December 7, 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.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.

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
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
December 7, 2014

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; Psalm 85; 
2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8

EXILE

Both Isaiah and Peter had the task of comforting and encouraging their communities during times of exile. The Israelites were in geographic exile from Israel; to them this was, in effect, the same as being in exile from their God. The early Christians, following the Resurrection, expected an immediate return of Christ in glory; they, too, felt in “exile” as the delay of the Second Coming grew longer and longer. All four of scripture’s authors today—Isaiah, the psalmist, Peter, and Mark—hasten to help us see things in God’s terms, not ours. They want us to know that we can never truly be exiled from God, or from God-among-us, since we know that when the faithful are gathered, Christ has come into their midst. Instead, we are encouraged today to do what we can from our end to shorten the time of our exile: to repent of our sins, to return our lives to the Lord, to live as people who seek the coming day of the Lord, when “kindness and truth shall meet; justice and peace shall kiss” (Psalm 85:10).

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>Mon. Dec. 8</td>
<td>8:00 a.m.</td>
<td>Justa Villegas Meer (D)</td>
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<td>Teofilo Bagain (D)</td>
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<td>Tues. Dec. 9</td>
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<td>Rosalinda Ledesma (L)</td>
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<td>Alfonso Yu, Jr. (D)</td>
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<td>Rosenda Santos (D)</td>
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<td>Sun. Dec. 14</td>
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<td>Loreto &amp; Josefin Senoran (D)</td>
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Collections

FOR Nov. 23, 2014:
First Collection $4,786.50
Helping Hands $1,716.00

FOR Nov. 28, 2014 (Thanksgiving)
St. Vincent de Paul $2,935.50

FOR Nov. 30, 2014:
First Collection $4,816.50
St. Vincent de Paul $2,170.50

Our Second Collection this Sunday is for Religious Retirement Fund
Our Second Collection for next Sunday is for Our Special Projects Fund

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

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

Rose Elaine Archer-Thompson, Trude Buntger
Larry Casey, Shirley Cotton, Lucy Delahousseaye, John Dresser, Joe Duenas, 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

Those students who are in the 4th grade or older and have NOT completed the on-line Shield the Vulnerable training will be required to attend the following sessions:
Dec 9th at 5pm for grades 4th, 5th and 6th.  Dec 16 at 5pm for grades 7th, 8th and high school. These sessions will be held in the school classroom. Questions? Please call or email the CFF office.

As a reminder: All our CFF classes are on Christmas break. Classes will resume on January 6, 2015. Have a blessed and safe Christmas and New Year. THANK YOU to all our families, children and catechists who participated and contributed to our Faith Formation Advent Celebration. It was a wonderful evening of sharing a meal, singing and learning about St. Nicholas. Our next gathering for Children’s Liturgy of the Word will be Sunday, December 21st, at the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Questions of the Week:

In this gospel reading Mark introduces John the Baptist as the messenger of the Messiah, sent by God to prepare his path. Let us prepare for Jesus’ coming as John taught the people to prepare: with repentance for our sins, with welcoming hearts, with unselfish love, and with generosity for one another.

Levels 1-6: How can you tell people are getting ready for Christmas? What can you do to get your heart ready for Jesus’ coming on Christmas?
Level 7 & Confirmation classes: Who is John the Baptist and how does he prepare the way for Jesus?

CHRISTMAS AT MATER DOLOROSA

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., *12:00 noon & *7:30 p.m.

*ERRATUM: The January 1st Mass times have been corrected. The Mass times listed are now correct.

MATER DOLOROSA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PRESENTS:
FUN JOY RIDE
FEATHER FALLS CASINO and CACHE CREEK CASINO
DECEMBER 13, 2014
Assembly Place: Mater Dolorosa Parking Lot
Boarding Time: 7:00 a.m. Departure Time: 7:15 a.m.
Donation: $30.00 per person (Adults Only)
Refunds: Feather Falls: $10.00 Cash, Cache Creek:
$10.00 slot, $5.00 Food Coupon
Mail Check Payable to: Knights of Columbus Council 14811
Send to: 2 Estate Cr., So. San Francisco, CA 94080
Free Snacks & Refreshments on Board the Bus!

RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT FUND

On December 13-14 the annual collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will be taken. Your gift will help defray some of the costs needed to care for our elderly religious and relieve the genuine financial crisis in many religious congregations. Whatever you give will be greatly appreciated. Please be generous. Most importantly, please remember in your prayers the more than 630 women and men religious living and serving in the Archdiocese of San Francisco.

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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.