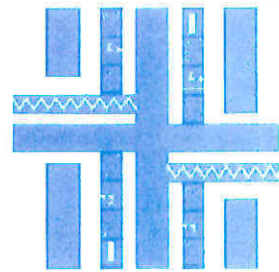


# ST. COLUMBA CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## Pastor

Fr. Aidan McAleenan

## Clergy Support

Fr. Kwame Assenyoh, SVD

Fr. Hilary Martin, OP

## Director of Music

D. Mark Wilson

## Director of Faith Formation

Margaret Roncalli

## Pastoral Council Chairperson

Kia Dixon Bell

## Office Manager

Maria Creer

## Parish Financial Officer

Mary Ellen Morgan

## Liturgy

Weekdays - 8:00 AM (Rosary 7:30 AM)

Saturday - 4:00 PM

Sunday - 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

## Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM (closed 12 - 1 PM)

## Sacraments

### Reconciliation

3:30 PM - 4:00 Saturday

**Baptism** - Contact Margaret Roncalli

**Marriage** - Contact pastor 6 months in advance

## PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

For communion/visits to the sick & homebound; mass intentions, prayer request & funerals

## St. Martin de Porres Catholic School

Regional School for St. Columba, Sacred Heart,

St. Patrick and Cathedral of Christ the Light

### K-5 Campus

510-652-2220

675 - 41st Street, Oakland

### 6-8 Campus

510-832-1757

1630 - 10th Street, Oakland

**Principal:** Dara Northcroft

**President:** Hollis Pierce-Jenkins



## Mission & Vision

Through African American traditions, we are moved  
by the Spirit to serve.

**WE KNOW WHO & WHOSE WE ARE!**

# “WE SEE YOU”



A voice came from  
heaven,

“YOU ARE MY  
BELOVED SON;  
WITH YOU I AM  
WELL PLEASED.”

John 1:9-13

John 3:17



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before entering Church.  
Thank you!

## MANIFESTING THE SPIRIT

The Christmas season closes this Sunday with the Baptism of the Lord. This feast is a sister to last week's feast of the Epiphany. Each of them celebrates an "epiphany," or a manifestation of the Spirit of God in Jesus--first in his birth, and now at his baptism.

The divine Spirit is manifested in all of the scriptures for this feast. Psalm 104 highlights the Spirit of God creating and renewing the earth, while the reading from Isaiah describes God restoring Israel. In Luke's account of the baptism of the Lord the Holy Spirit descends upon Jesus. And the letter to Titus reminds us that the Holy Spirit was "richly poured out" on us also, through the "bath of rebirth" (Titus 3:5, 6).

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## ST. MARY'S CENTER WINTER SHELTER DINNER

Several parishioners, as well as the Ladies of Peter Claver, for the past few years have provided a dinner meal for homeless senior citizens at St. Mary's Center, just a few miles from here, . It is time to sign up for this monthly opportunity starting in December.

Anyone who would like to participate, please contact Meg Bowerman at (510) 684-7139 or megbowman@gmail.com.

Below are the following dates we have signed up for and how to help.

Winter Shelter Dinner, Monday 01/11/2016

Winter Shelter Dinner, Thursday 02/25/2016

Winter Shelter Dinner, Tuesday 03/22/2016

St. Mary's Center is located at 3200 San Pablo Avenue at Brockhurst Street (look for the blue awning on the east side of San Pablo and enter through the gates).

Please let Meg know if you can provide a side dish to serve 12 (already prepared at home: salad, potatoes or rice, other side dish, dessert, rolls and juices. Main dish will be provided by others on the team. We encourage you to arrive at 5pm to help with the set up of the food and finish prep, we serve at 6pm and are usually finished by 7pm.

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** The Baptism of the Lord

**Monday:** First Week in Ordinary Time

**Wednesday:** St. Hilary

**Saturday:** Blessed Virgin Mary



## ATTENTION PARISHIONERS REMEMBER THESE DATE

**January 9, 2016** - Haiti Cultural Night

**January 16, 2016** - Chili Bowl Bingo

**January 30, 2016** - Mardi Gras Gala

**February 10, 2016** - Ash Wednesday

**March 12, 2016** - Proclaimers Retreat

**March 13, 2016** - Daylight-Saving Time Begins

## T'ai Chi Classes

The Saint Columba Health Cabinet is sponsoring a T'ai Chi class for the Saint Columba parish community and the surrounding neighborhood community.

Everyone is welcome and the class is free.

The class meets every Monday and Thursday from 8-9am in the Saint Columba Hall.

Parishioner Kate Hobbs teaches the Dragon Tiger Mountain Yang Style Family Set.

Classes include a warm-up, energizing exercises and practice of the formal T'ai Chi form.

Beginners are welcome!



We welcome all who come to celebrate with us. If you would like to register or if you need to update your information, please complete this registration form and place it in the collection basket, return to office or send us an email. Be Blessed!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Day \_\_\_\_\_ Eve \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

New Parishioner

Change of Information

Moving: Remove from list

Please Call me - best time \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to serve as \_\_\_\_\_