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♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦
Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor
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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:
8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
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.
*First and Third Sunday of the Month: Children’s Liturgy of the Word.

♦ 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

January 5, 2014
The EPIPHANY of the LORD

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Isaiah 60: 1-6; Psalm 72; Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12

THE LIGHT OF FAITH

The first reading today is charged with the glory of the Lord. Everyone who can come to the holy city does come—whole caravans of people of all ages on foot and on dromedaries and camels.

This description of an irresistible light-filled city prepares us for the story of the magi. They are guided by their own lights—their study of astronomy and astrology—and by the light of a peculiar star. Their study tells them that an unusual event in the heavens is a sign of an extraordinary birth on earth. They mean to find out about this, and they set out with gifts worthy of a king. They are welcomed into an insignificant house in Bethlehem, offer gifts befitting a king, and receive the gift of faith.

Paul reinforces the great gift of faith available to the Gentiles, whom the magi represent. What they have seen has changed them, just as it changed Paul and all who heeded his proclamation. Like the magi and like Paul, we are invited to receive this life that is filled with the light of faith.

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Happy New Year!

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COLLECTIONS

Collections for December 22, 2013

First Collection $ 4,565.00
Helping Hands $ 1,791.00

Collection totals for December 29, 2013, and Simbang Gabi, will be published in our next Sunday Bulletin

Our Second Collection this Sunday is for our Religious Education Programs.
Our Second Collection for next Sunday is for Parish Maintenance & Improvement.

Thank you for your generous 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:

Rose Elaine Archer-Thompson, Trude Buntger, Jacinto Cabillo, Emeliana P. Cariaga Shirley Cotton, Lucy Delahoussaye, John Dresser, Rosie Fanese, Luz Gopez, Amy Marston, Walter Marston, Nellie Metzger, Eileen McHugh, Mary Anne C. Padilla, Manuel P. Paat, Dorothy Pruett, Eleanora Rivera, Wayne Rosaâa, Maria Luisa Sarra, Susan Thomas, Luis Torres and Tony Yee.

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

MATER DOLOROSA’S UPCOMING WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

DAY TIME MASS INTENTIONS: Jan 6—Jan. 12 PRIEST

MON Jan. 6 8:00 a.m. Jorge Nolasco (D) RD
TUE Jan. 7 8:00 a.m. Ashley Quitugua (D) RD
WED Jan. 8 8:00 a.m. Luista Fidelino (D) AQ
THU Jan. 9 8:00 a.m. Angela Villamor (D) AQ
FRI Jan. 10 8:00 a.m. Eldrina Acuna (D) JP
SAT. Jan. 11 8:00 a.m. Tom Mallon (L) JP
5:00 p.m. Norman Nunez (L) VP
SUN Jan. 12 8:00 a.m. Tony Bustos (D) AQ
10:00 a.m. People of the Parish Aquapital Vaencia (D) JP
12:00 p.m. AQ

MATER DOLOROSA’S UPCOMING WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

Tues. Jan. 7 Second Harvest Food Bank Kids Now Program 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Jan. 8 Legion of Mary Baptism Class Ballroom Dancing 8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
 Thurs. Jan. 9 Ladies Club Meeting 6:00 p.m.
Fri., Jan. 10 COSJ Choir Practice Choir Practice 2:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 11 RCIA Social Dance Legion of Mary Family Presidium 3:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Sun. Jan. 12 Hospitality by: The Hospitality Ministry Youth Group Meeting H & R “Seminar” Latin Mass Choir Rehearsal 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.
CHILD FAITH FORMATION  
The Children’s Faith Formation classes will resume on Tuesday, Jan. 7th. Students, please complete the on-line training at www.shieldthevulnerable.org for the applicable grade level and submit the certificate of completion when they return to classes. Parents of Grade 1 to Grade 3 students must attend the ‘Talking about Touching’ Safety Training Orientation on Tuesday, January 21st during the child’s class time in the parish hall.
This weekend, as we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany, the parish community is invited to bring to the Sunday Liturgy, gifts of undergarments, toiletries, socks, gently used jackets and other warm wear for men and women. Please place them in the barrel in the vestibule. Like the Wise Ones who visited the Lord, we offer these gifts as a sign of love to people in our community who are in need. We care for God’s people by giving warmth, prayer and hope. You may still bring the gifts until next weekend, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Our donations will be sorted and bagged by the confirmation students and then taken to a local non-profit organization for distribution to our neighbors in need. Thank you for your generosity!

**Question of the Week:**

**Lower Level:**
What happens at Baptism? When and where were you baptized?

**Higher Level:**
Who helps Jesus begin his work of preaching God’s good news? When have you experienced being beloved by God or filled with God’s Spirit?

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER  
SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2014  6:00 P.M.

If you have worked as a volunteer for Mater Dolorosa; perhaps you are in a ministry, sing in the choir, help out in the kitchen, assist with hospitality, decorate the altar, are a catechist, clean up after events, a Extraordinary Minister or a reader, or the many, many other tasks that are performed by our volunteers, we would like to honor and thank you with a dinner on Saturday, January 25th. Please join us for fellowship and relaxation. If you plan to attend, please make your reservation with Fran in the Rectory Office no later than Friday, January 17th. See you there!

WALK FOR LIFE WEST COAST  
JANUARY 25, 2014

We are very excited to be celebrating our 10th anniversary on January 25, 2014. We will once again be at Civic Center Plaza and we will be walking down Market Street to Justin Herman Plaza. Please join us on our Walk for Life!

TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS at MATER DOLOROSA  

At the request of our Archbishop Cordileone, beginning on January 19th, we will have the Extraordinary Form of the Holy Mass (Latin Mass) in our parish church. It will be held on Sundays at 5:00 p.m. and Monday through Friday at 12:00 p.m. Father Vito Perrone and Father Joseph Homick will be the celebrants.

MATER DOLOROSA SOCIAL DANCE  
SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 2014  7:00—10:00 p.m.  $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. Dressy Casual. There will be free basic dance lessons for Waltz, Rumba, and Nightclub Two Step. For more information please call Al & Sandee Chan at 650-872-3816

FORWARD in FAITH  

Beginning the week of January 14, 2014 the Archdiocese is presenting a new FORWARD IN FAITH speaker series: The Theology of Pope Francis. The program will consist of live lectures given at three locations (St. Mary’s Cathedral, San Francisco on Tuesday nights; St. Hilary’s, Tiburon on Wednesday nights; and St. Bartholomew’s, San Mateo on Thursday nights) and will run through the week of February 11. Be sure to register soon. Go to www.sfarchdiocese.org and click on the home page FORWARD IN FAITH banner tab for speaker and a registration information or contact Cindy Kilpatrick at (415) 614-5616.