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April 17, 2016

♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦
Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor
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Mrs. Frances Lidwell, Parish Manager
Mrs. Felisa Cepeda, Director of Religious Education
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Mr. Ricardo Carlos, Sacristan

♦ 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__________
Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 17, 2016
Acts 13:14, 43-52; Psalm 100;
Revelation 7:9, 14b-17; John 10:27-30

THE SHEPHERD’S FLOCK

In Christian art, the earliest depictions of Jesus Christ were not of his crucifixion or of his resurrection. The first known renderings of Jesus show him as the Good Shepherd, the image put before us in today’s readings. In the Gospel passage Jesus reveals that he is the shepherd and his followers are his “flock.”

In the first and second readings, we are told more about the flock. The passage from Acts assures us that both Jews and Gentiles are called to follow Jesus. It is faith, not birthright, that makes us part of the company of believers. In the passage from the book of Revelation we learn that the flock that follows this Lamb of God will also be washed in his blood. They will endure a time of trial before they enjoy eternal life. Be assured of the promise, we are told, but know there is a price to be paid.

“I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth.” — Acts 13:47

Mater Dolorosa’s Upcoming Week AT-A-GLANCE

Thu. Apr. 21
Legion of Mary
Latin Mass
Adult Bible/Faith Study
MD Choir Practice
8:30 a.m.
12:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.
12:00 p.m.
2:00 p.m.

Fri. Apr. 22
Legion of Mary
Latin Mass
COSJ Choir
5:00 p.m.
12:00 p.m.

COLLECTIONS
FOR April 10, 2016
First Collection $ 5,306.00
Parish Maintenance $ 1,783.00
EASTER Collection $15,825.00

Our Second Collection this Sunday is for Our Special Projects Fund.
Our Collection Next Sunday is for Black & Indian Missions.

Thank you for your continued support of your parish and our Catholic Church!

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

Rose Elaine Archer-Thompson, Trude Bunting, Janie Bustos, Larry Casey, Shirley Cotton, Lucy Delahoussaye, John Dresser, George Garibaldi, Luz Gomez, Joan Lopiccolo, Amy Marston, Walter Marston, Nellie Metzger, Eileen McHugh, John Paat, Sr., Deryk Padilla, Mary Anne Padilla, Dorothy Pruett, Florentina Quitugua, Archie Sam, Gigi Sam, Maria Luisa Sarra, and Gladys & Luis Torres.

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

Please pray for our many sick, homebound and hospitalized parishioners who are unable to attend Mass.

DAY TIME MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK PRIEST
Sat. Apr. 16 5:00 p.m. Mikaela Paulate (L) AQ
Sun. Apr. 17 8:00 a.m. People of the Parish Homer Gibbs (D)
Mon. Apr. 18 8:00 a.m. Gary Arbsetti (D) Priest’s Intention
Tues. Apr. 19 8:00 a.m. Edelwiza Paulette Nunez (D) Priest’s Intention RD
Wed. Apr. 20 8:00 a.m. Demetrio & Sophia Gabaldon (D) Priest’s Intention AQ
Thurs. Apr. 21 8:00 a.m. Marcelo Meer (D) Priest’s Intention AQ
Fri. Apr. 22 8:00 a.m. Rog Villanflor (D) Priest’s Intention RD
Sat. Apr. 23 8:00 a.m. Komp Family (L) Mary Cianciolo (D) Reynaldo Belenzo, Sr. (D) JP
CHILD FAITH FORMATION

There will be a CFF family meeting on April 19th at 6pm for all families. Childcare will be provided. We will be discussing changes for the upcoming school year 2016-17, the Year of Mercy and completing the explanation of the Mass.

SACRAMENTAL CLASSES:

First Communion class: There will be a Family Retreat day Apr 23 at 8:30am-12noon. Attendance is required of student and parent. Confirmation 1 class: Apr 26 @ 7:15pm – Sponsor/Parent meeting in parish hall. Sponsor forms are due. Confirmation 2 class: Apr. 17 - Parent Meeting @ 1pm. Meet in classroom.

Questions of the Week:

In today’s Gospel reading, the words Jesus speaks were directed to some Jewish leaders who wanted to trip him up. They were hoping he would call himself the Messiah. Instead, Jesus refers to himself as “the Good Shepherd.” He describes the secure and lasting relationship he has with his sheep, those who truly hear him and believe.

How is Jesus like a shepherd? How does a shepherd care for his sheep? Who do you see as a good shepherd today?

We mourn the passing of our dear parishioner, James Berriatua on Wednesday, April 6th. Please keep his wife Catherine, and her family in your prayers. May he rest in Eternal Peace.

APRIL EVANGELIZATION

“And Jesus came and said to them, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.’” (Matthew 28:18-20).

We recently witnessed the joy of those baptized at our Easter Vigils. With the renewal of our own baptismal promises, we go forth as his disciples and spread the Good News that Jesus has Risen. Keeping Christ’s message of peace and hope alive in our thoughts and deeds, we become living examples of His love. Pope Francis reminds us how we can become better messengers of the Good News: “We evangelize not with grand words, or complicated concepts, but with the joy of the Gospel, which fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus.” He cautions us, “Evangelization does not consist in proselytizing, proselytizing is a caricature of evangelization; rather, evangelization is attracting, by our witness, those who are far off, humbly drawing near to those who feel distant from God and the Church, drawing close to those who feel judged and condemned from the start by those who feel they’re perfect and pure, drawing near to those who are fearful or indifferent.” Inspired by Jesus’ call and reminded by Pope Francis’ words, we live the balance of confidence and tenderness in our discipleship.

TEACH YOUR CHILDREN TO PRAY

The single most powerful thing Catholic parents can do for their children is teaching them to pray. No matter what age they are, it’s never too late to start. There are a variety of ways to teach prayer. One way is to teach the five-finger method. This approach to prayer may help your child become comfortable with praying. It includes five steps: give praise, give thanks, make a request for another person, ask for forgiveness and make a request for yourself.

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES ON SALE AT MATER DOLOROSA

April 23, & 24, 2016

The Olivewood carving industries supports many Holy Land Christians in the Bethlehem area who rely on the income from selling their items created and carved by local craftsmen. Mater Dolorosa will host a sale of these religious articles following all the Masses on April 23rd & 24th. Please take a look at their articles to support Christians in the Holy Land.

What do we mean by standing, sitting, and kneeling during Mass?

The Mass involves our hearts, minds, and bodies when we adopt different postures. They help us focus but each posture also has a special meaning. We stand to show respect and honor as we do when the celebrant (representing Christ) enters and leaves, when we receive Communion, or when we hear the Gospel read. We sit when we listen to the homily to help us focus on the words being said. We kneel at the Consecration to show penance and adoration.

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