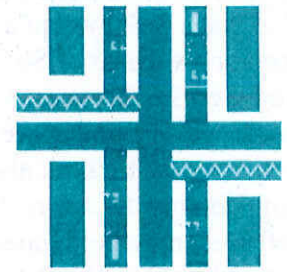


# ST. COLUMBA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## Pastor

Fr. Aidan McAleenan

## Clergy Support

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

Wednesday - Thursday : 8:00 AM (Mass)

Monday: 8:00 AM (Prayer Service)

Friday: 8:00 AM (Communion Service)

Rosary: Monday - Friday: 7:30 AM

Saturday Mass - 4:00 PM

Sunday Masses - 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

## Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

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

## Sacraments

**Baptism** - Contact Margaret Roncalli

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

## Reconciliation

3:30 PM - 4:00 Saturday

## 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

**President:** Hollis Pierce-Jenkins

**Principal:** Dara Northcroft



**Endurance  
&  
Resourcefulness**

## Mission & Vision

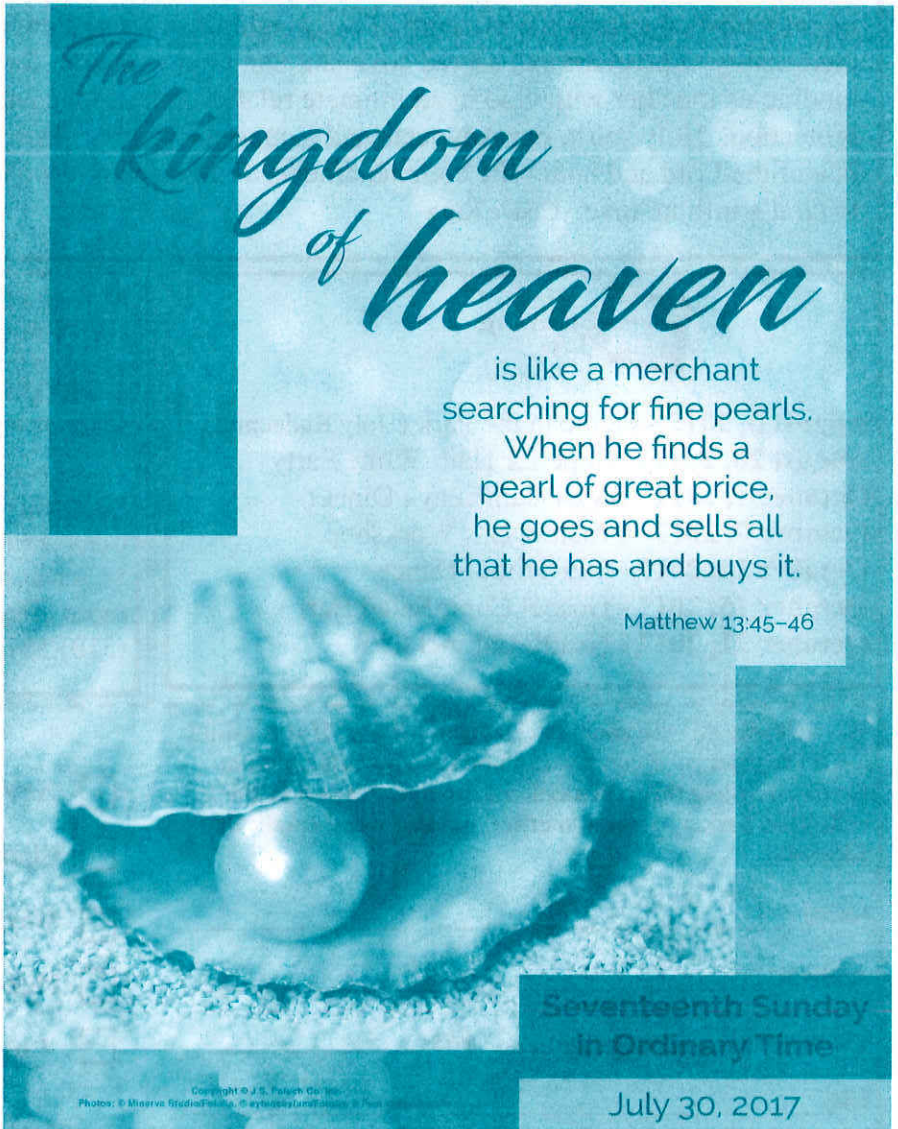
Through African American traditions, we are moved by the Spirit to serve.

*“Misericordia: Making Mercy Visible”*

*The kingdom of heaven*

is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it.

Matthew 13:45-46



**Seventeenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

July 30, 2017



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**LISTEN TO YOUR DREAMS**

God visits Solomon in a dream, and the scripture story nowhere tells us that Solomon awoke to have this conversation with God! So, still in his dream, Solomon answers God's question about what he desires most, and God grants his request for wisdom in abundance.

In our waking hours, we are much distracted by work, home, family, traffic, entertainment, and many worries. When we try to think about what we really want out of life, we have trouble even imagining what that might be. But deep inside, our real longings dwell, known to God and to the Holy Spirit. Our dreams, unencumbered by defenses, may hold clues to what our deepest needs are, or what bothers us most. They could be God speaking. Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

*Today's Good News ~Living with Christ*

Although Moses may have been the first to break God's commandments in a fit of righteous indignation, I can vouch that he is not the last. Why is it that when I am incensed at the wrongdoing of those around me, I am most prone to violate the very law of love that I am holding over their heads? "Just anger" is an incendiary emotion—it so easily can get away from me and, like a brushfire, quickly take on a life of its own. God's commandments are a gift for our peace, guidelines for a life of love and well-being. When we use them as a moral yardstick to take the measure of our neighbor, we lose sight of their reality: a precious and sacred covenant that God wrote out for us, binding us together with God in an intimate relationship of love and protection. Holy spirit, our Advocate and Counselor, help us love the law of the Lord and honor the commandments as a personal response to God's infinite love. **Claire King**

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sunday:** Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** St. Ignatius of Loyola
- Tuesday:** St. Alphonsus Liguori
- Wednesday:** St. Eusebius of Vercelli; St. Peter Julian Eymard
- Friday:** St. John Vianney; First Friday
- Saturday:** The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major; First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary



- August 6, 2017** - Picnic in the Park (Holy Redeemer)
- August 26, 2017** - Hope for Haiti White Party
- October 1, 2017** - SVDP Jambalaya Dinner
- October 7, 2017** - Proclaimer's Workshop
- October 14, 2017** - Old School Dance
- October 15, 2017** - Gospel Choir Salad Bar
- October 21, 2017** - Health Cabinet CPR

**MARDI GRAS GALA REVISITED**

DVD's from our "4th Annual Gala" is now available  
Check in the Parish Office  
The DVD's are selling for \$10 each  
Get your copy soon, before they are all gone!!



**Scripture Study**

Come and join Scripture Study every Thursday evening with Sr. Amora at 7:00 pm in Mother Lydia's Chapel. For more information call Gillian Small at (510) 501-9726 or [ggms@att.net](mailto:ggms@att.net)

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!

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- New Parishioner
- Change of Information
- Moving: Remove from list
- Please Call me - best time \_\_\_\_\_
- I would like to serve as \_\_\_\_\_