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♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦
Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor
Rev. Msgr. C. Michael Padawinski, J.C.D., In Residence
Rev. Fr. Vito Perrone, C.O.S.J., Weekend Assistant
Rev. Mr. Alex Aragon, Permanent Deacon
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 ♦
We welcome your child to be baptized at Mater Dolorosa Church. Parents should contact the rectory at least three months prior to the desired date of the 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 Ninth 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
December 12, 2010

First Collection               $  4,352.50
Retired Religious               $  3,152.00

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

Our Second Collection next Sunday is for our Religious Education Programs.

Thank you for your continued support!

Please keep all those who are sick in our parish family in your prayers, especially: Cliff Chase, Sam Lake, Helen Minotti, Dorothy Pruett, Lelia Rubina de Torres, and Barbara Wiggs.

Please pray for the sick and homebound of our community.
May they know the healing touch of Jesus.

THE THEME OF THE LITURGY:
Find holiness in all our human relations.

First Reading: Sirach 3:2-7, 12-14
Those who honor and comfort their parents shall never be forgotten.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21
You are called into one body: Bear with one another; forgive one another; let Christ’s peace control you.

Gospel: Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23
Joseph rose, took the child and his mother, and fled to Egypt.

Helping Hands
Our Helping Hands Fund at Mater Dolorosa serves many purposes. During the Christmas season, we try to assist those families who find that they need a little help making ends meet. If you know of anyone who is in need of a grocery card, or help with a heating bill, please contact the Rectory Office. Last year we provided Safeway gift cards to two families and distributed them to the homeless. Your suggestions are most welcome.

Prayer
If you would like to help, RCIA has a candidate preparing for their Sacraments who needs a sponsor. Please contact Diana Powell at 650-922-3941 or Diana@mdssf.org for more information.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in His ways.
Psalm 128
As a part of our 50th Anniversary we are going to create a pictorial directory of our church family. This directory will be free to our parishioners who participate, and will help us connect names with faces. We would like everyone to be included! Once you have your picture taken by a professional, you will select a pose for the directory and you will receive a complimentary 8 X 10 photograph. You will also have the opportunity to order extra photos of yourself and your family. You may dress formally or casually. In January, there will be a sign-up sheet in the vestibule for you and your family to choose an appointment time that is convenient to you. Please sign up as soon as possible to get the best appointment time to fit your schedule. All photography will be done here in our parish hall. Let’s all make the most of this opportunity to have our portraits taken at a convenient location and be a part of the Mater Dolorosa Pictorial Directory for 2001!

Excerpt from a letter to our parish from the Archdiocesan Mission Director:

Dear Father De la Rosa,

Thank you very much for the generous World Mission Sunday 2010 contribution of $2,287.00 from the people of Mater Dolorosa Church.

Through your World Mission Sunday offering, your parish family has reached out to support the Missions. In fact, your sacrifices will be joined to those from around the country to provide help for the life-giving, hope-filled service of the Church in more than 1,150 dioceses throughout the developing world.

Again, I am most grateful to you for encouraging the missionary spirit of prayer and sacrifice among your parishioners. Know that you and they remain in my prayers and in the prayers of the people of the Missions.

Sincerely,

Genevieve Elizordo
Archdiocesan Mission Director

MATER DOLOROSA’S UPCOMING WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

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<td>Monday, December 27th</td>
<td>RCIA</td>
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<td>Second Harvest Brown Bag Distribution</td>
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<td>Friday, December 31st</td>
<td>Pot Luck Gathering</td>
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<td>Saturday, January 1st</td>
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CHILD FAITH FORMATION/RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

There are no classes on Dec. 28th. Classes will resume on January 4, 2011. For grades 4 and above please take the on-line safety training at www.shieldthevulnerable.org and submit the certificate of completion to the CFF office after the Christmas break. Attention Confirmation 2 families: The 1st confirmation 2 prep. session with parents and students will be held on January 8th at 3:00 p.m. with the presentation of the confirmandis to the parish at the 5:00 p.m. Mass. There will be Children’s Liturgy of the Word on January 2nd and January 16th at the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

What is it like for Mary, Joseph, and Jesus to be refugees?
Who and what makes your home a holy place?