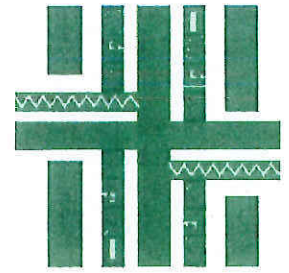


# ST. COLUMBA CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## Pastor

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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

Tuesday - 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

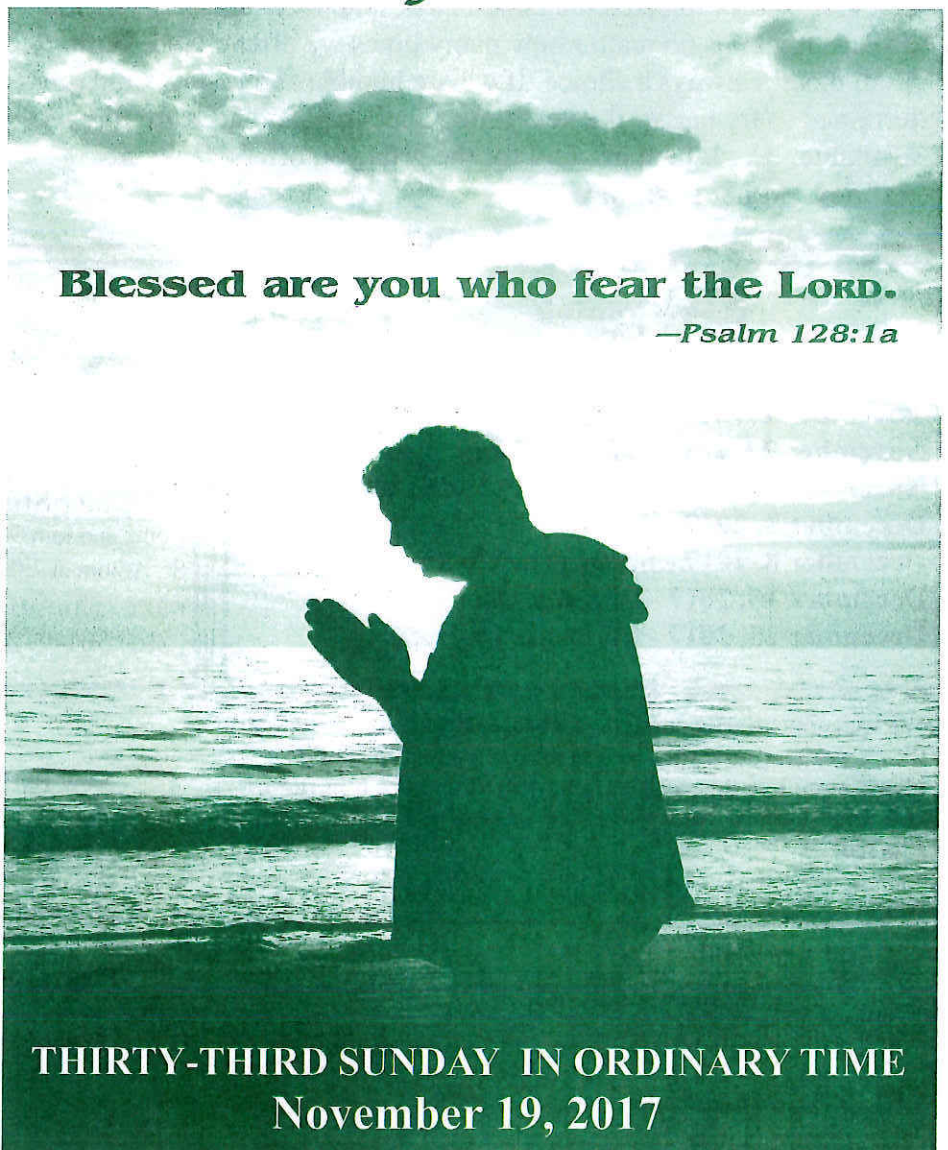


Unity,  
human relations

## Mission & Vision

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

*“Misericordia: Making  
Mercy Visible”*



**Blessed are you who fear the LORD.**

*—Psalm 128:1a*

**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
November 19, 2017**



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



**SHARING OUR GIFTS**

Autumn is the season for harvesting and sharing the fruits of our labors. This week's scriptures use images of the harvest, family life, pregnancy, and investment to describe the abundant harvest in the reign of God. We discover that sharing the gifts we have been given brings eternal rewards for everyone.

In the Gospel parable a master entrusts his possessions to three servants before going on a journey. Each is given some talents. What they do with those talents determines what the master will do with them when he returns. How about us? What are we doing with our talents? How will our Master treat us when he returns?

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*Today's Good News ~Living with Christ*

**"For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable" (Romans 11:29).**

Walking away is difficult, but it happens every day. Wives muster up the courage to leave abusive husbands. People put toxic friendships behind them. Employees leave companies that reward or accept unethical behavior. If counseling or dialogue or whistle-blowing doesn't improve the situation, we may be left with no choice except to go. It's different with God. Just as Paul counseled the Gentiles that God hadn't rejected the Israelites despite their unbelief, so God doesn't reject us no matter how many times we offend God. With God, there's always a choice. If we are humble and contrite and determined to try harder the next time, God's call and gifts are forever available. Lord, I am grateful for the gifts you offer despite my frailties. MELANIE RIGNEY

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

**Sunday:** Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Tuesday:** Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Wednesday:** St. Cecilia

**Thursday:** St. Clement I, St. Columban; Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro; Thanksgiving Day

**Friday:** St. Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions

**Saturday:** St. Catherine of Alexandria;

Blessed Virgin Mary



- November 19, 2017 - Health Cabinet-Holiday Blues
- November 23, 2017 - *Thanksgiving*
- November 26, 2017 - All Family Faith Day
- December 3, 2017 - Advent
- December 8, 2017 - Immaculate Conception
- December 15, 2017 - Christmas Concert
- December 25, 2017 - Christmas Day

**Bulletins / Announcements**

Please remember to submit all information for the Bulletin and/or Sunday Announcements **no later than Tuesday before 10:00 am/inserts before 4:00 p.m.** Thank you.

**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!

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 \_\_\_\_\_