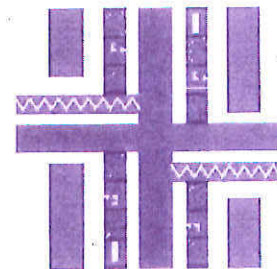


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 Weekdays - 8:00 AM (Rosary 7:30 AM)
 Saturday - 4:00 PM
 Sunday - 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

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 &
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 before entering Church.
 Thank you!




Mission & Vision

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

WE KNOW WHO & WHOSE WE ARE!

“WE SEE YOU”

February 14, 2016



First Sunday

of

Lent

Jesus was led by the Spirit
 into the desert for forty days,
 to be tempted by the devil.

Luke 4:1-2

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JESUS AND THE DEVIL

The devil tempted Jesus by quoting scripture, as today's Gospel reminds us. Try a self-serving miracle. Try selling out. Try dazzling the audience; people are gullible, after all. Try all these easy ways. The tempter tries to urge Jesus onto the slippery slope, attempts the old soft-soap, the snake-oil solutions that are always readily at hand. The devil knows better, but is powerless to do better, much less be better. The devil is evil personified, who senses in Jesus the stronger, truly attractive presence of holiness.

Evil is exposed and engaged, we are reminded in this Sunday's Gospel. Evil knows the jig is up. The undoing of lies begins with Jesus, who takes up the work of soul-healing and world-healing. This Lent, the Church invites us to enter into this re-creating, re-creative work and be made whole again.

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Rice Bowl (no rice needed!)

It is not too late to join other members of St. Columba in participating in CRS Rice Bowl this Lent. You can pick up your family's rice bowl from the table near our entrance. Remember, your contributions to Rice Bowl changes lives: **25% of the proceeds remain in the Oakland Diocese**, with a portion being given out as **grants to our very own St. Vincent de Paul conference** and other organizations working to alleviate hunger and food insecurity in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. Last December our own St. Vincent de Paul conference received a Rice Bowl grant of \$750.

Please check out the wonderful website to learn more about how you can extend what you do for Lent with you and your family:<http://>



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: First Sunday of Lent; Valentine's Day; World Marriage Day

Monday: Presidents' Day

Wednesday: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

Friday: Abstinence



ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

February 10, 2016 - *Ash Wednesday*

March 19, 2016 - Proclaimers Retreat (9a-3p)

March 13, 2016 - Daylight-Saving Time Begins

March 20, 2016 - *Palm Sunday*

March 24, 2016 - *Holy Thursday*

March 25, 2016 - *Good Friday*

March 26, 2016 - *Easter Vigil*

FOR HEALING AND SUPPORT

Healing Thursdays: 7pm

February 18 - healing for those who grieve, who have lost a loved one

February 25 - healing of memories

March 3 - healing for physical illness

March 10 - Parish Reconciliation Service

Stations of the Cross

Fridays: 12:noon followed by the Rosary

Stations also at 7:00 pm - in church

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 _____

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New Parishioner

Change of Information

Moving: Remove from list

Please Call me - best time _____

I would like to serve as _____