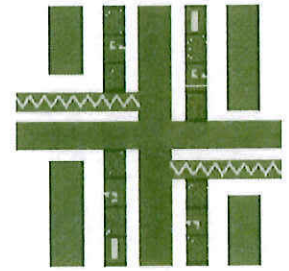


# ST. COLUMBA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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

Wed.- Thurs. 8:00 AM (Mass)  
Mon. & Fri. 8: AM (Communion Service)  
Rosary Mon. - Fri. 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

**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



## Mission & Vision

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

**WE KNOW WHO & WHOSE WE ARE!**

**“WE SEE YOU”**

**JESUS ENDURED  
THE CROSS,  
despising its shame, and has taken his seat  
at the right of the throne of God.**

HEBREWS 12:2



**AUGUST 14, 2016 • TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



Please **turn off** Cell Phones before  
entering Church. Thank you!

## COSTS OF DISCIPLESHIP

Today's responsorial psalm, Psalm 40, is more familiar to us with the refrain "Here am I, Lord." This "Here am I" is Jeremiah's great prophetic response to God's call. But today's story of Jeremiah and the refrain "Lord, come to my aid!" remind us that there are always two sides to following the call of God. The author of the Letter to the Hebrews knew this, too. He reminded his readers that even weighted down with burdens and sins, we can still persevere by keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, who himself knew the shame and pain of the cross, but saw beyond it to the joy of sitting at the right of the throne of God.

Jesus himself gave the disciples a "sneak preview" of a baptism that would not be as wondrous as the one in the Jordan that inaugurated his ministry, but would be one of fire and anguish. Today's words from scripture may not be terribly soothing, but in their honesty and strength we can acknowledge the difficulties of daily discipleship, and take comfort in the assurance of our own salvation in Christ.



The Knights of Peter Claver, Inc. is the largest historically African American Catholic lay organization in the United States. We are recruiting for our Junior Daughters Division. Our Junior Division welcomes Catholic youth between the ages of 7-18. We want to invite young girls to be a part of this great organization. We have monthly meetings, we are active in our community and we do fun activities as well. Our purpose is to render service to God and His Holy Church, render aid and assistance to the sick and disabled, and promote social and intellectual association among our members. If you are interested in being a Junior Daughter, please call Lady Darcell Purefoy at 510-813-0938 or email her at darcellpurefoy@gmail.com

**Request regarding Sunday Bulletin.** Hello St. Columba Bulletins being left behind in the Church after Mass is becoming a real problem. Each Monday someone has to go through the Church and retrieve those left there. We ask that you return it on your way out, if you do not chose to take it home with you, just in case someone else may need one. Your assistance is greatly appreciated. Thanks!  
Bernardine

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Monday:** The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Tuesday:** St. Stephen of Hungary

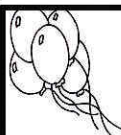
**Friday:** St. John Eudes

**Saturday:** St. Bernard



## ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

Sept. 3-4, 2016 - SVDP Fish Fry  
 Sept. 17, 2016 - Proclaimers Workshop  
 Sept. 5, 2016 - Labor Day (Office Closed)  
 Sept. 17, 2016 - St. Martin de Porres All Class Reunion  
 Oct. 2, 2016 - Barbeque - Women's Group  
 Oct. 16, 2016 - Flea Market - Health Cabinet  
 Oct. 22, 2016 - All Family Faith Day



## SAVE THE DATE

Hope For Haiti  
 "White Party"

August 27, 2016

4:00pm ~ 7:00pm

Please "WEAR WHITE"



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 \_\_\_\_\_