

November 28th, 2021 | 1st Sunday of Advent, Year C

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish



Rev. Nicholas Glisson, Pastor. The Most Reverend Michael Barber, SJ, Bishop – Diocese of Oakland

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:30 pm (Livestreamed)
Sunday 8:00, 9:30 (Garden Mass)
11:30 am

DAILY MASSES

Monday – Saturday 8:30 am
Monday – Friday 5:30 pm

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Monday – Saturday 8:00 am
Monday – Friday 5:15 pm

ROSARY

Monday – Saturday 9:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 to 5:00 pm
(and by appointment)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday
9:00 am – 5:00 pm
Closed for Lunch: Noon-1:00 pm
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*“Together we share our
Faith in Jesus Christ.*

*We live the Gospel,
and we care for others.”*

BAPTISM:

Preparation classes take place on the first Monday of the month.
Please call the parish office for more information.

CONFIRMATION: Classes run from September through May; contact the office for more information.

MARRIAGE:

Please contact the pastor at least six months prior to the wedding.

ANONING OF THE SICK: The Sacrament is offered at every 5th Sunday Mass, and by appointment.

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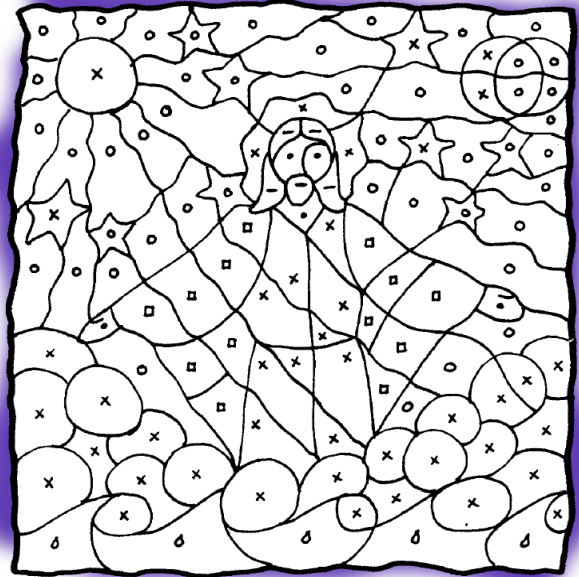
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The Kids' Bulletin

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Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

In today's Gospel reading Jesus talks about what is going to happen when He comes back at the end of the world.

Use the code to colour in the picture!

- × white ◊ blue • skin colour
- black ◻ red - brown

The Second Coming Word Puzzle

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Fill in the missing letters from today's first reading and copy them to finish the last line.

The days are c__ming (5), says __he (14)
Lo __d, (10) when I will f__lfill (9) the
p__omise (6) I made to the __ouse (2) of Israel
and Judah. In tho__c (13) days, in that tim__,
(3) I will raise up for __avid (7) a just shoot; he
shall d__ (8) what is right and jus__ (1) in the
__and.(4) In those days __udah (11) shall be safe
and Jer__salem (12) shall dw__ll (17) secure;
th__s (15) is what they shall __all (16) her:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

11 12 13 14 15 16 17



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Collection for the Week Ending November 21 st , 2021			
Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
11/21/2021	\$7,525.20	\$8,471.00	-\$945.80
Year-to-Date	\$376,876.50	\$408,666.00	-\$31,789.50
<i>Thank you for your stewardship.</i>			

HOLY HOUR
Will Take Place at
3:00 pm on FRIDAY,
DECEMBER 3rd, 2021
~ Note Time Change!



Readings for the Week

- 28th *FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT*
 Jeremiah 33:14-16 / 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2 /
 Luke 21:25-28, 34-36
- 29th *Advent Weekday*
 Isaiah 2:1-5 / Matthew 8:5-11
- 30th *Feast: St. Andrew, Apostle*
 Romans 10:9-18 / Matthew 4:18-22
- 1st *Advent Weekday*
 Isaiah 25:6-10 / Matthew 15:29-37
- 2nd *Advent Weekday*
 Isaiah 26:1-6 / Matthew 7:21, 24-27
- 3rd *Memorial: St. Francis Xavier*
 Isaiah 29:17-24 / Matthew 9:27-31
- 4th *Weekday [St. John Damascene, Priest & Doctor]*
 Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26 / Matthew 9:35-10:1-8

Mass Intentions

- Saturday 5:30 For the People of the Parish
- Sunday 8:00 Holy Souls & Pete Hurd RIP
 9:30 Owen Basil Fitzgerald RIP
 11:30 David Su RIP
- Monday 8:30 Fr. Bruno Barnhart, OSB Cam. RIP
 5:30 Holy Souls
- Tuesday 8:30 Johnny Betschart RIP
 5:30 Holy Souls
- Wednesday 8:30 Intentions of Virginia Jimenez
 5:30 Daniel Cawthorn RIP
- Thursday 8:30 Jewel DeBellis RIP
 5:30 Alice Mazzucchi RIP
- Friday 8:30 Intentions of Vivian Ada Jose
 5:30 Intentions of Michael Wahl
- Saturday 8:30 Ethel Day RIP

Peace & Justice Notes

Death Penalty Update: 13 federal prisoners were executed after resuming executions in July 2020, an extraordinary acceleration under former President Trump. The Justice Department under the Biden Administration has since issued a moratorium on federal executions, and federal prosecutors have dropped capital charges in seven recent cases. But there has been no forthcoming legislation to eliminate the death penalty, nor has President Biden commuted the sentences of the 46 people currently on Federal Death Row (approximately 2,500 people are on Death Row at the state level).

Pope Francis spoke clearly in 2018: the death penalty is "an attack on the inviolability and dignity of the person" that is "inadmissible" in all cases.

Visit deathpenaltyaction.org for ways to support legislation to end the death penalty at both the state and federal level. Federal Death Penalty Prohibition Acts (HR 262 and S.582) were introduced in early 2021; both are now in committee. *Will there be action? Make your voice heard!*

Background: 23 states have eliminated the death penalty. The governors in three states (including California, with 704 inmates on Death Row) have issued a moratorium on state executions. Interestingly, just a few **counties** across the nation represent the majority of executions. This phenomenon has been dubbed the "**2% death penalty**" because executions track to 2% of **counties** in the U.S.). A 2021 study by the NAACP Legal and Educational Defense Fund recently reported that after 20 years of decline, the number of inmates on Death Row has climbed back to 1991 levels. For more information, go to deathpenaltyinfo.org.

Donate gently used eyeglasses and hearing aids: They can find re-use through the *Lions Club* donation program for vision and hearing. Please leave your donations in the collection box located in Norton Hall for those who can use them.

Next Peace & Justice Committee Meeting:
 Friday, December 10, 4:00 in Norton Hall.
 Everyone is welcome!

Notes from Fr. Nick

St. Francis Xavier



St. Francis Xavier, whose feast day we will celebrate this Friday, had a wanderlust that would rival even today's world travelers. Born into Spanish nobility on April 7, 1506, his father died when he was a young boy. At the age of 28, he took his religious vows in Paris along with St. Ignatius Loyola, and thus became a founding member of the Jesuits. Three years later, he was ordained a priest in Venice.

In 1540, Francis began the missionary work that would consume the rest of his life. King John III of Portugal sent him with other colonists to Goa, India, which became his base. He at first evangelized the European settlers in Goa, and eventually travelled to Portuguese colonies in Indonesia and Japan. At each stop along the way, he preached the Gospel and founded Christian communities.

Francis died on December 3, 1552. He had fallen ill on an island off the coast of China while waiting to be allowed to enter the country. He was canonized by Gregory XV on March 12, 1662, along with his fellow Jesuit, Ignatius Loyola.

At least before Covid-19, most of us were often blasé about intercontinental travel. Present circumstances excepted, travel is still relatively easy, but when Francis made his missionary journeys, the difficulty and time required made them more akin to interplanetary travel. Francis saw new worlds that had only recently been discovered by Europeans. There were no travel brochures or websites to prepare him for the people and places he visited. Francis needed imagination, skill and discipline to adapt the Gospel to be understood in new lands that had no previous contact with Western thought.

It is sad to note that, despite Francis' missionary efforts, in many places Christianity failed to take root. Local powers, who had much to lose from the proclamation of the Gospel, are in part responsible for thwarting the church. But the Western insistence on requiring the adoption of European culture along with the Gospel also played a role.

Now, as in Francis' time, it's difficult to sort out what is essential in the Good News and what is the 'cultural baggage' we add to it. Adapting to meet the needs of peoples who approach the world from very different vantage points than ours is the soul of missionary work.

A Taste of JustFaith During Advent!

Are you interested in learning more about Faith and Racial Equity? Did you want to join a *JustFaith* discussion group this Fall, but felt daunted by the amount of reading and study? Would you like to join in the conversation around racial justice?

The ***JustFaith* Community** and the **St. Mary Magdalen Racial Equity Committee** are offering an in-person exercise where we will explore together how policies have contributed over time to the significant racial wealth gap in our country. We invite you to a thoughtful discussion in small groups with parishioners and guests using materials from ***Bread for the World***.

When & Where: **Sunday, December 5th, from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm in the Parish Hall** (masks required)

(The Parish Hall will open at 12:30 pm for coffee and light snacks before the program at 1:00 pm.)

Who: **All are welcome!** Feel free to invite anyone you know who would be interested in learning and growing with us. This event is suitable for children over 12, especially 8th- or 11th-graders studying U.S. history, so bring your family! And friends!

Please RSVP before Friday, December 3rd. Email krstncllns@hotmail.com, or call the office at 510-526-4811.

This November, We've Honored Black & African Catholic Saints, Chosen by Students of the School of the Madeleine



Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions



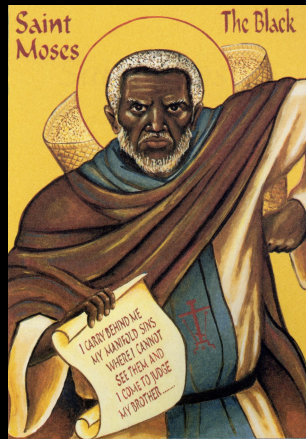
Mother Mary E. Lange



St. Josephine Bakhita



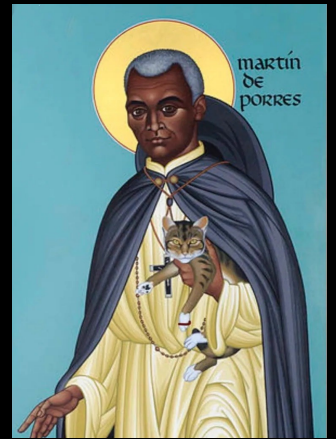
Blessed Anuarite Nengapeta



St. Moses the Black



S. of G. Sr. Thea Bowman



St. Martin de Porres



Venerable Pierre Toussaint



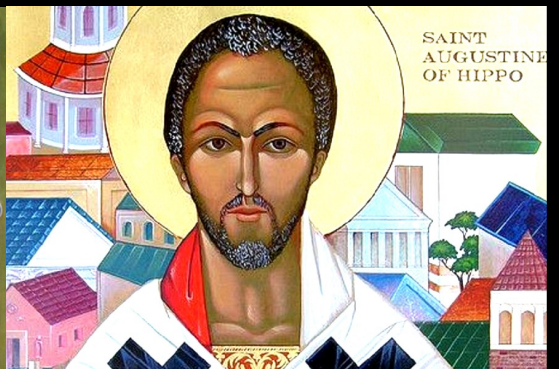
Blessed Julia Greeley



Ven. Fr. Augustus Tolton



Ven. Henriette Delille



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