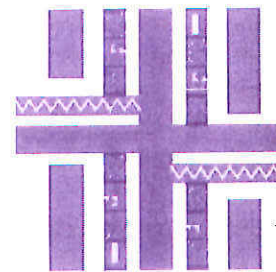


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Mary Ellen Morgan

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

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Mission & Vision

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

WE KNOW WHO & WHOSE WE ARE!

“WE SEE YOU”

February 28, 2016

Third Sunday
of
Lent

God called out to Moses from
the burning bush and said,
“Remove the sandals from your feet,
for the place where you stand is holy ground.”
Exodus 3:4, 5

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Please **turn off** Cell Phones
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Thank you!

"I AM"

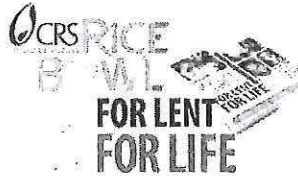
Kindness and mercy are what the enslaved people of Israel needed, and they came in the form of deliverance. They came through a leader, Moses, who was once plucked from the Nile River and was now herding his father-in-law's sheep in the land of Goshen. The bush that burned but was not consumed shows us that God is inexhaustible mystery. Moses' awe and deference are mixed with a touching conversational tone as he seeks to learn God's name. And God sweetly responds. The somewhat abstract "I AM" distinguishes the God of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob from the minor gods in the territory who "are not." They are helpless, powerless, and useless. Moses is to step out into an amazing future, and God will be there with outstretched arm. Just go and see, God seems to say.

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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: Third Sunday of Lent
Thursday: St. Katharine Drexel
Friday: St. Casimir; World Day of Prayer;
First Friday: Abstinence
Saturday: First Saturday



ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

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*
March 27, 2016 - *Easter Sunday*
April 2, 2016 - Zydeco Dance (Women's Group)

FOR HEALING AND SUPPORT

Healing Thursdays: 7pm

March 3 - healing for physical illness
March 10 - Parish Reconciliation Service
Stations of the Cross
Fridays: 12 noon - followed by the Rosary on First Friday of the month

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 _____

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 _____