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♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦
Reverend Brian Costello, Pastor
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Deacon Alex Aragon
Mrs. Frances Lidwell, Parish Manager
Mrs. Rachael Smit, Director of Religious Education
Ms. Diana Powell, Director of RCIA
Mr. Francis Cianciolo, Sacristan
Mrs. Angelita Pasamba, Choir Director

♦ MASS SCHEDULE ♦
Saturday Evening: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., & 12:00 Noon
First Sunday: Traditional Latin Mass at 6:30 p.m.
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.
Benediction: 7:30 p.m.
Reconciliation: Saturday 4:15—4:45 p.m.

♦ BAPTISM ♦
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 reception of 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 reception of the Sacrament. In most
cases, this sacrament is celebrated in Eighth Grade.

♦ RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ♦
C.F.F.—Child Faith Formation. Programs nurturing
children’s growth and forming their baptismal faith from
Grade 1 to Grade 9. Classes are on Tuesday afternoons
and evenings beginning in September.

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
THE THEME OF THE LITURGY:
Jesus Christ is the one and only King over all seasons, all people, and all of creation.

First Reading: Daniel 7:13-14
One like a Son of Man received dominion, glory, and kingship.

Second Reading: Revelation 15:5-8
Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead.

Gospel: John 18:33b-37
For this I came into the world, to testify to the truth.

Please keep all those who are sick in our parish family in your prayers, especially:
Cliff Chase, Tony DeCesare, Patrick & Kathleen Dunleavy, Dawn Hassinger, Doro-thy Lake, Olga Montoya, Helen Minotti, Jack Pacheco, Marlo Taguas, and Mary Katherine Thompson.

OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH THEM.

DAY | TIME | MASS INTENTIONS
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SUN | 8:00 a.m. | Jose Albornoz (D)
 | 10:00 a.m. | People of the Parish
 | 12:00 p.m. | Basilio Japson (D)
MON | 8:00 a.m. | Ramon Palencia (D)
TUES | 8:00 a.m. | Herminio DeGuzman (D)
WED | 8:00 a.m. | Vocations
THUR | 10:00 a.m. | Deceased Members of The St. Vincent de Paul Society
FRI | 8:00 a.m. | John McGuire (D)
SAT | 8:00 a.m. | For Our Priests
 | 5:00 p.m. | Elodia Perez (D)

FOR THE COMING WEEK: Nov. 22 — Nov. 28

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS/BINGO LUNCHEON
Saturday, December 5th
Doors Open at 11:30
Sit Down Luncheon at 12:30

BINGO & RAFFLE FOR PRIZES

| ADULTS | $15.00 | CHILDREN UNDER 12 | $7.50 |

Please bring an inexpensive (approximately $5.00) UNWRAPPED good neighbor gift for the gift table.

Call for Reservations:
Terry Keller at 650-583-3385
Sandee Chan at 650-872-3816

Tickets On Sale Now in the Rectory Office for . . . A CHRISTMAS TO REMEMBER
Presented by: The Mater Dolorosa Hallelujah Chorale & Cherubim
Friday, December 11, 2009
Saturday, December 12, 2009
Tickets—$10.00 in Advance
15.00 at the Door

Have a blessed and wonderful Thanksgiving!
Dear Friends,

Thursday is Thanksgiving Day. I hope you gobble up this Dear Abby column from a few years ago.

How’s your health? Not so good? Well, thank God you’ve lived this long. A lot of people haven’t. You’re hurting? Thousands—maybe millions are hurting more. (Have you ever visited a veterans’ hospital? Or a rehabilitation clinic for handicapped children?) If you awakened this morning and were able to hear the birds sing, use your vocal chords to utter human sounds, walk to the breakfast table on two good legs, and read the newspaper with two good eyes, praise the Lord! A lot of people couldn’t.

How’s your pocketbook? Thin? Well, most of the living world is a lot poorer. No pensions. No welfare. No Social Security. In fact, one-third of the people in the world will go to bed hungry tonight.

Are you lonely? The way to have a friend is to be one. If nobody calls you, call them. Go out of your way to do something nice for somebody. It’s a sure cure for the blues.

Are you concerned about your country’s future? Hooray! Our system has been saved by such concern. Concern for honesty in government, concern for peace, and concern for fair play under the law. Your country may not be a rose garden, but it also is not a patch of weeds. Freedom rings! Look and listen. You can still worship at the church of your choice, cast a secret ballot, and even criticize your government without fearing a knock on the head or a knock at the door at midnight. And if you want to live under a different system, you are free to go. There are no walls or fences, nothing to keep you here.

As a final thought, here is my Thanksgiving Prayer

Heavenly Father: We thank you for food and remember the hungry.
We thank you for friends and remember the friendless,
We thank you for freedom and remember the enslaved.
May these remembrances stir us to service,
That your gifts to us may be used for others.
Amen

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving and may God bless you and yours,

Father Brian

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**SIMBANG GAGI at MATER DOLOROSA**

Have you read or heard the Old Testament and Gospel readings leading to the story of the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ? By attending the “Advent Evening Masses” (Simbang Gabi) for 9 days, you will hear these Bible stories and Christmas Carols. The spiritual significance of the Incarnation will remind us the **real reason for the season.** The Masses will be from December 15th to the 23rd at 7:00 p.m. (except December 19th, the time will be 5:00 p.m.)

Our theme from Ephesians 4:4-6: *One body and one Spirit, as you were called to the one hope of your call; One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all in all.*

For more information, please contact Deacon Alex Aragon at Deaconalex@comcast.net.

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**UPCOMING EVENTS at MATER DOLOROSA**

**Thursday, November 26th:**
Thanksgiving Mass at 10:00 a.m. A collection will be taken up for both the St. Anthony’s Dining Room in San Francisco and the typhoon victims in the Philippines. No 8:00 a.m. Mass. Rectory Office closed 26th & 27th.

**Sunday, November 29th:**
Father David Tobin to speak at all the Masses. Father David, a Redemptorist, will talk about *Liguorian Magazine.*

2) Father Sebastian, Superior General of the Missionaries of Charity, will be coming here from Rome. He will celebrate the 12 Noon Mass and will lead an Advent Day of Prayer from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the hall. There will be a pot luck lunch in the hall beginning at 1:00 p.m.

**Saturday, December 5th:**
Annual Christmas Bingo Luncheon at 11:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, December 8th:**
Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mass times: 8:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., & 7:30 p.m.

**Sunday, December 6th:**
A visit from St. Nick at the 10:00 a.m. Mass

**Thursday, December 10**
Staff/Volunteer Christmas Thank-you Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

**Friday, & Saturday, December 11th & 12th:**
Annual Christmas Concert with the Alleluia Choir at 7:30 p.m.

**Monday, December 14**
Advent Reconciliation Service at St. Veronica’s Church at 7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, December 15 to Wednesday, December 23rd:**
Simbang Gabi Mass Every Evening at 7:00 p.m.

**Saturday, December 19:**
Youth Mass at 5:00 p.m.