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August 7, 2016

♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦
Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor
Rev. Msgr. John R. Pernia, In Residence
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Rev. Fr. Rufino Gepiga, Parish Associate
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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. Ricardo Carlos, Sacristan
Ms. Elsa Agasid, Music Coordinator
Mr. Marlon Evangelista, Music Coordinator

♦ 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.
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.

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 Letter to the Hebrews today sings a hymn of praise to Abraham and to his faith, upon which are founded the religions of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. Abraham is called “father” in faith by more people on earth than anybody else, numerous as the sands of the seashore or the stars of the heavens. Hebrews tells us it was this foundational faith that led Abraham to obey God’s call when he heard it, though he was called to journey to a land he did not know and told he would father a mighty race through a marriage he thought was barren. But Abraham’s faith, the author of Hebrews tells us, was his realization of what he hoped for, and the evidence of what he could not see. How often are we, in simple daily events of our own Christian vocation, called to an unfamiliar place or told we are to do something we do not believe we can? How fortunate we are to have Father Abraham as our guide and example!
 CHILD FAITH FORMATION

Registration for the new Faith Formation school year is now being accepted. All NEW and RETURNING students must register for the new school year. Please pick up registration form and information from the vestibule, the Rectory or CFF Offices and the school lobby. Classes begin on Tuesday, Sept. 13th. Families with students in grade 4 and above MUST complete the on-line safety training at www.shieldthevulnerable.org and bring the certificate of completion to the first day of class. REMINDER: If you are traveling this summer with your family, attend Mass in the city/town you are visiting. To find Mass times in that area check this website, www.masstimes.org. CFF families, please make sure to bring your child’s “Passport to Heaven” and take a picture of the church or altar you visited or attended Mass. The children of the Faith Formation program will share their pictures and stories of the Catholic identity from many different cities and/or countries on October 4th during hospitality. If you do not have children in the CFF program, you are invited to share photos of churches you visited this summer on October 2nd. SAVE THE DATE – Aug 21, 11am – First Communion Family and student orientation – Aug 23, 6pm – Conf 1 Family and student orientation – Aug 24, 6pm – Conf 2 Family and student orientation – Aug 30, 6pm – NEW Family and student orientation.

Questions of the Week:

Jesus promised to come soon. But he did not say when he would return. In today’s Gospel reading, he encouraged his followers to watch and be ready. When we gather to hear God’s word together, we wait for him. When we receive him in Communion, we hope to see him soon, face to face. So, let us watch and be ready. We don’t know when or how he will come. But he will come. Soon.

What would you do to prepare for a special guest to your house? If you knew Jesus would come to your house tomorrow; how would you prepare?

SOCIAL DANCE

The Wednesday night dance group will host a Social Dance at Mater Dolorosa on Saturday, August 20, 2016. 1:00 to 4:00 P.M. $8 per person in advance. $10 at the door. Free dance lessons. Light refreshments will be provided. Please contact AI or Sandee Chan at 650 872-3816 for advance reservations.

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

Mark your calendars for Mater Dolorosa’s annual Parish Picnic in honor of our patroness, Our Lady of Sorrows, on September 17th at 11:00 a.m. There will be Mass in the Pieta Garden followed by a pot luck lunch.

Interested in helping out? There will be a planning meeting on August 23rd at 6:00 in the parish hall. We hope to have all of our parish ministries represented at this event.

COMMUNITY WEDDING at our PARISH

There will be a Community Wedding at Mater Dolorosa to join couples in the Sacrament of Marriage on November 26, 2016. If you are interested, please take a flyer located in the vestibule for more information.

Questions of the Week:

Our soul waits for the LORD, who is our help and our shield.