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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
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 Ciocio, 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.

♦ MARRIAGE ♦
Please contact the Rectory Office at least 6 months prior to your wedding date too allow time for Marriage Preparation.

♦ 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_______________________

□ New Parishioner           □ New Address
□ New Phone Number

Address_________________________________ City___________________ Zip_________

□ Moving/Remove Name
COLLECTION TOTALS

Collection for 24, 2012

First Collection $ 5,056.00
Special Projects $ 1,991.00

Our Second Collection this Sunday is for our Religious Education Programs.
Our Second Collection next Sunday is for Catholic Relief Services.

Thank you for your donations towards the continued support of your church!
Your weekly donations are greatly appreciated.

Please keep all those who are sick in our parish family in your prayers, especially:

Please pray that they find comfort and healing in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

MATER DOLOROSA’S UPCOMING WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 3, 2013

Exodus 3:1-8, 17-18; Psalm 95;
1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12; Luke 13:1-9

MERCY

God is mercy. That seems to be the main message of the reading from Exodus. God has seen the suffering of the Israelites and promises mercy and rescue. From then on, God is to be known as the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

Paul calls his readers to continue to grow in the faith. The God who rescued Israel also rescues them. As beneficiaries of God’s mercy, Christians must keep on working, doing their part to become ever more trusting and loving people of God.

The Gospel’s second section is a homely story about God’s mercy. Against the advice of the land owner, the vinedresser pleads for mercy—and shows mercy—to allow the poor fig tree yet another year to become productive.
RETIREMENT OF POPE BENEDICT XVI

As we have all heard, Pope Benedict XVI has retired from his office last February 28, 2013 due to his declining health condition. Let us continue to include him in our prayers, in thanksgiving to God for his ministry to us and for his strength and good health.

Oh God, true shepherd of all the faithful, look with kindness on your servant Pope Benedict XVI, whom you set as head and shepherd of Your Church. We give you thanks for your grace at work in him as he has led us by word and example: In his teaching, in his prayer and in his great love. Grant him your strength in frailty, comfort in sorrow, and serenity amid the trials of this world; and guide your Church, built on the rock of Peter, with the power of your Spirit as we continue on the path that leads us to you. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

CELEBRATE ST. PATRICK’S DAY

Direct from Ireland, "The Irish Variety Show" will perform at Mater Dolorosa on Sunday, March 10. This professional troupe, with music, dance, and comedy has traveled to perform in parishes on the East Coast for 25 years and will be making its West Coast debut this spring! Tickets are $25 each and are available after Masses and by calling the Rectory Office at (650) 583-4131. Doors open at 6pm, and the show begins at 7pm. Refreshments will be available. For more information, contact Cathy Dunleavy Rosaia at (650) 588-4001 or cmrosaia@yahoo.com. Check out the website at www.irishvarietyshow.biz.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Your spare change can make a big "change" helping Children in Lesotho.

What is a CRS Rice Bowl? It’s a cardboard box where you can collect your spare change throughout Lent. CRS works on our behalf to care for the poorest in our world and to end global poverty. This week, we focus our prayers, fasting and almsgiving on Lesotho, where many children lack access to quality education. Only 73% of primary school-age children in Lesotho are enrolled in school. Give to your Rice Bowl this week to support communities working with CRS to provide educational opportunities for children. Our CFF students are leading our parish in participating in the CRS Rice Bowl. Through this Lenten faith formation program, we will pray together, make sacrifices by giving something up, or fast in solidarity with those who are hungry. It is a way to encounter Jesus through others, especially through the most vulnerable in our world. The rice bowls will be collected after Easter.

MINISTRY FAIR at MATER DOLOROSA

Our Ministry Fair was a great success and we are happy to say that many parishioners showed an interest in our various ministries. Our thanks goes to the many volunteers from all the different groups who volunteered their time to enliven our parish through their good work. The lucky winners of our drawing were:

- 2 Gift Cards from Safeway - Linda Bagain
- 1 Gift Card from Safeway - Jovet Cuneta
- 1 Gift Card from Safeway - Anna Jalandoni
- 1 Gift Card from Safeway - Vella Rances
- 1 Gift Card from Safeway - John Harrison
- $10 Gift Card from McDonalds - Santiago Moreno
- $10 Gift Card from McDonalds - Francheska Bautista
- $10 Gift Card from McDonalds - Elmira Castro

Our Respect Life booth raffled a statue of Our Blessed Mother with Jesus, and raised $150.00 in donations to donate to Alpha Pregnancy Center in San Francisco. Our Thanks to All!

CHILD FAITH FORMATION

On Friday, March 15th, our confirmation II students will lead our parish community to meditate on the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. Please support them by attending their presentation. The CFF families of Level 4 to 7 will be hosting the soup supper at 6:00 p.m.

There will be lessons on safety rules for Level 1-3 with extended 1/2 hour on March 12. Parents of Level 1 -3. Students in Level 4 up to confirmation must complete the on-line training at www.shieldthevulnerable.org to ensure that our program is in compliance with USCCB.

Questions of the Week:

Lower Level (4-6)

- What great work would you like to do as you grow older?
- What can you do to begin now?
- Higher Level (7 and above)

- What important activity could bear fruit in your life right now if you had more confidence in God’s loving care?