## St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish



#### We're Celebrating Asian-American & Pacific Islander Month!

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 in good weather)

#### 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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#### WEBSITE



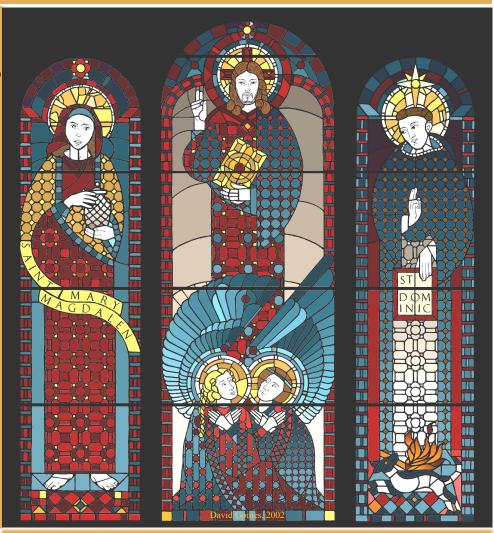




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BAPTISM:

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.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: The Sacrament is offered at every 6th Sunday Mass, and by appointment.

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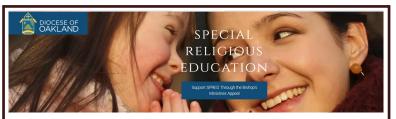
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"If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father."



#### Parish Calendar through June 4th 2022 Asian-American & Pacific Islander Month May 1-31 Entire month Various celebrations! See page 6 for details. Fr. Nick is on vacation in London. May 16-24 Live Performance: Tolton: from Slave to Priest May 21 Saturday 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Parish Hall. See details on page 5. May 22 Concert: Music Sources: Jonathan Rhodes Lee 5:00 pm, Church. Handel's music for harpsichord. Sunday May 24 Sunday Gospel Reflection Group Tuesday 2:00 - 3:00 pm, Zoom. (Contact the parish for link.) May 25 FUNERAL OF LOUISE ("LOLLY") KELLEHER Wednesday 10:00 am, followed by a Reception downstairs. May 25 **Centennial Committee Meeting** Wednesday 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Conference Room. Sunday Gospel Reflection Group May 27 Friday 9:15 - 10:15 am, Norton Hall. May 28 Taizé Service: Meditative Prayer & Music 3:00 pm, Church. Saturday May 28 Concert: Women's Antique Vocal Ensemble Saturday 7:30 pm, Church. Medieval/Renaissance/Baroque May 29 **Berkeley Community Chamber Singers** Sunday 3:30 pm, Church. A cappella madrigals & gospel! May 31 Sunday Gospel Reflection Group 2:00 - 3:00 pm, Zoom. (Contact the parish for link.) Tuesday **Sunday Gospel Reflection Group** June 3 9:15 - 10:15 am, Norton Hall. Friday **June 3 Eucharistic Adoration (Holy Hour)** Friday 6:00 - 7:00 pm, Church. **CONCERT & CUISINE** (Fundraiser; tickets below) June 4 Saturday 6:30 - 9:00 pm, Parish Hall. bit.ly/CnCJun2022



The Special Religious Education Department, or SPRED, reaches out to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, throughout the Diocese of Oakland. SPRED catechists find that faith-sharing with people who have special needs can be a most fulfilling and rewarding ministry. The SPRED center here at St. Mary Magdalen Parish serves adults with developmental disabilities in this area, and we need volunteer catechists!

For more information about St. Mary Magdalen's SPRED group **contact, Vivian Zelaya at 510-499-0547**. A SPRED Helper Catechist's Training will take place on June 25<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to volunteer to be a SPRED Catechist for the 2022-2023 year, please contact Vivian.

#### Sixth Sunday of Easter, Year C ~ May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022

| Collection for the Week Ending May 22nd, 2022 |              |              |             |  |  |
|---|--------------|--------------|-------------|--|--|
| Sunday  | Actual       | Budget       | Difference  |  |  |
| 05/15/2022                                    | \$8,494.95   | \$8,580.00   | -\$85.05    |  |  |
| Year-to-Date                                  | \$184,548.26 | \$188,020.00 | -\$3,471.74 |  |  |
| A very good week. Thank you.                  |              |              |             |  |  |



#### Taizé Service this Saturday, May 28th

The next Taizé service will take place from 3:00 to 4:00 pm on Saturday, May 28th in the church. Come, join us in song, prayer, and adoration of the Cross!

#### What is Taizé?

Read: tinyurl.com/what-is-taize

#### Scripture Readings for the Week

22<sup>nd</sup> Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 15:1-2; 22-29 / Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23 / John 14:23-29

 $23^{rd}$ Easter Weekday

Acts 16:11-15 / John 15:26-16:4

24<sup>th</sup> Easter Weekday

Acts 16:22-34 / John 16:5-11

25<sup>th</sup>Easter Weekday [St. Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor; St. Gregory VII, Pope; St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi] Acts 17:15, 22-18:1 / John 16:12-15

 $26^{th}$ Memorial: St. Philip Neri, Priest.

Acts 18:1-8 / John 16:16-20

Easter Weekday [St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop] 27<sup>th</sup>Acts 18:9-18 / John 16:20-23

28<sup>th</sup>Easter Weekday

Acts 18:23-28 / John 16:23-28

#### **Mass Intentions**



| Saturday  | 5:30  | Robert Reiter RIP               |
|-----------|-------|---------------------------------|
| Sunday    | 8:00  | For the People of the Parish    |
|           | 9:30  | Intentions of Jojo Gabuya       |
|           | 11:30 | Louise ("Lolly") Kelleher RIP   |
| Monday    | 8:30  | Bedros Agopovich RIP            |
|           | 5:30  | Intentions of Julian Assange    |
| Tuesday   | 8:30  | Rolando Robles RIP              |
| Wednesday | 8:30  | Intentions of Conrad McGeoghan  |
|           | 5:30  | Intentions of Carl Makarczyk    |
| Thursday  | 5:30  | Dr. Myo Thant (James) Maung RIP |
| Friday    | 8:30  | Intentions of Julian Assange    |

#### Peace & Justice Notes

It's not too late to take part in this year's *Offering* of Letters! If you haven't yet had a chance to sign a letter or write a postcard, there is still time to ask Senators Feinstein and Padilla to pass the **Global** Malnutrition Prevention and Treatment Act of **2021** (S 2956). Please go to the office and pick up one of the pre-printed letters OR write a postcard in your own words, explaining why you are concerned about the rise of hunger all around the world. Since last weekend we have collected close to 200 letters.

Reminder: our yearly Offering of Letters is an initiative of **Bread** for the World, which is not a charity (as its name might suggest), but a Christian lobbying organization. Each year since



breadfortheworld HAVE FAITH. END HUNGER

1975, thousands of churches from many different faith traditions have taken part in an Offering of *Letters*, urging our nation's decision-makers to pass legislation to end hunger at home and abroad.

Bread for the World has been widely acclaimed for decades of successful advocacy on behalf of the world's poor. Sadly, hunger, malnutrition and stunting are once again increasing around the world. It is more urgent than ever that we ask our legislators to reverse this tragic trend. For more information, go to bread.org/write-congress.

#### **Recent Refugees Need Used Bicycles**

Do you have a bicycle that you are no longer using? Bicycles are a cheap, reliable form of transportation for

refugees who have recently arrived in

Oakland or other parts of the East Bay.

Members of our parish have in the past donated bikes that have enabled several refugees to take jobs they would not have been able to accept otherwise. More bikes are always needed!

If you have a bike available to donate, please phone Monica Grycz at 526-0637. Helmets & bicycle locks are also appreciated.

#### Notes from Fr. Nick

#### Kenosis

If *gnosis*, which we discussed last week, is personal knowledge or revelation, then *kenosis* may be its opposite. Kenosis is an emptying of one's self so that the Spirit may inhabit our being.

Saint Paul describes Jesus as emptying himself to enter our world. (Philippians 2:7) In other words, God exercised perfect humility when he became a human being. Therefore, it is incumbent on us to imitate him and see ourselves as servants of others. For Christians to live truly kenotic lives, they must live humbly, sacrificing themselves to the love of God. This is the essence of kenosis.

In his *Dark Night of the Soul*, Saint John of the Cross talked about the "self-emptying of our egos so that we are receptive to the divine will of God." It is only through this receptivity that one can be made over in the likeness of Christ.

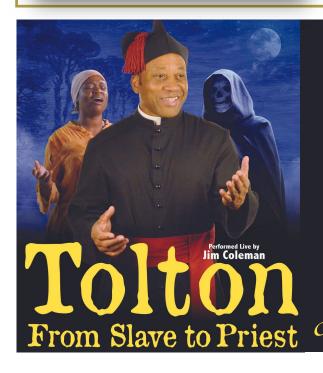
Saint Ignatius of Loyola beautifully expresses the concept of kenosis in his prayer known as Suscipe:



Take, Lord receive all my liberty, my memory, understanding, and my whole will, all I have and possess.

You have given it all to me Lord; I give it all back to you.

Do with it as you will, according to your good pleasure. Give me your love and your grace;
For this is sufficient for me.



### St. Mary Magdalen Parish Hall

7:00~8:30 pm Saturday, May 21st

Tickets \$20: square.link/u/dN1jpqsu or call the office at 510~526~4811

#### Fr. Laurent Okitakatshi Received his Ph.D. at the GTU! (Part 2)











Thank you, Fr. Laurent, for the years you gave us.
Our parish will forever be enriched by the memories of your brilliant homilies & your prayerful devotion.
Chapeau!



#### May is Asian-American & Pacific Islander Month

This year, St. Mary Magdalen Parish is honoring our many parishioners of Asian or Pacific Island descent with four events in May and June:

- 1/ As was done for **Black History Month** in February, the *Racial Equity Committee* this time in concert with students from the *School of the Madeleine!* has composed **short biographies of 12 notable Americans of Asian or Pacific Islander descent**. The posters are now displayed inside the church, on the Henry Street fence, and <u>on our website</u>. The posters were published in the two previous editions of the Bulletin, and remain available on our website.
- **2/** An *Asian-American Historical Timeline* is posted on the back wall of the church, and <u>on our website</u>; see page 1 of 2 below. (*If you're reading the electronic version of the Bulletin, click to enlarge!*)
- 3/ Parish Movie Night presented *Valor with Honor*, a documentary about the celebrated Nisei 442<sup>nd</sup> Regiment.
- **4**/ A trip to the **Bancroft Library** took place to visit the <u>exhibit</u> honoring the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the internment of Japanese-Americans living on the West Coast. (*The exhibit is open M-F through the end of June , and Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>.*)
- 5/ A manual for a <u>self-guided pilgrimage</u> of Asian-American historical sites in Berkeley and the inner Bay Area is available in the church, in the parish office, and <u>on our website</u>.
- **6/** A **Mini-Conference** will take place at **10:30** am on **Saturday**, **June 25**th: talks by two longstanding parishioners, children of Japanese-American internees, not only concerning their parents' internment, but elucidating the Asian-American experience: what it means, how it feels to be an Asian-American in the United States today.



Posters of our 12 Honorees for AAPI month on the fence and in the church.



#### Asian-American Historical Timeline 1815-1941

 $\textbf{1815} - \textbf{The first mention by name of an Asian in California was \textbf{Ah Nam}, the cook for Gov. Pablo Vicente de Sola in Monterey.}$ 

**1850** — **California established an anti-miscegenation law** prohibiting interracial marriage between whites and blacks or "mulattoes." This law was subsequently applied to other nonwhites.

1851 — Over 25,000 Chinese gold miners had arrived in California, more than 10,000 of them doing the most dangerous work.

1859 — Chinese immigrant labor was used in large scale in the cigar industry; by 1866, half of the cigar factories were owned by Chinese-Americans; by 1870, more than 90 % of total cigar labor force was Chinese-American.

1860 — Two discriminatory laws were passed in California: (1) Chinese-American children were not allowed to attend public schools, and (2) Chinese-American fishermen were required to purchase a special license. Statewide, Chinese immigrants had settled in all but 5 counties in California and by 1870, were working in many occupations, including many stonemasons.

1862 — First nationwide legislation: Congress passes a "Cooly Traffic Law" prohibiting transportation and importation of so-called "coolles" from China, with few exceptions. The California legislature passed an act to protect free white labor against competition from Chinese coolie labor, discouraging Chinese immigration into California. In 1863, a "police tax law" imposed on those producing sugar, rice, coffee, or tea was ruled unconstitutional by the State Supreme Court.

 ${\bf 1867-2,}000$  Chinese-American railroad workers go on strike.

 ${\bf 1869}-{\sf The}$  Transcontinental Railroad was completed by Chinese labor.

1869 — The Wakamatsu Tea & Silk Colony settled in northern California and showed their produce at agricultural fairs, but returned to Japan two years later. One member, Okei Ito, died there and is the first Japanese woman to be buried on U.S. soil.

1871 — The Los Angeles Massacre occurred on October 24th. Nineteen Chinese-Americans were killed at the hands of a mob

1875 — Chinese-Americans were restricted to a "Chinese Quarter" in San Francisco. The first restrictive federal immigration law in the United States was enacted: the Page Act, which prohibited the entry of Chinese women into the United States.

1880 — Japanese immigration to the U.S. began, as Chinese immigration restrictions increased.

1882 — Congress passed the Chinese Exclusion Act, banning the immigration of Chinese laborers into the United States. The Act permitted entry only to merchants, clergy, diplomats, teachers, and students.

1885 — Rock Springs Massacre — in Wyoming, 28 Chinese laborers were killed by white coal miners fearing job losses.

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1892 — Congress passed the Geary Act, extending the Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882 for another 10 years.

1902 — The Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882 was again renewed.

1904 — The Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882 was extended indefinitely, preventing Chinese-Americans from bringing their families to the U.S. Most Chinese immigrants were unmarried; anti-miscegenation laws forbade them to marry white women

1905 — The Asiatic Exclusion League was formed in San Francisco.

 $\textbf{1906} - \mathsf{San}\,\mathsf{Francisco's}\,\mathsf{Board}\,\mathsf{of}\,\mathsf{Education}\,\mathsf{segregated}\,\mathsf{children}\,\mathsf{of}\,\mathsf{Chinese}, \mathsf{Japanese}\,\mathsf{and}\,\mathsf{Korean}\,\mathsf{ancestry}\,\mathsf{in}\,\mathsf{the}\,\mathsf{public}\,\mathsf{schools}.$ 

1908 — The Gentleman's Agreement between Japan and the U.S. halted the number of Japanese laborers allowed to immigrate.

1910 — Angel Island opened as a major port of entry for Asian immigrants; thousands of Asians (the majority Chinese) were interrogated and detained there for up to 22 months.

1913 — California was one of 13 states to pass an Alien Land Law, restricting possession and ownership of land by Japanese.

1917 — The Immigration Act of 1917 – also known as the "Literacy Act" or the "Asiatic Barred Zone" – restricted immigration by imposing literacy tests on immigrants and barring immigration from the Asia-Pacific zone: Chinese, Asian Indians, Burrnese, Thai, Malays. Prohibitions against Japanese immigrants were already in place. (The Philippines was a U.S. territory.)

1922 — The Cable Act caused women who married Asian men to lose their American citizenship

1924 — The Immigration Act of 1924, also known as the Exclusion Act of 1924, stopped all immigration from Asia, while permitting limited quotas of European immigrants.

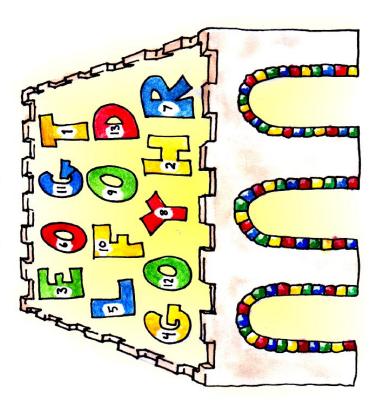
1920s & 1930s — Filipino Immigration. Filipino men immigrated in large numbers, since the Philippines were under U.S. colonial rule, thus enabling immigration of one Asian group while others were banned under the Immigration Act of 1924. However, the Filipino immigrants were not allowed to become citizens, and experienced limited work opportunities, low pay, and poor working conditions under harsh, racially-discriminatory practices.

1941 — Dec 7<sup>th</sup>: Japan attacked Pearl Harbor.

This list was compiled by Arlene Makita-Acuña of the parish Racial Equity Committee in commemoration of Asian/Pacific Islander Heritage Month

# The Kids' Bulletin

Sixth Sunday of Easter May 22nd, 2022



the new Jerusalem, the heavenly city. Sort out the letters by their numbers Today's second reading tells about to fill in the blanks... The city has no need of sun or moon because

Rev.21:22-23 will be its light.

# Gospel Match-up

See if you can match up the parts of the sentences. How well do you know today's Gospel?

1. If a man loves me, he

A. make our home

with him.

- B. is my gift to you.

C. will not keep

my words.

- 2. My Father
- 3. We will come to him and
- D. will keep my
- 4. He who does not love me
- word.
- 5. These things I
- 6. The Holy Spirit
- you, while I am still with you.

E. have spoken to

- F. will love him...
- G. will teach you all things.

the world cannot

give, this

7. A peace that





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