December 6, 2015

♦ 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.

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
THE SECOND SUNDAY of ADVENT

December 6, 2015

Baruch 5:1-9; Psalm 126;
Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11; Luke 3:1-6

PUT ON JOY

Today, Baruch speaks of the splendor that lies ahead for the city of Jerusalem and for all of us, regardless of where home is for us. Throw off strife, he tells us, and put on joy. Like a favorite old sweatshirt, joy fits, and how warm it keeps us, even when the winds blow cold.

Paul knows of this joy as he pens his letter to the Philippians, praying that they may grow in their ability to discern what is righteous and good. And Luke speaks to us of John, who was foretold by Isaiah and who sings a similar song—“Prepare the way of the Lord,” for salvation is at hand.

A man ahead of his time, Baruch spent his days joyfully awaiting a distant glory. On this Second Sunday of Advent, Paul and John know that this glory is upon us.

The Immaculate Conception of Mary

Tuesday, December 8, 2015
Mass times are: 8:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon, & 7:30 p.m.

Mater Dolorosa's Upcoming Week AT-A-GLANCE

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COLLECTIONS

FOR November 22, 2015

First Collection $4,983.00
Campaign for Human Development $1,984.00
Thanksgiving $3,489.00

FOR November 29, 2015

First Collection $4,641.00
St. Vincent de Paul $2,044.00
Our Second Collection this Sunday is for Religious Retirement.

Our Second Collection Next Sunday is for Our Special Projects Fund.

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12:00 p.m. Joseph Pascal Hanna (D) AQ
5:00 p.m. Priest’s Intention VP
Mon. Dec. 7 8:00 a.m. Gabriel & Francis Quinones (D) AQ
12:00 p.m. Priest’s Intention VP
Tues. Dec. 8 8:00 a.m. Justa Villegas Meer (D) RD
12:00 p.m. People of the Parish VP
7:30 p.m. Teofil Bagain (D) JP
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12:00 p.m. Priest’s Intention VH
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Immaculate Conception Masses
December 8th
8:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., & 7:30 p.m.

Traditional Los Posadas
December 9th - 7:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass
December 10th - 7:00 p.m.

Advent Penance Service at Mater Dolorosa
December 14th – 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. Vigil Mass with Children’s Pageant
9:15 to 9:45 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 Masses
Holy Day of Obligation
January 1st - Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
8:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Las Posadas preparing for La Navidad
December 9th 7:00 p.m.

This special Hispanic Christmas tradition begins on December 16th. The word “posadas” mean “inn” or “lodging”. This tradition celebrates the story of Joseph and Mary searching for an inn where Mary could give birth. This celebration is a wonderful reminder of the spirit of Christmas. It is also a very fun Christmas tradition. This is our 5th year that we proudly celebrate this tradition with our Hispanic families. Please join us on Dec 9th at 7:00pm in the church for an evening of prayer, singing and the presentation of the posadas, followed by food and fun. Please contact Deacon Alex if you have questions.

INVITED
Children’s Liturgy of the Word gathering will be on Dec 13th & Dec 20th.
Please contact Deacon Alex if you have questions.

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CHILD FAITH FORMATION

Each family was given a booklet for this holy season of Advent; Everyday Wonders Daily Reflections, Prayers & Actions for Families. It will help your family uncover the “true meaning” of the season and get your family talking, moving, praying, learning and loving during these weeks of preparation for Christmas. Please check your child’s blue folder and start using it today.

As a reminder: All our CFF classes are on Christmas break. Classes will resume on January 5, 2016.

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 Advent. Have a blessed and safe Christmas and New Year.

SACRAMENTAL CLASSES: First Communion class: There will be a parent meeting on Jan. 10th @ 11am. Please plan on attending with your child. We will be discussing your child’s preparation for First Reconciliation. Confirmation 2 class: 1st Sunday Mass & Class – Dec 6th – attend 12noon Mass then class from 1:00pm to 3:30pm in the school. Parents please bring a snack to share.

Questions of the Week: Why do you suppose Luke makes such an effort to pin down the historical timing of the preaching of John the Baptist? He wants us to realize that John, a "common man" chosen by God, is much more important than any worldly ruler, because he announces the Lord's coming. John urges the people to be baptized as a sign of their repentance for their sins. When they do this, they will make the path clear for Christ to come into their lives. Then all people "shall see the salvation of God." Have you ever cleared a path with a shovel or even your bare hands—perhaps through snow, or through a dense undergrowth of vines or weeds? It's hard work! This is what John is asking us to do—to clear a path in our lives to welcome Christ.

Is there a path in your life that might take some heavy lifting or some cutting back of things that "catch you up"? How will you clear your path to Christ?

SIMBANG GABI at MATER DOLOROSA
You are welcome to be a sponsor for one of the upcoming Simbang Gabi Masses on December 15th through December 23rd. Please fill out one of the forms that can be found in the vestibule.

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Please join us on December 10 at 7:00pm for a bilingual Mass honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe
All are INVITED most especially your children. Please bring flowers to present to the image of Our Lady. Hospitality will take place after the Mass.
Please contact Deacon Alex if you have questions.

Our Christmas Giving Tree is up in the vestibule of the church through December 25th. As you have done in the past, we would like you to purchase Target gift cards, rather than gifts for the needy families in our parish community. Please pick an “ornament” tag that indicates purchasing a $10.00 Target gift card. You may bring them to the rectory or drop them off in the Sunday collection basket. The members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul thank you for your generosity and support!