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♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦
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♦ 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.
Latin Mass in the Extraordinary Form: Monday through Friday 12:00 Noon.
Sunday at 5:00 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
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
March 2, 2014
Isaiah 49:14-15; Psalm 62; 1 Corinthians 4:1-5; Matthew 6:24-34

GOD IS A LOVING PARENT

Some scripture passages require a good deal of study before they yield their inner meaning. Not so with today’s Gospel, a continuation of the Sermon on the Mount. Here we have Jesus’ well-known sayings about God’s care for us. “No one can serve two masters” and “Look at the birds in the sky” have become idioms in our culture. Perhaps they have become too familiar. Jesus’ point is a simple one—if we keep our hearts set on the restoration of Zion, uses a wonderful feminine image to portray God’s atttentiveness to our needs. Juxtaposed with the Gospel reading, an image of God as a doting parent surfaces. No wonder St. Paul in his letter to the Corinthians is more confident in the judgment of the Lord than in any human assessment! For those whose hearts are set on God’s priorities, the time of judgment can bring nothing but good.
CHILD FAITH FORMATION

All classes will resume this Tuesday, March 4th at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to a Family Prayer Service in preparation for our Lenten Journey on Tuesday, March 4th at 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Join the children of our parish as they commit to “Love God and others MORE this Lent”. Please bring non-perishable food, canned food, peanut butter, pasta etc. to donate to St. Vincent de Paul.

The celebration of first reconciliation this school year will be on Saturday, March 8th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Please continue to pray for our students that they are open to encounter God’s love and mercy during their first reconciliation. Let us also offer thanksgiving prayers for catechists and parents in their continuous effort of passing on our Catholic faith.

Question of the Week:

Lower Level:
Why does Jesus teach us not to worry?
What do we learn about God from creation?

Higher Level:
What does Jesus mean when he says, “No one can serve two masters?”
What does Jesus want us to learn from birds and wildflowers?

THE CONTEMPLATIVES OF SAINT JOSEPH

In August 2013, the Contemplatives of Saint Joseph achieved a very significant milestone in the COSJ’s development. The Most Reverend Salvatore Cordileone, Archbishop of San Francisco, decreed the COSJ to be a Public Clerical Association of the Christian Faithful. This is a Canon Law progression that demonstrates the strength of their foundation and the progress that they have made in building the charism and practices of the COSJ. They have begun active recruitment of candidates with vocations to religious life and have several men discerning whether their vocation is a contemplative life with active support for the faithful of the Archdiocese of San Francisco. They have expanded their living quarters to accommodate men in the discernment and for men who will join them in formation. You may visit their website at www.contemplativesofstjoseph.com. We are very privileged to have the COSJ in the Monastery here at Mater Dolorosa. Please keep the Contemplatives of St. Joseph in your prayers.

Blood Centers of the Pacific and The Knights of Columbus will sponsor a Blood Drive on Sunday, March 16, 2014 9:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m. Mater Dolorosa Parish Hall

Please bring a photo I.D. Free Cholesterol Testing with every Donation!
SAVE LIVES — FIND THE HERO IN YOU.

Our Archbishop is once again asking us to join his efforts to provide programs and services to the people of the Archdiocese of San Francisco through our participation in the Archbishop’s Annual Appeal. This year, our parish family has been asked to raise the amount of $52,800.

On behalf of the Archbishop, please consider making a donation to this appeal again. It is good that many of you have considered joining the One Percent Club. If you have not done so, you may want to consider joining the Club, and that means sharing at least $528.00, or at least $52.80 monthly (10 months.) However, please be mindful that whatever amount you give is significant and is highly appreciated. Remember: Any amount donated over $52,800. returns to our parish for use on maintenance, staffing needs and repairs.

Pledge Sunday will be the weekend of March 8 & 9, 2014, where Father Roland will be at all the Masses to talk about it further. If you did not receive a letter and brochure in the mail, pledge cards will be in the pews on that weekend.

Thank you and may God bless your generous hearts!