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♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦
Reverend Brian Costello, Pastor
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Mrs. Frances Lidwell, Parish Manager
Mrs. Rachael Smit, Director of Religious Education
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.

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
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Lord has revealed to the nations
His saving power.
Psalm 98

THE THEME OF THE LITURGY:
It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you
and appointed you to go and bear fruit.
John 15:16

First Reading: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out on the
Gentiles.

Second Reading: 1 John 4:7-10
God is love.

Gospel: John 15:9-17
No one has greater love than this; to lay down one’s life
for one’s friends.

COLLECTION TOTALS
May 10, 2009

First Collection Total $ 4,550.50
Parish Improvement $ 2,052.00

Our Second Collection this Sunday is for Catholic Communications. Our Second Collection next Sunday is for our Helping Hands Fund.

Thank you for supporting your parish
and your Catholic Church!

Please keep all those who are sick in our parish family in your prayers, especially Cliff Chase, Pat Dunleavy, and Olga Montoya.

Our prayers are with them, and all those who care for them.

In the Gospel for the Sixth Sunday of Easter we are met with an extraordinary challenge: Jesus commands us to “love one another as I love you” (John 15:12). The letter from John echoes this command. Of course, we are to love those in our family, those we work with, those we like. But the scriptures make clear that we are also to love those we never notice, those we purposely avoid, and even those we are tempted to despise.

In this Sunday’s selection from the Acts of the Apostles, Peter shows us how far God’s love extends, and how far our love should extend in response. Peter realizes that God no longer “shows partiality” to the Jews, sharing divine love exclusively with them. Christ has revealed that God’s love extends to all people, and so should ours.
SUMMER BIBLE CAMP at Mater Dolorosa Church
June 22-26, 2009
GREAT BIBLE REEF:
Dive Deep into God’s Word

Summer Bible Camp is open to all children who are completing Kindergarten through Grade 6 this year. Registration forms are available in the Faith Formation Office or the Rectory Office. Please contact Rachael Smit at 650-588-8175, if you have any questions about the program.

ANNOUNCEMENTS and THANKS

1) Thank you Lillie Villaluna and “her angels” for making 350 beautiful carnation corsages for Mother’s Day last Sunday. You made that day just a little more special for all our mothers.
2) Congratulations to our 18 young adults who received Confirmation at St. Mary’s Cathedral yesterday. Their names will appear in next week’s bulletin.
3) We welcome the Santo Cristo Group as they celebrate their annual Mass with us at 10:00 a.m. It’s good to have you back with us.
4) The Ascension of the Lord will be celebrated next Sunday at all the Masses. Thus, this Thursday, May 21st, is not a Holy Day of Obligation.

OUR CONGRATULATIONS GO TO THE FOLLOWING CHILDREN WHO RECEIVED THEIR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ON MAY 2, 2009:
Tomas Jacob Barba
Edwin Fonseca
Oscar Ivan Fonseca
Guadalupe J. Garcilazo
Anne Lorraine A. Jalandoni
Jason Ryan Javier
Mariama M. Miranda
Julianne Marie Obiniana
Isabelle Marie Pacleb
Hazelyn Anne Rose Pader
Oscar Reyes, Jr.
Andrea Rodriguez
Miguel M. Roque
Ainsley D. Rosenthal
Jared Santos
Aaron U. Saria
Melanie Trujillo

OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH THEM AND THEIR FAMILIES IN THIS NEW BEGINNING WITH CHRIST OUR LORD.

A CONFORMATION PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Loving Father, help me, through the gifts of the Holy Spirit received at my Confirmation, to discover my vocation in life. And if it is Your Will, help me to be strong and be willing to follow the path to You as your Priest, Religious Sister or Brother. Guide my parents, family and friends, too, on their paths, and help us all to be loving and encouraging to one another as we try to follow Jesus in all things.

Amen

Faith Formation News!

On May 19th at 3:45 p.m., we will have a year-end closing ceremony for the Faith Formation classes in the Parish Hall. There will be recognition awards, pizza and cake.

Parents and all children are invited. You may also register for the Faith Formation school year for 2009—2010.

Please plan to join us for the celebration!