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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.

♦ MARRIAGE ♦
Please contact the Rectory Office at least 6 months prior to your wedding date to 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____________________
Address______________________ City________________ Zip__________

□ New Parishioner
□ New Address
□ New Phone Number
□ Moving/Remove Name

March 10, 2013
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 10, 2013

Joshua 5:9, 10-12; Psalm 34;

PASSAGES

The point of today’s first reading is fulfillment. The forty-year trek of the Israelites is over; they now camp in the Promised Land and celebrate the Passover. The manna that has sustained them in the desert ends; from now on they will eat of the produce of the land. Our Eucharist—the manna of our journey—will end when we enter heaven.

Paul, in the second reading, speaks of change. The old order has passed away: all is new. Reconciliation has been secured in Christ. The message has to be proclaimed everywhere by the ambassadors for Christ.

The beautiful parable of the prodigal son is given to us by Christ in answer to the criticism of the Pharisees. “This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.” Jesus tells the story not to illustrate some vague human ideal of being broadminded or tolerant. He wants us to identify the father with God—a God who reaches out across rules, regulations, and even common sense to embrace and to forgive.

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LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

There will be a Deanery Lenten Penance Service on Tuesday, March 19th at St. Robert Church, 1380 Crystal Springs Rd., San Bruno, at 7:00 p.m.

All are welcome.

MATER DOLOROSA’S UPCOMING WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

TUES., Mar. 12  Second Harvest Food Bank
                  Kids Now Program
                  CFF Classes
                  9:00 a.m.
                  10:00 a.m.
                  3:45—5:00 p.m.
                  6:00—7:15 p.m.
                  7:00—8:15 p.m.

WED., Mar. 13  Legion of Mary
                  Ballroom Dancing
                  8:30 a.m.
                  8:00 p.m.

FRI., Mar. 15  COSJ Practice
                  Soup Supper
                  Choir Practice
                  Stations of the Cross
                  2:30 p.m.
                  6:00 p.m.
                  6:30 p.m.
                  7:00 p.m.

SAT., Mar. 16  40 Days for Life San Mateo
                  Youth Mass
                  7:00 a.m.—7:00 p.m.
                  5:00 p.m.

Sun., Mar. 17  Hospitality Sponsored by the
                  Legion of Mary
                  San Mateo Legion of Mary
                  Knights of Columbus Mtg.
                  11:00 a.m.
                  3:00—6:00 p.m.
                  4:00 p.m.

COLLECTION TOTALS

Collection for March 3, 2013

First Collection  $ 5,345.00
Religious Education $ 1,961.00

Our Second Collection this Sunday is for Catholic Relief Services.
Our Second Collection next Sunday is for our Special Projects Fund.

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.

DAY       TIME        MASS INTENTIONS: Mar. 11—— Mar. 17
            MON Mar. 11  8:00 a.m.  Donato Gomez (D)  AQ
            TUE Mar. 12  8:00 a.m.  Rodolfo A. Carpio (D)  RD
            WED Mar. 13  8:00 a.m.  Pearl Valencia (D)  AQ
            THU Mar. 14  8:00 a.m.  Father Hugh O’Donnell (D)  AQ
            FRI Mar. 15  8:00 a.m.  Porfirio Buhain (D)  RD
            SAT Mar. 16  8:00 a.m.  Helen Minotti (L)  Fred J. Carini (D)  Loreto & Josefinca Senoran (D)  RD  VP
            SUN Mar. 17  8:00 a.m.  Pearl Valencia (D)  Arlene A. Canlas (D)  People of the Parish  RD  AQ  RD
HOLY WEEK EASTER SCHEDULE

March 19, Deanery Lenten Penance Service
St. Robert Church, 7:00 p.m.

March 24, Palm Sunday:
Vigil Mass: Saturday, March 23rd at 5:00 p.m.
Sunday Masses at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., & 12 Noon
Palms will be blessed at all the Masses

March 25, Holy Monday:
Seder Meal at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall

March 28, Holy Thursday:
Mass of the Lord’s Supper at 7:30 p.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Parish Hall
until 11:00 p.m.

March 29, Good Friday:
Reflections on the Seven Last Words of Jesus
by Father Jose Arong, OMI from 12:00 Noon to 1:00 p.m.
Stations of the Cross at 1:00 p.m.
Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion at 2:00 p.m.
Soup Supper at 6:00 p.m.
Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.
Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion with
Father Vito Perrone at 7:45 p.m.

March 30, Holy Saturday:
Easter Vigil Mass at 8:00 p.m.

March 31, Easter Sunday:
Masses at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.
and 12:00 Noon

April 7, Second Sunday of
Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday:
Mass at 8:00 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.
& 12:00 Noon
Light refreshments and movie on
Divine Mercy 10:00 to 2:00 p.m.
Confessions and Rosary 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.
Chapel of Divine Mercy 3:00 p.m. followed by
Special Divine Mercy Mass at 3:15 p.m.

CRS RICE BOWL
CRS Rice Bowl invites us to learn about the Dominican Republic this week, where CRS helps women form savings and lending communities that help them save money and access small loans for new businesses. Pray for these women who have courage to start their own businesses, and make a contribution to your Rice Bowl to support people working to provide a better livelihood for their families. Thank you.

Confirmation 2 Presents
Shadows/ Stations of the Cross
at Mater Dolorosa Church

Join us this Friday, March 15, as we journey with Christ and reflect on the Stations of the Cross. 6:00 p.m. – Soup Supper in Parish Hall
Hosted by CFF Level 4-7 Classes
7:00 p.m. – Stations of the Cross

Archbishop’s Annual Appeal 2013

This year, our assessment for the Archbishop’s Annual Appeal is $49,700. You may make a pledge amount and make monthly payments which end on December 31, 2013; you may make your contribution and one-time gift; you may charge your gift to your credit card (information is destroyed following your pledge); or you can pledge online by following the links at: www.sfarchdiocese.org. The website is completely safe and secure and the information you provide is never shared. If you did not receive a pledge card in the mail, you may pick one up in the pews or in the vestibule of our church. Please make all checks payable to the Archbishop’s Annual Appeal. Your generous gift will assist the Archbishop to provide ministries, programs and services that benefit parishes and people within and outside of the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Any amount we receive over the assessment amount is returned to our parish for our own improvements and services. You may consider joining the One Percent Club, by donating $497.00 or more, however, please remember that any amount is welcome. Thank you for your support of this year’s appeal!

CHILD FAITH FORMATION

Thank you very much to the CFF families of Level 1-3 and Confirmation I classes for hosting the Soup Supper on March 1st. There were more than 100 people who attended the Stations of the Cross in Shadows led by Confirmation II students. On Friday, March 15th, the next group of 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.
The second session on safety rules and “Talking about Touching” for Level 1-3 will be this coming Tuesday, March 12th during the student’s class time. The orientation video for parents will be available for viewing in the parish hall at the same time. 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.

Question of the Week:
Lower Level (4-6)

What does the forgiving father show us about what God is like?

Higher Level (7 and above)

What is valuable about how the father in Sunday’s Gospel cares for each son?

RESPECT LIFE 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Mater Dolorosa is sponsoring one day on Saturday, March 16, 2013 of a peaceful prayer vigil in front of Planned Parenthood at 35 Baywood Ave., San Mateo. We ask for parishioners to sign-up for ONE HOUR between 7a.m. to 11p.m. after Mass during this Lenten season. What a beautiful way to show our commitment to Jesus and His church to put an end to abortion. James and Eleanor will be there with the sign-up sheets after Masses for the next two weeks. For any questions, call James or Eleanor at (650) 992-6718.