**MATER DOLOROSA CHURCH**

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**Rectory Office Hours:**
Monday—Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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**November 23, 2014**

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

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**♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦**
Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor
Rev. Msgr. John R. Pernia, In Residence
Rev. Fr. Angel Quitalig, J.C.L., In Residence
Rev. Fr. Vito Perrone, C.O.S.J., Weekend Assistant
Rev. Mr. Alex Aragon, Permanent Deacon
Rev. Mr. Romeo Cruz, Permanent Deacon
Mrs. Frances Lidwell, Parish Manager
Mrs. Felisa Cepeda, 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.
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.
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 23, 2014

Ezekiel 34:11; Psalm 23;
1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46

THE LORD’S FLOCK

Sheep are high-maintenance animals. They are not very intelligent. Without guidance and care, especially in a climate like Israel’s, they would die quickly from predators, starvation, or just their own slowness. The scriptural image of us as the Lord’s flock is not terribly flattering to us, since it is only the never-ending diligence of a watchful shepherd that allows the flock to survive.

The feast of Christ the King was intended to call the world back to Christ as the sole power of the world, to bring back a flock that had been scattered by many negative forces of the growing industrial, scientific, and war-torn world of the early twentieth century. It is fitting that, as we celebrate Christ the King, we hear about Christ the Shepherd who cares for us and who, likewise, will be there at the end of time. Interestingly enough, as the Gospel illustrates, our own destiny is determined by the way we have been “shepherds” to the rest of the flock.

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is Monday, December 8th, and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times are: 8:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Mater Dolorosa’s Upcoming Week AT-A-GLANCE

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<td>Latin Mass</td>
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<td>Tues. Nov. 25</td>
<td>Second Harvest Kids Now Program Latin Mass No CFF Classes</td>
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<td>Wed. Nov. 26</td>
<td>Legion of Mary Latin Mass Latin Mass Choir Practice Ballroom Dancing</td>
<td>8:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Thurs. Nov. 27</td>
<td>Thanksgiving Mass Latin Mass Rectory Office Closed</td>
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<td>Fri. Nov. 28</td>
<td>Latin Mass COSJ Choir Practice Choir Practice Rectory Office Closed</td>
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<td>Sat. Nov. 29</td>
<td>Legion of Mary Family Presidium</td>
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<td>Sun. Nov. 30</td>
<td>Hospitality: St. Vincent de Paul Legion of Mary Latin Mass</td>
<td>11:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.</td>
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Collections

FOR Nov. 16, 2014:

First Collection  $ 3,472.50
Campaign for Human Dev.  $ 2,147.50

Our Second Collection this Sunday is for our Helping Hands Fund

Our Second Collection for next Sunday is for St. Vincent de Paul

Thank you for your generous donations towards the continued support of your Church!

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

Rose Elaine Archer-Thompson, Trude Buntger, Larry Casey, Shirley Cotton, Lucy Delahoussay, John Dresser, Joe Dueñas, Luz Gomez, Amy Marston, Walter Marston, Nellie Metzger, Eileen McHugh, Dorothy Pruett, Maria Luisa Sarra, Gladys & Luis Torres, Ernie Ventura and Tony Yee.

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

Please say a prayer for our many sick, homebound and hospitalized parishioners who are unable to attend Mass.
CHILD FAITH FORMATION

The Faith Formation Classes will be on Thanksgiving break this Tuesday, Nov 25th. Classes will resume on Dec 2nd. In observation of Thanksgiving the CFF office will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, Nov 27th. Are your children having trouble being “present” for the entire Mass? Here are a few suggestions to help them find their place at Mass: - Try to go the same Mass each week - they will look forward to seeing the same faces or activities in church - be a model for your children – participate fully by singing, following along in your book, and watching what is happening at the altar - see and be seen – sit in a place where you can each have an unobstructed view of the celebration of Mass. Watching the priest makes children more aware of what’s going on during the Mass. As they get older, they understand that sitting up front makes them more accountable for their behavior. By helping them make Mass more meaningful it will become more meaningful for the whole family. Our next gathering for Children’s Liturgy of the Word will be Sunday, December 7th, at the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

REMINDER: First Communion and Confirmation 1 classes: We will have our Jesus Story activity on Saturday, December 6th from 2:30pm to 6:00pm in the school (includes attending 5pm Mass). The First Communion students will be presented to the parish community during the “Rite of Welcome” at the 5pm Mass. Afterwards, we will celebrate Advent with all the CFF families in the parish hall. Questions? Please call the CFF office.

Questions of the Week:
In today’s gospel, the ruler is also a judge. At the last judgment, Christ is pictured as the king who judges the nations. How lucky we are to have Jesus tell us what they did not seem to know, that when we do for others, we do to him, and that we will be judged on our works of mercy and justice. Take a moment to think about these works that the gospel mentions. Ask Christ to reign and rule in your heart and in the whole world.

Levels 1-6: Who do you visit that is sick? With whom do you share clothes? How do you help hungry people? What is mercy?

Level 7 & Confirmation classes: What criteria does the ruler/judge use to separate the good and evil ones? List the actions, called Works of Mercy, that are rewarded in this story. List the actions that are not rewarded.

Holiday Shopping and Gift Cards
Purchase gift cards through the Mater Dolorosa Scrip Gift Card Fundraising Program. They are the same gift cards that you buy at the stores. The beauty of this program is that our Parish automatically and immediately earns money when you purchase gift cards from our Scrip Program. Use these gift cards for your own purchases or as gifts. We have gift cards from over 300 of the country’s biggest brands, including grocery, department stores, gas stations, restaurants, hotels, home improvement, online stores, and more. Simply fill out the order form that is available in the vestibule and drop it in the collection basket during offertory. The turnaround time is about 1 week, so please plan ahead. Gift cards make great stocking stuffers!

Mater Dolorosa supports parents awaiting the birth of their children and encourages parishioners to recognize and pray for the precious gift of the child in the womb. Therefore, during 7:30 p.m. Mass on Monday, Dec. 8th, (The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary) we invite all expectant parents to receive the blessing for themselves and their unborn children.

Mater Dolorosa Annual Christmas Bingo Luncheon
Saturday, December 6
Doors open at 11:30
Sit down, three-course lunch, complimentary beverages, BINGO for prizes!
$20 per person, $10 kids 12 and under.
Please bring a wrapped, new, “Good Neighbor” gift valued at $5.00 or more. Make your reservations today! This event sells out every year!
Call Sandee Chan 583-3385 or Terry Keller 872-3816

HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO EVERYONE IN OUR PARISH COMMUNITY.
There will be a 10:00 a.m. Mass on Thanksgiving Day, November 27th (no 8:00 a.m. Mass). You are welcome to bring the bread and wine that you will serve that day to be blessed. Please note that our Rectory Office will be closed on Thursday, November 27th and Friday, November 28th. We hope you have a blessed and a gratitude filled holiday and weekend.

UnBOUND, (formerly CFCA) is a Catholic organization that our community has welcomed in past years so that we might have a chance to consider sharing the blessings of sponsorship of waiting children and elders. CFCA has been renamed Unbound.org and is ecumenical but still holds the same values and goals of reaching out to help others one person at a time. This year, Unbound has requested that our parish community hold our sponsorship invitation weekend on November 29 and November 30, after each Mass on both days. Please come by the vestibule area where a table will have been set up featuring sponsorship folders of available children and elders. You may visit with volunteers (current and past Unbound sponsors), ask questions, consider sponsoring, and help Unbound’s goal of being able to give 1,500 children and elders hope for a better life. Starting this weekend, there will be a sign up sheet for volunteers who wish to help out with the sponsorship table. Jan Alicaway at (650) 438-9619 is available to answer questions for interested volunteers.

SIMPANG GABI at MATER DOLOROSA
The Mater Dolorosa Simbang Gabi Committee invites you to heighten our community’s collective spiritual preparation for Christmas by participating actively in the 9-day novena of Masses to be held from Monday, Dec. 15th to Tuesday, Dec. 23rd. If you are interested in becoming involved, please pick up one of the Simbang Gabi forms in the vestibule or email mdsimbanggabi@gmail.com. For information, please see the flyers posted in the vestibule.