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♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦
Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor
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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

December 9, 2012
The world does not seem big enough to contain the jubilation of the first reading. In the Gospel reading, the Roman Empire isn’t big enough, either. The great powers of Rome are named and made to stand waiting for the arrival of God’s salvation. And we find Paul meditating joyfully on what really matters.

According to Baruch, the city of Jerusalem is like a person standing on tiptoe looking for God’s salvation, which is coming from the east. Those who were led away on foot, heads down, now come back, a proud people. Why, the very way is smoothed out. The path is lined with fragrant, lush trees. It can’t get any better than this, can it? Well, yes, it can. For a voice calls out in the desert. Here is the beginning of the salvation of God.

Please keep all those who are sick in your prayers, especially:
Trude Bunger, Lucy Delahoussaye, Rosie Fanese, Donato Gomez, Luz Gopez, Lois Heim, Eugenio Macadangdang, Amy Marston, Walter Marston, Eileen McHugh, Helen Minotti, John P. Paat, Sr., Dorothy Pruett, Andrew Seul, and Luis Torres.

Please pray that they find comfort and healing in Christ.
CHILD FAITH FORMATION

Thank you very much for supporting the Confirmation 2 students with their Advent Wreath sale project. They are also very appreciative and grateful to those who made donations. A reminder to all children and families of the Faith Formation Program: together with the parish community, we will have an Advent celebration after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Dec. 15th. Come and hear our students sing, watch other students dance, and take pictures with Santa Claus. All children are welcome to sign up to participate in the Annual Christmas Pageant on Dec. 15th and/or Dec. 24th. Please remember the Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass on Dec. 11th at 7:00 p.m. There are NO CFF classes on that day. All are encouraged to attend this Mass instead.

Questions of the Week:

Lower Level (4-6)
What are some ways you can prepare this Advent to get ready for Christmas?

Higher Level (7 and above)
What does John proclaim in whole region of the Jordan? How is forgiving a way to turn toward God?

CHRISTMAS AT MATER DOLOROSA

Deanery Advent Penance Service
Monday, December 10th, 7:00 p.m.
Mater Dolorosa Church

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass
December 11th, 7:00 p.m.

Traditional Las Posadas
December 13th, 6:00 p.m.

Simbang Gabi Masses
December 15th through December 23rd at 7:00 p.m.
Except December 15th, and December 22nd Mass is at 5:00 p.m.
December 15th - Children’s Advent Celebration
December 23rd - Pot Luck Dinner

Christmas Masses
Christmas Eve, December 24th
5:00 p.m. - Annual Children’s Pageant
9:15 p.m. Christmas Caroling (Hallelujah Chorale)
10:00 p.m. (Midnight Mass)
Christmas Day, December 25th
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12 Noon

New Year’s Eve, December 31st
10:00 p.m. (Midnight Mass)

New Year’s Day, January 1st
Holy Day of Obligation
Mary, Mother of God
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.