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Monday—Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

♦ 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 5:30 p.m.
Daily:  8:00 a.m.
Holy Days: 8:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon, 7:30 p.m.
First Fridays: Eucharistic Adoration:
             8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
             Benediction: 10:30 a.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

FIRST SUNDAY of LENT
First Sunday in Lent

"Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble"

Psalm 91

THE THEME OF THE LITURGY:
As this season of Lent unfolds, let us spend these forty days calling upon the name of the Lord, asking for forgiveness and healing.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10
The Israelites show their faith by offering the Lord first fruits of the products of their new land.

Second Reading: Romans 10:8-13
All who express faith in the risen Christ and confess that he is Lord will be saved.

Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and was tempted.

Please keep all those who are sick in our parish family in your prayers, especially: Cliff Chase, Dawn Hassinger, Dorothy Lake, Marlo Taguas and Barbara Wiggs.

OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH THEM and THEIR FAMILIES.

HOUSEKEEPER NEEDED
10:00—1:00 p.m. Monday, Wednesday & Friday
Good Communication Skills
General Housekeeping
Light Lifting
Laundry, Housecleaning, Dishes, etc.
Call Fran at 650-583-4131
Dear Friends,

Each year at this time, Archbishop George Niederauer asks us to join his efforts to provide programs and ministries to the people of the Archdiocese of San Francisco through our participation in the Archbishop’s Annual Appeal. We are called by God to be good stewards of all that He has given us, and this Appeal is an excellent way to respond to that call.

In the Gospel of Luke, we are reminded over and over again that we have all benefited from God’s goodness. Each of us has been richly blessed and we can each find some way to give back to God. We can become the hands and heart of Jesus through our participation in this Appeal. The ministries funded by the Appeal reach the poor, the homeless, youth, senior citizens, the disabled, the sick, and many, many other people in need. These ministries and services aid virtually every Catholic, and the Appeal also helps to spread the Good News to people who have not yet heard of Jesus Christ. Every Catholic at Mater Dolorosa is asked to consider participation in this program.

Our parish assessment this year is $45,500. I ask you to consider making a donation this year so that we can meet our assessed amount. I will personally pledge $455 to our parish assessment, which is 1% of our goal. I ask you to join me in giving 1% or more to the Appeal as well. All those who join me in this 1% Club will be treated to a Thank You Dinner in the Parish Hall, on Friday, May 15th at 6:00 p.m. I hope and pray that you will answer my call to at least match or give more than my own personal donation. Of course, any amount that you can give will be greatly appreciated. It is also my hope and prayer that more of our parish family will be willing to give than the 312 parishioners, out of a total of 661 registered parishioners, who gave last year. Any money raised in addition to $45,500 will be used for our own parish needs. Some of the ways we might use that money include: 1) repairing the stained glass windows in the Church, estimated cost $50,000; 2) replacing the two sliding doors in the Church that lead into the hall; 3) replacing the Anchor fencing around the parish property, estimated cost $40,000; 4) replacing the wood fence around the convent and rectory gardens; and 5) painting the exterior of the convent and make the necessary repairs, estimated cost $5,000.

Pledge cards are in the vestibule of the church. Thank you for your careful consideration of this matter and your willingness to make a pledge.

God bless you for your stewardship and for your support of the efforts of our Church to share our abundance with those in need.

Have a great week!
Father Brian

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DEACON ALEX ARAGON’s 15 YEAR ANNIVERSARY of ORDINATION
Sunday, February 28th—12:00 p.m. Mass
Please join us at the 12:00 Mass followed by a lunch reception in the Parish Hall to honor Deacon Alex Aragon’s 15 year anniversary as a Deacon. We are very lucky to have Deacon Alex at Mater Dolorosa, with his contributions to the CFF Confirmation Program, Simbang Gabi, Second Harvest Brown Bag Distribution, preaching at Mass, the Baptism Class, and much more! Join us that day to thank Deacon Alex for his many years of dedication to his calling, our parish community, and to our Catholic faith. We are in need of volunteers to help decorate, serve food, and clean up. If you can help out that day, please call Fran at the Rectory Office at 650-583-4131. Thank-you!

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SAVE THE DATE! Ministry Sunday - March 6th & 7th
Learn about the different ministries, services and groups at Mater Dolorosa. Sign up to become a part of your parish community through a group that interests you. Serve the Lord, and your Church. Also—take a tour of the Kindergarten classroom and see the improvements made (thanks to our parishioners contributions to the Parish Improvement Fund) after the water damage. Please join us and learn more about your church!