**MATER DOLOROSA CHURCH**
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November 30, 2014

♦ 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, O.S.I., 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 sacra-
ment is celebrated in Ninth Grade.

♦ MARRIAGE ♦
Please contact the Rectory Office at least 6 months prior to your wed-
ding 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
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

November 30, 2014

Isaiah 63:16-17; Psalm 80;
1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:33-37

WATCH!

“Watch!” This word occurs three times in today’s Gospel passage. Moreover, it is placed at significant points: the beginning, the center, and the end. Though this is technically a parable, it is quite short (four verses). The threefold repetition of “watch” leaves no doubt as to what the story is about.

We often think of Advent as a time of waiting, but it truly is a season of watchfulness, a very active form of waiting for the coming Day of the Lord. It is that day, more than Christmas day, that the Christian community faithfully expects, using all of our gifts and talents for this purpose, as Paul reminds us in the Letter to the Corinthians. When we use these gifts in faithful watching and expectation, we become like the servants of the parable, set to their tasks, not waiting around idly, but engaged in the master’s work until his return. May our Advent be a time when we return or rededicate our lives and our communities to this work—the active and diligent faithfulness that the Lord will expect to find.

Mater Dolorosa’s Upcoming Week AT-A-GLANCE

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| Tues. Dec. 2 | Second Harvest | 9:00 a.m. |
|             | Kids Now Program | 10:00 a.m. |
|             | Latin Mass | 12:00 p.m. |
|             | CFF Classes | 5:45—8:15 p.m. |

| Wed. Dec. 3 | Legion of Mary | 8:30 a.m. |
|             | Latin Mass | 12:00 p.m. |
|             | Latin Mass Choir Practice | 6:00 p.m. |
|             | Baptism Class | 7:00 p.m. |
|             | Ballroom Dancing | 8:00 p.m. |

| Thurs. Dec. 4 | Latin Mass | 12:00 p.m. |

| Fri. Dec. 5 | Eucharistic Adoration | 8:30 a.m. |
|             | Benediction | 10:30 a.m. |
|             | Latin Mass | 12:00 p.m. |
|             | COSJ Choir Practice | 4:00 p.m. |
|             | Choir Practice | 7:00 p.m. |
|             | Christmas Bingo Luncheon Set up | 3:00—6:00 p.m. |
|             | Eucharistic Adoration | 6:00 p.m. |
|             | Healing Mass | 7:00 p.m. |

| Sat. Dec. 6 | Christmas Bingo Luncheon | 11:30 a.m. |
|             | Legion of Mary | 7:00 p.m. |
|             | Family Presidium | 10:00 a.m. |
|             | Children’s Liturgy of the Word | 11:00 a.m. |
|             | Hospitality: Hospitality Ministry | 11:30 a.m. |
|             | Youth Group | 5:00 p.m. |
|             | Latin Mass | 5:00 p.m. |

COLLECTIONS

Due to the holiday schedule, our Collection Totals will be published in an upcoming bulletin.

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

Our Second Collection for next Sunday is for Religious Retirement Fund

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 Bunting, Larry Casey, Shirley Cotton, Lucy Delahousaye, John Dresser, Joe Duenas, Luz Gopez, Amy Marston, Walter Marston, Nellie Metzger, Eileen McHugh, Dorothy Pruitt, 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.

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.

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The Mass Intentions for the Week of November 30, 2014:

- Abelardo & Hortensia Rodriguez (D)
- Angelita Schreckengaust (D)
- Albert Jack Rogers (D)
- Sue Samares (D)
- Miguel Quiambao (D)
- Rosalinda Ledesma (L)
- Annie Agleham (L)
- Policarpo Caballero (D)
- Mary Jane Pegia (D)
- People of the Parish

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CHILD FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation Classes will resume on Dec 2nd. Please support our First Communion students and their families during the 5pm Mass on Dec 6 as they are presented to our parish community in the “Rite of Welcome.” All the children of the CFF classes will gather in the parish hall after the 5pm Mass on Dec 6th, to celebrate St. Nicholas’ day, and Advent. Our CFF classes will be singing Christmas carols and present the Christmas pageant on this evening. Bring your baby Jesus from home to get blessed before you place him in your nativity. All Faith Formation families are encouraged to attend. The potluck sign-up sheet is on the CFF table in the vestibule or in the school lobby. 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 ONLY: We will have our Jesus Story activity on Saturday, December 6th from 2:30pm to 4:30pm in the school. This is a required activity to attend. 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:

Today is the first Sunday of Advent. In today’s Gospel reading, Jesus warns us of the need to be awake and watchful for his coming at the end of time and each day of our lives.

Levels 1-6: Why is Jesus asking us to be watchful?

Level 7 & Confirmation classes: Identify three situations in today’s world that challenge you to live the Gospel. How can we be an Advent people, awake to meet those challenges and attentive to all the ways Jesus comes into our lives? Pray this prayer: “Come, Lord, Jesus, Come.”

CHRISTMAS AT MATER DOLOROSA

Parish Advent Penance Service
December 1st—7:00 p.m.
Traditional Los Posadas
December 9th - 6:00 p.m.
Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass
December 10th - 7:00 p.m.

Simbang Gabi Masses
December 15th through December 23rd -7:00 p.m.
(Pot Luck Dinner follows December 23rd Mass)

CHRISTMAS MASSES
(Holy Day of Obligation)
Christmas Eve Masses, December 24th
5:00 p.m. (with Children’s Pageant)
9:15 p.m. Christmas Caroling
10:00 p.m. Midnight Mass

Christmas Day Masses
December 25th - 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., & 12:00 p.m.

New Year’s Eve Mass
December 31st - 10:00 p.m. (Midnight Mass)

New Year’s Day Mass (Holy Day of Obligation)
January 1st - Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

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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.
“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

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.

SIMBANG 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.

Holiday Shopping and Gift Cards
Purchase gift cards through the Mater Dolorosa Scrip Gift Card Fundraising Program. Simply fill out the order form that is available in the vestibule and drop it in the collection basket during offertory. Gift cards make great stocking stuffers!

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