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♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦
Reverend Brian Costello, Pastor
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Mr. Francis Cianciolo, Sacristan
Mrs. Angelita Pasamba, Choir Director

♦ MASS SCHEDULE ♦
Saturday Evening: 5:00 p.m.
Sundays: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., & 12:00 Noon
Daily: 8:00 a.m.
Holy Days: 8:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon, 7:30 p.m.
First Fridays: All day Adoration: 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Holy Hour and Benediction: 7:30 p.m.
Reconciliation: Saturday 4:15—4:45 p.m.

♦ BAPTISM ♦
Sundays at 1:00 p.m.
Parents are expected to be registered and practicing Catholics witnessing to their faith by regular attendance at Mass. Parents should contact the rectory at least three months prior to the desired date of Baptism, in order to allow sufficient time for the sacramental preparation.

♦ FIRST EUCHARIST/RECONCILIATION ♦
Children must be enrolled in the Faith Formation Class one year prior to the year of preparation for the Sacrament. In most cases, this sacrament is celebrated in Second Grade.

♦ CONFIRMATION ♦
Children must be enrolled in the Faith Formation Class one year prior to the year of preparation for the Sacrament. In most cases, this sacrament is celebrated in Eighth Grade.

♦ MARRIAGE ♦
Engaged couples are to contact the rectory at least six months before the desired date in order to prepare properly for the celebration of the sacrament.

EASTER SUNDAY

The Resurrection by Fra Angelico, 1401

WELCOME: We hope you get to know us and we get to know you. Please fill out the bottom portion and place it in the collection basket, or mail it to: 307 Willow Ave., SSF, CA 94080-1446. To complete the registration, we will mail you a registration form to fill out and return. Thank you.
Name_______________________________________ Phone_______________________
Address_________________________________ City___________________ Zip_________
□ New Parishioner
□ New Address
□ New Phone Number
□ Moving/Remove Name
EASTER SUNDAY

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Psalm 118

PROCLAIM THE RISEN CHRIST

On Easter morning everything—the spring weather, the flowers, birds and butterflies, the people around us in their finery, the beautiful liturgy and music; everything seems to bear witness that Jesus Christ is risen today! Like the eyewitness accounts in today’s scriptures, the glorious and joyful life all around us helps us to believe the good news of the Resurrection and sing “Alleluia!” In the scriptures today, we hear from Peter and Paul and John. All three speak with conviction about witnessing the resurrected Christ. John’s Gospel account includes Mary of Magdala, who also was privileged to witness the Resurrection and tell others the good news. On this glorious Easter Sunday can we ourselves give eyewitness accounts that Jesus Christ is risen today, alive and active in our lives?

Please keep all those who are sick in our parish family in your prayers, especially Lorna Agdeppa and Pat Dunleavy.

Our prayers are with them.

Our Rectory Office will be closed on Easter Monday, April 13th.

Alleluia! Christ is risen and is victorious over sin and death! We are good stewards of our faith if, like St. Paul, we share this good news whenever and wherever we can. Alleluia!

From Stewardship by the Book, by Sharon Hueckel
Dear Friends,

On our secular calendars, Easter lasts but one day. On our Church calendars, though, the celebration of Easter lasts 50 days. The Easter Season is to the year what Sunday is to the week. We live as if God’s kingdom has already come . . . because it has. We put aside our fasting for Lent for feasting and celebration. We put away the sand, which we blessed ourselves with during Lent, and now we bless ourselves with baptismal water to remind us of our share in Jesus’ Passion, death, and Resurrection. “Alleluia” is our song because we are very happy to praise the Lord. The stories we read from the scriptures are of Thomas’ and Mary Magdalene’s encounters with the risen Lord, of meals with Jesus, of the Good Shepherd, and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. I pray that during this Easter Season we grow closer together as a parish family.

Happy, happy Easter!
Father Brian

His Spirit’s Breath
Prophecy was fulfilled the day,
He died to take our sins away.
Three days of darkness . . .
then a gift from above,
a miracle filled with faith, hope and love.
Jesus arose filled with God’s light,
and those who believe walk by faith
not by sight.
Like flowers blossoming in the spring,
His Spirit’s breath changed everything.
The seed of Easter planted and grown,
blooms into a life of its own.
We are blessed with a fresh attitude,
filled with love and gratitude.
As we grow in wisdom we realize,
that we see life through His eyes.
Light of the world, gift from above,
thank you for giving us faith, hope and love.

By: Kay E. Richardson, 2009
Poet Laureate of Mater Dolorosa

MATER DOLOROSA’S PARISHIONERS OF THE YEAR for 2009
The Young Men’s Institute, South San Francisco Council #32 of So. San Francisco, honors a Parishioner of the Year from each parish in So. San Francisco, at an annual Communion Breakfast. This year, the breakfast will be held at All Soul’s Church on April 19th. Mater Dolorosa has chosen Jim and Angela Rodriguez to honor this year. Many of you who know Jim and Angi know they have a large family with lots of needs, but they never fail to help out with hospitality, parish functions and both are active in the Parish Council. Jim and Angi are the two people we call on for every parish event, and they never say "no". Angela is a Mater Dolorosa alumni, their son attended Mater Dolorosa school until its closure, and they were married here in 1976. Their large extended family are all very involved with church activities, and last Sunday, their grandson was baptized at M.D.. Not only are they a big help in everything we do around here, they love Mater Dolorosa Parish, and that is invaluable. They are the pillars of our church.

Congratulations and thank you, Jim and Angi!

INTERNATIONAL DINNER AT MD
SAVE THE DATE!
April 25, 2009 – 6:00 p.m.
Mater Dolorosa Parish Hall

Please join the members of The Society of St. Vincent de Paul for their 6th Annual International Dinner which will be held on Saturday, April 25th at 6:00 p.m. (after the 5:00 p.m. Mass) in our parish hall. Tickets will be available after some Masses.

Prices for tickets are:
$12.00 per adult
$ 8.00 for children ages 5-12
Free for children ages 4 and under

After April 15th prices for tickets will be:
$15.00 per adult
$10.00 for children ages 5-12
Free for children ages 4 and under

For more information, please call:
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