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♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦
Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor
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Rev. Fr. Vito Perrone, C.O.S.J., Weekend Assistant
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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 12. 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
Our Second Collection this Sunday is for our **Special Projects Fund**.

Our Second Collection next Sunday is for our **Helping Hands Fund**.

*Thank you for your generosity and your continued support!*

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**MARK’S JESUS**

Mark’s Gospel is the shortest and tersest of all four. The discourses of Jesus tend to be terser as well. Mark’s portrayal of Jesus has none of the poetry of the Sermon on the Mount or the Sermon on the Plain as in Matthew or Luke, nor the extensive, reflective “I Am” discourses as in John. Mark’s Jesus “cuts to the chase,” we would say today. This is reflected quite well in today’s passage. It is no accident that the dialogue of Jesus at this point in the Gospel according to Mark—the concluding words about the end of the world—immediately before his passion, is riddled with exclamation points and an overall sense of urgency. We would do well to retool our own way of living this Advent, for we live in a world urgently in need of hearing the message of Jesus proclaimed. It’s time for us to “wake up!” and get out into the world to do it.

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**MATER DOLOROSA’S UPCOMING WEEK AT-A-GLANCE**

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<td>Nov. 27</td>
<td>Children’s Liturgy of the Word Youth Group Mtg. Legion of Mary Choir Rehearsal</td>
<td>10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 3:00—6:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Nov. 29</td>
<td>Second Harvest Brown Bag Kids Now Program CFF Classes</td>
<td>9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 3:45 &amp; 6:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Nov. 30</td>
<td>Legion of Mary Children’s Scripture Study Ballroom Dancing</td>
<td>8:30 a.m. 3:45 to 5:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Dec. 1</td>
<td>Ladies Club Christmas Dinner Baptism Class RCIA</td>
<td>6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Dec. 2</td>
<td>Contemplatives Choir Practice Bingo Luncheon Set-Up Healing Mass</td>
<td>3:00 p.m. 4:00—6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Dec. 3</td>
<td>Altar Server Training Christmas Bingo Luncheon Choir Rehearsal</td>
<td>9:30—12:00 p.m. 11:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.</td>
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**DAY** | **TIME** | **MASS INTENTIONS** | **PRIEST**
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SUN | 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. | People of the Parish Marciano Carnero (D) Patricia Levi (D) | AQ RD RD
MON | 8:00 a.m. | Miguel Barrientos, Jr. (D) | RD
TUE | 8:00 a.m. | Clarissa Avendano (L) | AQ
WED | 8:00 a.m. | Alice Gruner (D) | AQ
THU | 10:00 a.m. | Jillian Costello (D) | AQ
FRI | 8:00 a.m. | Juanito Hizon (D) | RD
SAT | 8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. | Catherine Avendano (L) Pablo & Juana Rodriguez (D) | RD AQ

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**FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**FRIDAY, DEC. 2ND**

**FOLLOWING THE 8:00 A.M. MASS BENEDICTION AT 10:30 A.M.**

Please plan to spend some time in the presence of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

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**FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2011**

9:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

If you were unable to make the last Altar Server’s Training meeting, please attend the upcoming training session. This will be the last training session that will be offered. Please contact Deacon Alex at DeaconAlex@comcast.net if you plan to attend, or call the Rectory Office.

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Please keep all those who are sick in our parish family in your prayers, especially: Trude Buntyer, Cliff Chase, Ennes Gatt, Jack Jacini, Walter Marston, Eileen McHugh, Helen Minotti, Leona Pizziconi, Andrew Seul, Luis Torres, Pearl Valencia, and Mildred Wreden.

*May they and their families know the healing touch of our Divine Healer, our Lord, Jesus Christ.*
CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER & HEALING MASS
Enter into the silence and peace of prayer and contemplation with Father Vito Perrone of the Contemplatives of St. Joseph on Friday, December 2nd at 7:00 p.m. for Holy Hour and a Healing Mass. Please join us for this time of healing and prayer and to listen to the Word of God being spoken in the depths of your heart.

Annual Christmas Volunteer Dinner
Our annual Volunteer Christmas Dinner will be held in our Parish Hall on Monday, December 12th at 6:00 p.m. If you have acted as a volunteer or served your parish in any way this past year, please join us! We are asking all our guests to RSVP to the Rectory Office by Wednesday, December 7th, by calling Fran at 650-583-4131.

MATER DOLOROSA’S MUSIC MINISTRY PRESENTS . . . . “In Dulci Jubilo”
The Mater Dolorosa Music Ministry will present “In Dulci Jubilo” (Sweet Sounds of Rejoicing), a choral concert to cap our parish anniversary celebration and usher in the Christmas season on December 9th and 10th at 7:30 p.m. Join us in relishing the beautiful sounds of musical theater favorites as well as beloved carols about the Holy Babe, our biggest and best reason for jubilation! Tickets are available following the 10:00 and 12:00 Masses and are now available in the Rectory Office. The price is $15.00 per person in advance, $20.00 per person at the door.

GIVING TREE
Our Christmas Giving Tree is up in the vestibule of the church through December 24th. We would like you to purchase Target gift cards, rather than gifts, for the needy families in our parish community. Please pick up an “ornament” tag that indicates purchasing a $10.00 Target gift card. You may bring them to the rectory or drop them off in the Sunday collection basket. The members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul thank you for your generosity and support!

CHILD FAITH FORMATION
Parents of Grade 1 to Grade 3 students must attend the orientation on “Talking About Touching in the Classroom” on Tuesday, Nov. 29th at 4:00 p.m. or 6:15 p.m. This is a requirement from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and is for the protection of the children. Classes resume on Tues., Nov. 29th and Children’s Scripture Study on Wed., Nov. 30th. There will be Children’s Liturgy of the Word on all Sundays of Advent at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Please support our Confirmation candidates as they lead our parish sock drive during the Advent season. The sock drive is for the South San Francisco St. Vincent de Paul’s Homeless Help Center. Barrels will be in the vestibule beginning on Nov. 27th. Please be generous.

Christmas Bingo Luncheon
Feliz Navidad
December 3rd at 11:30 a.m.
Join us for the annual Christmas Bingo Luncheon for a Mexican Lunch with Bingo. Please bring a new, wrapped “Good Neighbor Gift” valued at no less than $5.00. Tickets are $20.00 per person for a beverage, lunch, dessert and one Bingo card. Please call Sandy Chan at 650-872-3816 or Terry Keller at 650-583-3385 to make your reservation. Make your reservations early—this event is always a sell-out! Sorry, no tickets will be sold at the door.

FORWARD in FAITH
The Archdiocese of San Francisco has designed a program, Forward in Faith, as an educational program designed to reach adult Catholics with a wide-ranging, high quality exploration of our Catholic faith that will touch all levels of the human person—mind, heart and spirit. The first semester of this program will begin during the week of January 17, 2012 and will be held on Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. The first ten weeks will focus on Christ in Scripture and the identity of the Church. The second semester will run from September until December and will focus on the sacramental life of the Church and the Christian moral life. In designing this course, the task force was able to forge a partnership with Boston College, which has access to many of the finest theologians and catechists in the country. Boston College has made available to us their online library of presentations, from which they have constructed the curriculum. Each weekly session will consist of a forty minute presentation downloaded from Boston College, followed by facilitated small group discussions revolving around the theme of the night. This course is offered at multiple parishes throughout the Archdiocese, and because Mater Dolorosa is one of those locations, it is free to our parishioners. Please fill out a registration form, which are available in the vestibule, and mail it to the Archdiocese of San Francisco at the address provided. Remember, this is offered free to Mater Dolorosa parishioners, so do not send any money. Everyone is encouraged and welcome to take full advantage of this program, to deepen your knowledge of your faith.