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♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦
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Rev. Fr. Vito Perrone, C.O.S.J., Weekend Assistant
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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
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.
Healing Mass at 7:00 p.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
THIRD SUNDAY of LENT
March 11, 2012

Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 95;
1 Corinthians 1:22-23; John 2:13-25

TOTAL ALLEGIANCE

In previous weeks we have seen how the theme of covenant—as a preparation for the baptismal covenant celebrated at Easter—occupies an important place in our cycle of Lenten readings. The notion of covenant as a relationship between two parties carries with it an expectation of mutual accountability and fidelity to the terms of the covenant. When God forged the covenant with the Jewish people on Mt. Sinai, it was a pledge of God’s protection, and it would forever permit them familiar access as the Chosen People. For their part, the Jewish people were to observe the dictates of the law, summarized most succinctly here in the form of the Ten Commandments. To be in a covenantal relationship with the Lord God requires an exclusive relationship, just as discipleship with Jesus—ritualized in baptism—demands a total allegiance to him and none other.

Please keep all those who are sick in our parish family in your prayers, especially: Trude Buntger, Cliff Chase, Lucy Delahoussaye, Tillie Ferris, Donato Gomez, Luz Gopez, Joan Lopiccolo, Eugenio Macadangdang, Amy Marston, Walter Marston, Eileen McHugh, Helen Minotti, Dereck Padilla, Leona Pizziconi, Mary Savage, Andrew Seul, Luis Torres, and Pearl Valencia.

May they and their families know the healing touch of the Divine Healer, our Lord, Jesus Christ.

DAY        TIME      MASS INTENTIONS  PRIEST

SUN        8:00 a.m.  Alfredo M. Carmen (D)  AQ
          10:00 a.m.  John Lagomarsino (D)  RD
          12:00 p.m.  People of the Parish  AQ

MON        8:00 a.m.  Priest’s Intention  AQ

TUE        8:00 a.m.  Priest’s Intention  RD

WED        8:00 a.m.  Priest’s Intention  AQ

THU        8:00 a.m.  Priest’s Intention  AQ

FRI        8:00 a.m.  Carolyn Stanley (D)  RD
          10:00 a.m.  Mariano Tumbali (D)  AQ
          12:00—1:00 p.m.  People of the Parish  AQ
          1:00—2:30 p.m.  People of the Parish  AQ
          5:00 p.m.  People of the Parish  AQ

MAR. 11—MAR. 17

MATER DOLOROSA’S UPCOMING WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

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COLLECTIONS

Collection for March 4, 2012

First Collection $ 4,611.00
Religious Education $ 1,634.50

Our Second Collection this Sunday is for our Parish Improvement Fund.
Our Second Collection next Sunday is for Catholic Relief Services.

Thank you for your generosity and your continued support!

For those who receive contribution envelopes, please note that our envelope service printed two Second Collection envelopes for Sunday, March 18th. One is for Catholic Relief Services and one is for our Special Projects Fund. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Thank you.

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CHILD FAITH FORMATION

Important update on the CFF calendar! There will be regular classes this Tuesday, March 13, the Catechist’s Meeting has been rescheduled to April 10th. Please be reminded that the Children’s Liturgy of the Word on all the Sundays during Lent at 10:00 a.m. is for children from Pre-K to grade 4 only. Older children must stay with the adults unless they are volunteers that help during the CLW. The Confirmation 2 class is hosting an event for teenagers of our parish community after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on March 31st to help them have a meaningful Holy Week. Please support our confirmation students to live out their discipleship by promoting the event.

Questions of the Week:

Lower Level (4-6):
How can you say I love you to God this week?

Higher Level (7 & above):
What does God ask of you this Lenten season?

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Mater Dolorosa parish will participate in a peaceful, prayerful vigil on Saturday, March 31, 2012 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Parishioners are invited to sacrifice an hour of prayer in front of Planned Parenthood located at 35 Baywood Ave. in San Mateo. We have already started receiving sign-ups after Mass and will continue for the next week or so, until all the hours are covered. Please call James or Eleanora at 650-992-6718 to sign up.

LET’S STAND for LIFE

We pray for the soul of Juliana Pena, granddaughter to Ms. Toni Anne Martinez, who passed away recently. Juliana was only two years old when she lost her battle with cancer. Please keep her and her family in your prayers.

Little Sisters of the Poor

On March 24th & 25th we will be taking up a special collection for the Little Sisters of the Poor. St. Anne’s Home is located on Lake Street in San Francisco where the home cares for the elderly needy in a spirit of humble service passed down from their founder, Saint Jeanne Jugan, over 170 years ago. At St. Anne’s, residents find family spirit, love, respect, and compassion as well as a means to assure physical, material, emotional, social and spiritual support.

LENT

PRAYER

Prayer is one of the three great disciplines of Lent that facilitate conversion and promote communion with God and neighbor. The Church urges more regular and intensive prayer during Lent as a channel for listening to God’s voice while offering praise, thanksgiving, petition, and contrition. When it comes to prayer, Christ suggests that the squeaky wheel gets the grace: “Ask and you shall receive.” The Ash Wednesday gospel insists that prayer be an authentic dialogue rather than a mere show: “Whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you” (Matthew 6:6). Still, communal and liturgical prayer are equally rich and effective vehicles of divine grace. When we partake of the Eucharist, after all, we “communicate” with the Lord and become one body in Christ.

FAST and ABSTINENCE

The observance of FAST is to take only a single full meal during the course of the day. To maintain strength, one or two smaller meals may also be taken, if together they do not equal another full meal. This is binding for all between the ages of 18-59 during Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. The observance of ABSTINENCE is to refrain from eating any meat. This is binding for all ages of 14 and older during Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all Fridays in Lent.

ALMSMGIVING

This Lent, our Confirmation candidates and the Youth Group are collecting new toiletries and new personal care items such as socks, disposable razors, travel size tubes of toothpaste, cough drops, ponchos, warm gloves and hats. These items will provide much needed support for our brothers and sisters at The Gubbio Project, a homeless day shelter in The Tenderloin of San Francisco. Collection barrels can be found in the vestibule of the church, the CFF school lobby and the parish hall. Thank you for supporting our Confirmation candidates and the Youth Group in their effort this Lent, to live out their discipleship.

SOUP SUPPERS

Mater Dolorosa’s various ministries will host Soup Suppers every Friday evening during Lent at 6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross will be every Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. Please plan to participate in this meaningful event as a part of your Lenten observance.

DEANERY PENANCE SERVICE

MARCH 15, 2012, St. Dunstan Church, San Bruno, 7:00 p.m.

“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

Mt. 3:2