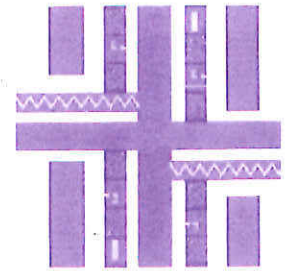


# ST. COLUMBA CATHOLIC CHURCH



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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 Co-Chairpersons

Michelle Batista / Joan Morris

## 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

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1630 - 10th Street, Oakland

**Principal:** Dara Northcroft

**President:** Hollis Pierce-Jenkins



Please **turn off** Cell Phones  
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”

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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## 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 \_\_\_\_\_