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CHURCH
307 Willow Ave.
South San Francisco
California 94080-1446

♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦
Reverend Brian Costello, Pastor
Very Reverend C. Michael Padazinski, J.C.D., in Residence
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_______________________
□ New Parishioner
□ New Address
□ New Phone Number
□ Moving/Remove Name
Address_________________________________ City___________________ Zip_________
Divine Mercy Sunday
Second Sunday of Easter
Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
His love is everlasting.
Psalm 118

THE THEME OF THE LITURGY:
Our final joy is life transformed for eternity.

First Reading: Acts 5:12-16
The apostles perform many signs and wonders among the people. Many are added to their numbers.

Second Reading: Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-15, 17-19
John, caught up in the spirit, envisions the glorified Lord, the first and the last, the one who lives.

Gospel: John 20:19-31
The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts.

COLLECTIONS
March 28, 2010
First Collection $ 4,741.50
Special Projects $ 1,999.00
EASTER
Good Friday $ 1,862.00
Easter Collection $12,869.00

Our Second Collection this Sunday is for our Parish Improvement Fund.
Our Second Collection next Sunday is for our Helping Hands Fund.
Thank you for your generous support!

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.

DAY OF RECOLLECTION
Contemplates of St. Joseph
APRIL 24th
11:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m.
“CHRIST IS CALLING YOU”
Mass, Reconciliation, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Conferences, Vespers, Special Blessing with St. Joseph Oil and much more.
Catholics are understandably concerned about news reports that seek to implicate Pope Benedict XVI in the sexual abuse scandals in the Church. Archbishop Timothy Dolan of New York, at Mass on Palm Sunday in St. Patrick’s Cathedral, directly addressed these reports. The following are excerpts from his insightful remarks:

“The somberness of Holy Week is intensified for Catholics this year.

The recent tidal wave of headlines about abuse of minors by some few priests, this time in Ireland, Germany, and a re-run of an old story from Wisconsin, has knocked us to our knees once again.

Anytime this horror, vicious sin, and nauseating crime is reported, as it needs to be, victims and their families are wounded again, and the vast majority of faithful priests bow their heads in shame anew, and sincere Catholic experience another dose of shock, sorrow, and even anger.

What deepens the sadness now is the unrelenting insinuations against the Holy Father himself, as certain sources seem frenzied to implicate the man who, perhaps more than anyone else, has been the leader in purification, reform, and renewal that the Church so needs.

Sunday Mass is hardly the place to document the inaccuracy, bias, and hyperbole of such aspersions.

But, Sunday Mass is indeed the time for Catholics to pray for…Benedict our Pope,

And Palm Sunday Mass is sure a fitting place for us to express our love and solidarity for our earthly shepherd now suffering some of the same unjust accusations, shouts of the mob, and scourging at the pillar, as did Jesus.

No one has been more vigorous in cleansing the Church of the effects of this sickening sin than the man we now call Pope Benedict XVI. The dramatic progress that the Catholic Church in the United States has made - documented again just last week by the report made by independent forensic auditors - could never have happened without the insistence and support of the very man now being daily crowned with thorns by groundless innuendo.

Does the Church and her Pastor, Pope Benedict XVI, need intense scrutiny and just criticism for tragic horrors long past?

Yes! He himself has asked for it, encouraging complete honesty, at the same time expressing contrition, and urging a thorough cleansing.

All we ask is that it be fair, and that the Catholic Church not be singled-out for a horror that has cursed every culture, religion, organization, institution, school, agency, and family in the world.”

Please pray for Pope Benedict XVI, for the Catholic Church throughout the world, and for healing for all those who have suffered from sexual abuse.

At the Celebration of the Vigil Mass of the Lord’s Resurrection, April 3 at 8 p.m., we welcomed into our Catholic faith-community Siriporn Cecilia Agatha Catherine Larplueng and Kyle Matthew Damsus Lota. Their journey into the Church started last September 2009 when they joined RCIA to find out what the Catholic Church truly believes. They have reflected on the scriptures, studied the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and prayed for guidance. Of their own free will, they asked to receive the Easter Sacraments. What a joy it was for each of them to experience being cleansed in the water of Baptism; to be anointed with the Chrism Oil and receive the Gift of the Holy Spirit; and then during the Liturgy of the Eucharist, for the first time in their lives, they received the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of their Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Now over the next six weeks they will continue discerning how to use their gifts and talents to build up the Body of Christ. Please continue to pray for them.

YOUTH GROUP SILENT AUCTION

The Mater Dolorosa Youth Group will hold a Silent Auction in the Parish Hall on April 17th at 4:00 p.m. through 7:00 p.m., and on April 18th after all the Masses until 2:00 p.m. All proceeds will go to help fund upcoming Youth Ministry training and workshop events. If you have any goods to offer to this auction, please bring them to the Rectory Office by April 10th. Make sure you take a look and place a bid following all the Masses on that weekend and support the youth at Mater Dolorosa Parish!