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Third Sunday
of Lent
March 23, 2025

My Lord and My God

The Betsy Harvey Funeral

The funeral for Betsy Harvey, former school secretary and former parishioner, is this Saturday, March 22, at 10:30AM here at St. Mary Magdalen. All are welcome to attend.

Donate to CRS

This week we take up the Catholic Relief Services Collection to Reveal Christ's Love to our brothers and sisters in need. This collection makes grants to six Catholic agencies that provide relief and support for struggling communities and work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters, both here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief

Blue and Gold Gala Auction

This is the weekend of the Gala. If you are not going but would like to be a part of the fun, then checkout the School of the Madeleine's annual online auction which opened on March 16. The auction has over 300 items ranging from wine and wine tastings, items for the home, gift certificates to local shops and restaurants, sporting events and more! It's the school's biggest fundraiser of the year, and your support directly benefits the students and teachers. Please note that items must be picked up from the school on designated dates. <https://auctria.events/MADBlueAndGoldAuctionGala2025>

Please Keep our Elect and Candidates in Your Prayer

This weekend, at the 8:00AM Mass, our Elect will experience their first Scrutiny, an examination of conscience, in preparation for the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil. PS-We will be using the Year A readings for the 3rd Sunday of Lent at this Mass.

Parish Office Closure

The Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday, March 26, due to an electrical service disruption. PG&E will be replacing power poles in the area and we will not have electrical power during the day. This not only effects the lights and appliances, but the phone system as well. In addition, the 8:30AM Mass will be cancelled. We anticipate that the 5:30PM Mass will continue as planned with or without electricity.

Lenten Reconciliation Service

On Monday, March 31, at 7:30PM we will celebrate a Communal Penance Service in the church. These are beautiful and prayerful confession services.

Death of Parishioner William Rauch

William 'Bill' Rauch died on Friday, March 14. At this time, we do not have any information about his funeral service.

"Together we share our faith in Jesus Christ. We live the Gospel, and we care for others."

A Memorial for Claudette Terry's Daughter

Claudette Terry lost her daughter, Danielle, last year. She has chosen to celebrate her daughter's life on Saturday, April 5, at 11:30AM, with a Memorial Mass and reception.

Two Concerts

Music Sources at 5:00PM on Sunday, March 23, in the church. Barefoot Chamber Ensemble at 6:30PM on Friday, March 28, in Magdalen Hall.

The Lenten Journey

Here are some Lenten reminders: Fridays are days of abstinence (fish is allowed); on Fridays we pray with the Stations of the Cross following the 5:30PM Mass; after the Stations, you are invited to go to Norton Hall for a Soup Supper; on Mondays we celebrate Adoration and Benediction after the 5:30PM Mass; finally, be sure to take a CRS Rice Bowl home with you, charitable organizations that minister to foreign countries need more help than ever these days.

Happenings Elsewhere

Bay Wide Young Adult Mass is Saturday, March 22, at 7:30PM at St. Joseph's Basilica in Alameda (1109 Chestnut St., Alameda 94501). There will be fellowship after the Mass.

On March 27, St. Columba Church is presenting a documentary film about two families beginning the process of repair. The event begins at 5:30PM in the parish Hall. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Berkeley Waterfront-Waterfront Scavenger Hunt. Saturday, April 26, 2025 from 2:00PM to 4:00PM. Grab some friend, solve riddles, and find the squirrels hidden throughout the Waterfront. The team who finds the most squirrels wins! \$20 registration fee per team of up to 6 people. The recommended age is 16 and up. Learn more here: <https://berkeleyca.gov/community-recreation/events/berkeley-bay-festival-0>

Fresh Adventures Family Camp is for families that are new to the Berkeley Sleep-Away Camp Experience. Please see the attached flyer.

Bishop Barber has announced a series of events so that more people can participate in the graces of the Jubilee Year of Hope, especially the reception of plenary indulgences. There is a flyer posted in the vestibule. See the video here: <https://vimeo.com/1057241084?share=copy#t=0>.

See the Bulletin, Website and Bulletin Board in the Church for More information