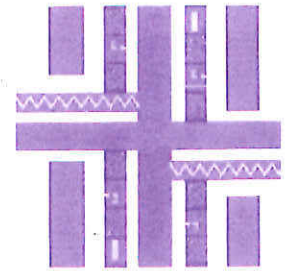


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Michelle Batista / Joan Morris

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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

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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”

March 13, 2016

Fifth Sunday
of
Lent

I put water in the desert
and rivers in the wasteland
for my chosen people to drink.

Isaiah 43:20

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Please **turn off** Cell Phones
before entering Church.

Thank you!

STRAIGHT LINES

"God writes straight with crooked lines," the saying goes. The power of Paul's testimony that everything is junk but knowledge of Jesus and the power of his resurrection is a straight enough message. And, God knows, Paul had a crooked journey before his blinding insight straight from God.

Through Isaiah, God reminds us all that the past great works were as nothing compared to the new creation.

"Can't you see it?" we are asked, as if we are still wandering along our crooked lines.

And there is no straighter line than that between the woman whose misery is intense and the God whose mercy in Jesus is deeper and more acute. You just can't beat this kind of good news.

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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: Fifth Sunday of Lent;
Daylight Saving Time begins
Monday: Julian Calendar Lent begins
Thursday: St. Patrick
Friday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem;
Abstinence
Saturday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Spring begins



ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

March 20, 2016 - Palm Sunday 8am - 10:30am

March 24, 2016 - Holy Thursday 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

**March 25, 2016 - Good Friday 12:00 Noon
Celebration of The Lord's Passion**

March 26, 2016 - Easter Vigil Easter Vigil 8pm

March 27, 2016 - Easter Sunday Resurrection of Our Lord 8am - 10:30 am

FOR HEALING AND SUPPORT

Healing Thursdays: 7pm

**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 _____