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♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦
Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor
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Rev. Mr. Alex Aragon, Permanent Deacon
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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:
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

July 28, 2013
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

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Genesis 18:20-32; Psalm 138;

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The boldness of Abraham, Moses, and Jesus in addressing God is an expression of a deep, intimate relationship. We tend to argue most heatedly with and speak most tenderly to those whom we love the most. This very human trait is what generates the wide variety of emotions expressed toward God throughout the psalms. Hopefully our own relationship with God is intimate enough that we don’t only come asking for favors or with heads bowed meekly, but also ready to question and argue, to praise joyfully, and to embrace our relationship with God lovingly.

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

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CHILD FAITH FORMATION

There will be Children's Liturgy of the Word on Aug. 4th at 10:00 a.m. Mass. All children are welcome to participate.

The CFF office reopens on Aug. 1 with office hours Monday-Friday 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Sundays 9:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. If you need to speak with Mrs. Smit or Mrs. Cepeda after office hours, please call the office to make an appointment.

Registration for the 2013-2014 school year of Faith Formation classes or religious education is now being accepted. Catechists will be available to answer any questions about the program next Sunday, Aug. 4th after all Masses. The classes will start on September 17th.

We MUST receive a copy of the child's BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE and the registration form BEFORE your child is accepted into our program. If your child is older than 7 years old and haven't been baptized, we have a one year preparation program for this age group. The baptism will be held on Easter Vigil. Families interested in our program should call the CFF office at 650-588-8175 or the Rectory Office at 650-583-4131 for the registration materials. You may also get more information from the Rectory Office or the website - http://www.mdssf.org/ccd/ccd.htm#top.

Question of the Week:
How can you appreciate and share daily bread and all the gifts you receive from the Father each day?

SILENT AUCTION

The Youth Group sponsored Silent Auction raised over $1,060.00 during the Silent Auction last weekend. This fundraiser will benefit the following: Mater Dolorosa Youth Leadership, Confirmation students' faith development, and Catholic Faith Formation (CFF) catechists' training. Thank you to all of you who supported the event through your generous donations and purchases! We wish to thank in particular, the Rodriguez family and friends, for their hard work to make this parish fund raiser a success.

Journey to The Holy Land

Come and explore The Holy Land on October 14 - 27, 2013 (Egypt, Israel, Jordan) Depart SFO starting at $3999 ~ A $300.00 per person deposit is required to secure reservations. Full payment is due by July 31st. Visas to Jordan and Egypt for U.S. citizens are included. Flyers are available in the vestibule. Contact: Rick Carlos at 650-766-3547 or Estela Nolasco 650-867-1422.

PROPOSED NEW CONFESSIONAL AND CHURCH LOBBY ALCOVE

You are invited to look at the proposed design for the new location of our confessional and the enlargement of our church lobby alcove. The drawing at right illustrates the new confessional by the St. Anthony statue. The drawing at the bottom illustrates the new lobby plans. Larger drawings are available in the Rectory Office for anyone who would like to take a look!

PEACEFUL, PRAYERFUL PROTEST

The pro-life ministry members of our parish invite any parishioners who wish to join them in support of a peaceful, prayerful protest in front of the proposed site of Planned Parenthood in South San Francisco. Please gather at 435 Grand Ave. every Saturday morning from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m., ending on August 25th. If you are unable to be there, please keep their efforts to support the lives of unborn children in your prayers.