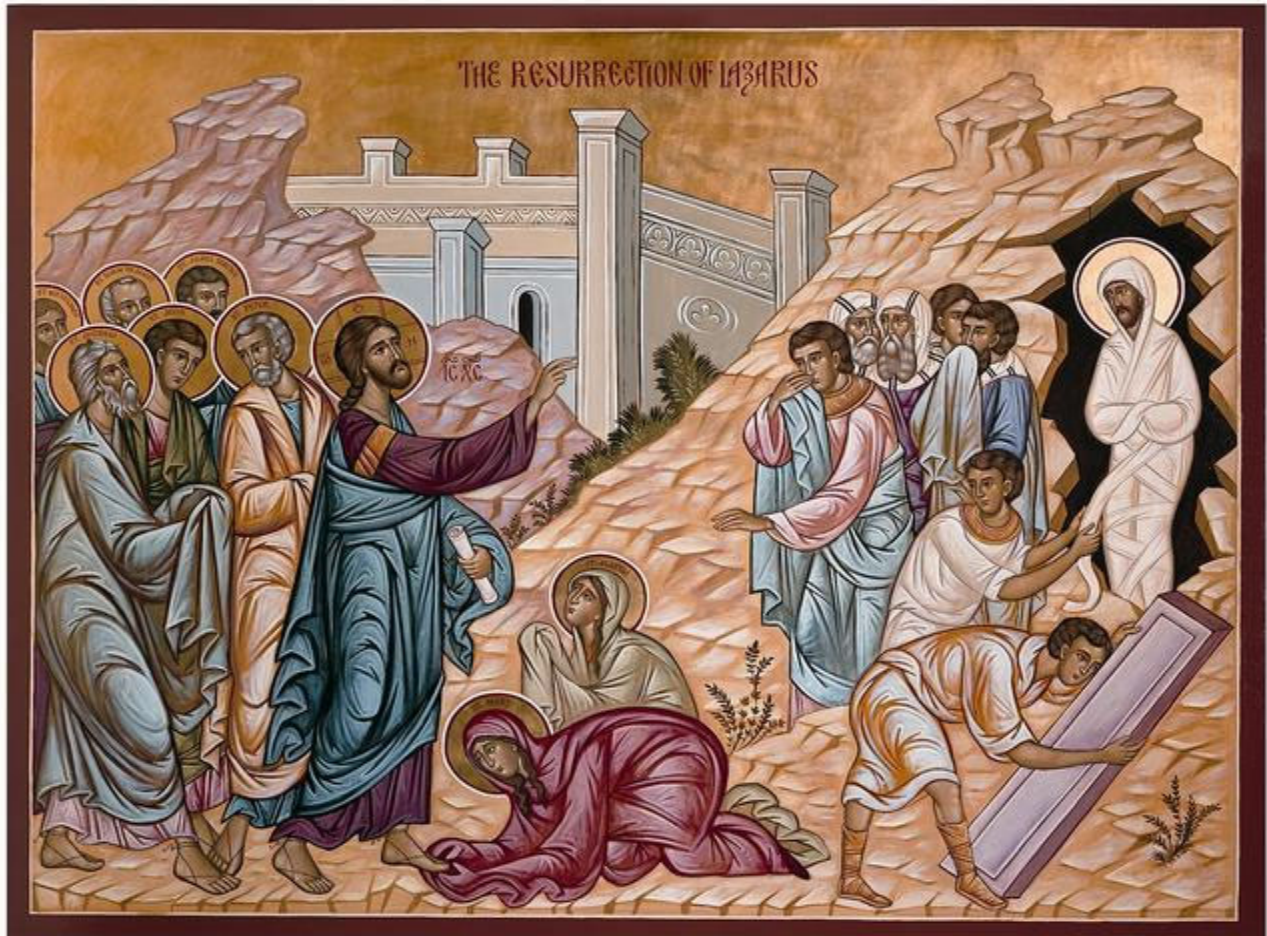


Saint Robert's Church

March 18, 2018



Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday - March 25

(Palms will be distributed at all Masses)

Saturday evening Vigil Mass, 4:30 pm

Sunday Masses 7:30 am, 9:30 am

11:30 am and 5 pm

Holy Thursday - March 29

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30 pm

Good Friday - March 30

Celebration of the Lord's Passion,

12 noon – 1:30 pm

Confessions 1:30 pm - 3 pm

Youth Passion Play, 7:30 pm

Holy Saturday - March 31

No Morning or 4:30 pm Masses

Confessions 3:00 - 4:30 pm

Easter Vigil Mass 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday - April 1

7:30 am, 9:30 am

11:30 am and 5 pm Mass

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Over the next two weeks, as we hear of the interior anguish of Jesus, we are led to the Garden of Gethsemane, the scene of a night of suffering, failure, and loss. In Hebrew, the word means "olive press," and it was an olive grove, although only a few trees remain. Olives can't be eaten off the trees, they need to be cured—knocked from the trees at harvest time, scooped into a stone basin, and cracked open by a heavy millstone. The crushing stone weight was itself called a "gethsemane," and once it was lowered onto the olives, oil from the fruit and the inner stone would drip into a groove and flow into jars. The night before his death, Jesus experienced such anguish that scripture says his own blood perspired from him, an image no one who understands olive oil production could miss.

Today, the Mount of Olives is within the city of Jerusalem and the site of the Church of All Nations, also known as the Basilica of the Agony. It was built in 1924, funded by Catholics in twelve different countries. An open-air altar on the grounds is used by Anglicans on Holy Thursday every year. Nearby is the Russian Church of Mary Magdalene, built by the czar in 1888, its magnificent golden domes a distinctive landmark. There is also another tiny Catholic Church, called *Dominus Flevit*, or "The Cry of the Lord," built in a teardrop shape in the mid-1950s. For centuries, the Franciscan order has had the care of the shrines of the Holy Land, and our Good Friday collection helps sustain these precious sites.

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REPENTANCE

God has promised pardon to one who repents, but has not promised repentance to one who sins.

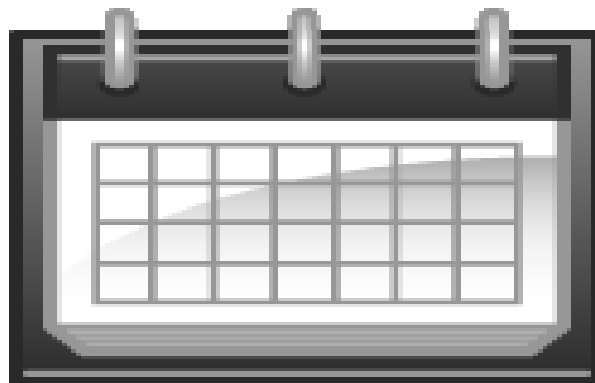
—St. Anselm

BE AWARE

We need to be aware that happiness can sometimes sneak in through the door we didn't know we had left open.

—Anonymous

THE WEEK AHEAD



Monday-March 19

Mass Intention 8:30 John & Charlie Bohan †

Tuesday-March 20

Mass Intention 8:30 John Shanley †
Adult Rel Ed 9:15am Rectory
Rel Ed (Gr K-5) 3:30pm Hall & Church
Confirmation/Yr 1 7:00pm Hall & Church
Legion of Mary 7:00pm Rectory

Wednesday-March 21

Mass Intention 8:30 John Ramos
Children's Choir 3:00pm Church
Mass 6:00pm Church
Choir Practice 7:00pm Church

Thursday-March 22

Mass Intention 8:30 Bridget Vaughan †

Friday-March 23

Mass Intention 8:30 Rachel Ng
Stations of the Cross 6:00pm Church

Saturday-March 24

Mass Intention 8:30 Rick Hile †
4:30 Tom Dachauer †
AA Meeting 10:00am Mahoney Room
Confession 3:30 to 4:15pm Church

IF YOU ARE NEW TO ST. ROBERT'S, fill out a registration form and drop it either in the collection basket, the mail, or at the parish office.

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



As a community of faith, we pray for peaceful talks between the United States and China.

We congratulate the newly baptized

Josephine Katherine Stergion



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 prayers, please call the Rectory at 589-2800

This week we pray for

- Chris Sigillo
- Alejandra Maldonado
- Timothy McGrew
- Alexander Sepulveda
- Mary Gilbert
- Tina Maria Guerrero
- Sol Padilla
- Mark Groshong
- Bob O'Donnald
- Maria Rendon



Our sincere sympathy to the families of



David Nicolas
Mario Trinca
who died recently

STEWARDSHIP

July 1st to March 11th (goal)	380,000.00
July 1st to March 11th (actual) (including E Contributions)	351,462.86
7/1/17—6/30/18 Weekly (Goal)	10,000.00
Weekly Collection (actual 03/11)	7,427.90
(E Cont for month of February)	7,179.50
Thank you for your generosity	

2018 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

As of 3/7/18

Total Pledge to Date	\$ 11,130.02
Total Cash Donations to Date	\$ 11,130.02
Archdiocese tax Due	\$121,212.00

Thank you in advance for your generous donation.

Mini-Retreat with Fr. Greene

Fr. Greene will give a mini-retreat on Monday, March 26th. The theme will be "Betraying Jesus, the Drama of Holy Week." The day will begin with the 8:30 am Mass and conclude with a light lunch at noon. All are welcome and there is no charge. There is no need to make a reservation. All talks will be in the church.

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent at 6:00 pm in the

Wednesdays During Lent

This year we will also have a 6 p.m. Mass all the Wednesdays during Lent.

GIVE ELECTRONICALLY

St. Robert's relies on the financial support of its parishioners and the electronic giving program offers convenience for you, and provides much needed donation consistency for our Parish. To give electronically, visit www.saintroberts.org and click on the link to sign up.

MEMORIAL EASTER FLOWERS



Easter Flowers will decorate the Church during the Easter Season. If you would like to make a donation of \$10 toward their purchase in memory of or in honor of a loved one, please fill out the form below and return it by Friday, March 30th. Please make checks payable to St. Robert's.

My Gift in Memory of: _____

My Gift in Honor of: _____

Given by: _____

Our Lenten Journey at St. Robert's

We are encouraged as a community and as individuals to observe the three traditional practices of prayer, fasting and service. In terms of prayer, we offer:

-8:30am Mass Monday – Saturday;

-This year we will also have a 6 p.m. Mass all the Wednesdays during Lent.

-Stations of the Cross are at 6 pm all the Fridays of Lent (except Good Friday).

-Our church is open from 7:30 am until 4pm everyday for personal prayer.

-Confessions are available every Saturday from 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm.

The regulations for fasting and abstinence during Lent are the following:

On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast. Fasting means having one full meal and two smaller meals which do not equal the full one. It also means not eating between meals, though liquids are permitted. Abstinence refers to not eating meat (beef, pork, poultry). Catholics over the age of 14 are obliged to abstain on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent. These regulations do not apply to those who for reasons of health or strenuous work cannot observe them.

LITURGY AND ILLNESS

Please be aware that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass does not apply to those who are ill, especially those who suffer from contagious disease. It is a sign of consideration for others that those with flu-like symptoms remain at home. For the convenience of those who are homebound, or unable to attend Mass because of illness or infirmity, Mass is broadcast each Sunday morning at 6:00 AM on Channels 8, 20 (Comcast), KTSF 26.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

During Italy's Pro-Life Sunday on February 4, 2018, Pope Francis asked prayers that more people would become aware of the need to defend human life "in this moment of destruction and of throwing away humanity".

The 40 Days for Life Campaign begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14 and ends on Palm Sunday, March 25. St. Robert's day is Thursday, March 22 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and consists of praying the rosary in front of Planned Parenthood, 35 Baywood Ave, San Mateo. We do not confront those approaching nor do we have signs and placards. We only pray. If you are available to sign up for an hour or two, please contact Mary Nunnery at 588-6349 or mary.nunnery@hotmail.com.

MINISTER SCHEDULE/MARCH 24TH & 25TH

Saturday/4:30 P.M. Mass

President: Fr. John

Eucharistic Ministers: Rob A. (C)

Albert C., Antonio N., Carolyn H., Christina I., Haydee M.,
Judy S., MaryAnn B., Marie N., Joanne B.,Katie B.,Carlo N.

Lectors: Christina C. and Barbara R.

Sunday/7:30 A.M. Mass

President: Fr. Tony

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary N. (C)

Deacon, Nora R., Ann B., Kathy H., Marcela S., Rose V.,
Sean Q., Tom M., Tricia P.

Lectors: Jose P. and Janet T.

Sunday/9:30 A.M. Mass

President: Fr. Tony

Eucharistic Ministers: Sam M. (C)

Deacon, Ruby V., Alex L., Amparo S., Erica G., Haydee
M., John V., Karen M., MaryAnn S., Tracey J., Trish C.

Lectors: Kristi L. and Sophia L.

Children's Liturgy: Beth and Ben

Sunday/11:30 A.M. Mass

President: Fr. Greene

Eucharistic Ministers: Thelma T. (C)

Deacon, Julio M., Anacarmina M., Catalina M., Cynthia M.,
Joyce M., Margot G., Devi S., Julio M., Charlie A.

Lectors: Heidi B. and Yvette W.

Sunday/5:00 P.M. Mass

President: Fr. Stewart

Eucharistic Ministers: Ken S. (C)

Antonio N., Dodi T., George L., Gerry H., Haydee M.,
Lorena A., Marie B., Mike S., Una A., Sheral M., Mike M.

Lectors: Sheral M. and Marie B.

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday-March 19th

Readings: 2 Sm 7:4-51, 12-14a, 16
Rom 4:13, 16-18 22

Tuesday-March 20th

Readings: Nm 21:4-9 Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday-March 21st

Readings: Dn 3:14-20,91-92,95 Jn 8:31-42

Thursday-March 22nd

Readings: Gn 17:3-9 Jn 8:51-59

Friday-March 23rd

Readings: Jer 20:10-13 Jn 10:31-42

Saturday-March 24th

Readings: Ez 37:21-28 Jn 11:45-56

Sunday-March 25th

Readings: Is 50:4-7 Phil 2:6-11
Mk 14:1—15:47