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1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦
Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor
Rev. Msgr. John Pernia, In Residence
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Rev. Fr. Vito Perrone, C.O.S.I., 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:
Benediction: 10:30 a.m. &
Eucharistic Adoration 6:00—7:00 p.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

September 15, 2013
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
Catechetical Sunday

September 15, 2013

Exodus 32:7-11; Psalm 51;
1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-32

LAVISH FORGIVENESS

Moses appeals to God for compassion in today’s first reading. The point of Moses’ pleas is not to provide a blueprint for pacifying an angry God, but to demonstrate that no matter our sin and its grievousness, God will always forgive.

In his Letter to Timothy, Paul uses himself, the great sinner, as an example of just how great is God’s forgiveness. Finally, today’s Gospel parables create a mural of God’s forgiving love. Like a diligent housekeeper, a good shepherd, a loving father, God goes out of the way to recover the lost and to forgive. By pointing out that the woman leaves her ninety-nine silver pieces, that the shepherd leaves his ninety-nine sheep waiting, and the father leaves his elder son upset, Jesus urges us to abandon a stingy view of life. If God can be so generous, so forgiving, and so loving to those deemed unworthy, we must act likewise.

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

Rose Elaine Archer-Thompson,
Trude Buntger, Jacinto Cabillo, Shirley Cotton,
Lucy Delahoussaye, John Dresser,
Rosie Fanese, Luz Gopez, Amy Marston, Walter Marston, Nellie Metzger, Eileen McHugh, John P. Paat, Sr., Dorothy Pruett, Eleanora Rivera, Maria Luisa Sarra, Luis Torres and Tony Yee.

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

COLLECTIONS
For September 8, 2013

First Collection $5,208.00
Parish Improvement $2,333.00

Our Second Collection this Sunday is for Priest’s Retirement. Our Second Collection next Sunday is for Our Special Projects Fund.

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

COLLECTION FOR PRIEST’S RETIREMENT

This weekend’s collection will allow each of us to show our support for the priests who have cared for and ministered to us throughout the years. We need to provide our retired priests with adequate care so they have sufficient resources for supplemental medical insurance beyond Medicare coverage, as well as a portion of extended care costs when the need arises. Thank you for your continued gratitude and prayers for our retired priests, and please show your support this weekend during this important collection. Thank you.

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MATER DOLOROSA’S UPCOMING WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

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<td>Second Harvest Food Bank Kids Now Program CFF Classes</td>
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<td>Legion of Mary Ballroom Dancing</td>
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<td>FRI. 20</td>
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<td>COSJ Practice Choir Practice</td>
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<td>Youth Mass Legion of Mary Family Presidium Social Dance</td>
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<td>SUN. 22</td>
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<td>MD Knights of Columbus Mtg. Hospitality by: The Knights of Columbus Helping Hands Meeting</td>
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CHILD FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation Classes will start this coming Tuesday, Sept. 17th. The classes are at 3:45 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. or 6:00 - 7:15 p.m. for Level 1 to Level 7 and 7:00 - 8:15 p.m. for Confirmation I and II classes. The beginning of the year Mass for our school of Faith Formation is on Oct. 6, at the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

You still have time to register your child for Faith Formation or religious education classes. Why enroll your child in these classes? The seeds of faith planted by parents will be nourished and with hope, will bear fruit as the children begin to learn, piece by piece, the ongoing story of God's love and place among people, including the children. A child's religious education is one of the most important components in building a healthy, lifelong relationship with God and with the community. It contributes to a child becoming a responsible, social-minded, and well rounded individual.

There are catechists available every after Mass this month or in the office every Monday to Friday from 2:30 -6:30 p.m. 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 website http://www.mdssf.org/ccd/ccd.htm#top.

**Question of the Week:**

What can I do to be part of finding and helping those who are lost and in need of help today? Jesus, today I will.....

FLU CLINIC/HEALTH FAIR
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6th
FREE FLU SHOTS
DIABETIC SCREENING
BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING
MATER DOLOROSA PARISH HALL
FOLLOWING ALL SUNDAY MASSES

**CONFESSIONAL DONORS**
We wish to thank the following people for their donations towards the new confessional and lobby alcove for our church:

- Edward & Grace Abad
- Edgardo Alicaway
- Teofilo & Erlinda Bagain
- Zosimo & Sionita Carmen
- Brian & Carmen Ciaparra
- Manual Dacoron
- Beata Dampalin
- Mary Dunleavy
- Diego Frias
- George & Pat Garibaldi
- Emely Grivas
- Geron & Cynthia Grivas
- Gideon Grivas
- Jorge & Gordina Grivas
- Cresencia Guasque
- Linda Herrera
- Joaquin & Margarita Hill
- David & Juaniza Ibanez
- Mrs. Margarita Lee
- S.D. & Gayla Madlambayan
- Michael Martinez
- & Elizabeth Legaspi
- John & Arden Moser
- Joseph & Margaret Murphy
- Venkat & Rachael Naidu
- Isidro & Leonarda Nunez
- Joseph & Sonia Nunez
- John & Kay Richardson
- Santiago & Cristina
- Rimando
- James & Eleanor Rivera
- Emilio & Elizabeth Roque
- Luisito & Lilia Roxas
- Aida Ryan
- Mila Sarte
- Angelica Tablante
- Lilie Villaluna
- Narciso & Julieta Zapanta

To date, we have received $9,050.00 for this project. Your donations are always welcome. Please speak to Fr. Roland or call the Rectory Office for more information. Thank you!

**EUCARISTIC MINISTERS - LEKTORS/READERS**
The Archdiocese is offering a workshop for new and current ministers. They advocate that ministers should be certified every three years.

- LOCATION: Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Belmont
- DATES: October 12 & 19, 2013
- LOCATION: St. Elizabeth Church, San Francisco
- DATES: November 9 & 16, 2013

For more information please call Sister Agnes at 650-244-9764.

**MATER DOLOROSA CHURCH SOCIAL DANCE**
Mater Dolorosa Parish Hall
Saturday, September 21st
7:00 to 10:00 p.m.—Dressy/Casual - $8.00 per person

Come spend an evening learning to dance, listening to great music, and visiting with friends, old and new. Light refreshments will be provided by the Mater Dolorosa Dance Group. There will be beginner dance lessons for Waltz, Cha Cha, and Nightclub Two Step!

**Blessing of the Animals**
Sponsored by the MD Knights of Columbus
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6th - 11:00 a.m.
MATER DOLOROSA
SCHOOL COURTYARD
Bring your critters for a blessing following the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**
Are you someone, or do you know someone, who has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic? Or was baptized Catholic, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist? Mater Dolorosa offers an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about the Catholic faith. Individuals may prepare to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and/or Eucharist – usually during the Easter season. For information please contact: Diana Powell at (650) 583-4131 or Diana@mdssf.org.

**CATECHETICAL SUNDAY**
September 15, 2013
This weekend, parishes across the country will honor those who share in the evangelizing and teaching mission of the Church through a special rite of commissioning and blessing. Here at Mater Dolorosa, our teachers will be commissioned to share the faith of the Church with our children. **We will be sure to pray for them throughout the coming year.**