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♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦
Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor
Rev. Fr. Angel Quitalig, J.C.L., 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
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
Our Second Collection next Sunday is for the Little Sisters of the Poor.

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 this 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.

Please keep all those who are sick in your parish family in your prayers, especially: Trude Buntger, Cliff Chase, Lucy Delahoussaye, 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.

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CHILD FAITH FORMATION

Please be reminded that the Children’s Liturgy of the Word is on all the Sundays during Lent. The Confirmation 2 class is hosting “Dinner with God” for high school students of our parish community after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on March 31st. It will be an evening of reflection, music, and food to prepare their hearts for Easter. Please support our confirmation students to live out their discipleship by promoting this event to other high school students.

Questions of the Week:
From which book of the Bible is today’s second reading? What color is Father wearing?

Lower Level (4-6):
Higher Level (7 & above):
Why do we have 40 days (approximately) in Lent?

THANK YOU ST. PATRICK’S DINNER
Thank you to all who made the St. Patrick’s Dinner an entertaining and enjoyable evening. The Irish Dancers were great, we loved the raffle, and the food was delicious. Thanks for all the hard work that went into this event to make it such fun!

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. Sign up sheets will be available 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

CATHOLICS PROTEST
RECENT HEALTH and HUMAN SERVICES MANDATE
On Friday, March 23rd, rallies will be held in 80+ cities across America protesting the recent Health and Human Services Mandate which violates religious freedom. Catholics of the Archdiocese of San Francisco are invited to join bishop Salvatore Cordileone of Oakland, George Wesolek, Director of the Archdiocesan Office of Public Policy, and leaders from other religions at the Stand Up For Religious Freedom rally at 12 noon on Friday, March 23rd at the Federal Building, 90 7th St., in San Francisco. Please call 925-550-3122 or visit www.StandUpForReligiousFreedom.com for more information.

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.

ALMSGIVING
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.

RECONCILIATION
Every Saturday from 4:15 to 4:45 p.m. at Mater Dolorosa

“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”
Mt. 3:2