SEPTEMBER 18, 2016

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. Rufino Gepiga, Parish Associate
- 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. Ricardo Carlos, Sacristan
- Mr. Alex Aragon, Permanent Deacon
- Mrs. Frances Lidwell, Parish Manager
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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 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
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 18, 2016

Amos 8:4-7; Psalm 113; 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 16:1-13

OUR RESPONSIBILITY FOR OTHERS

The Second Vatican Council has called us to envision the Church as the people of God. As a community of believers we are responsible for our brothers and sisters, their salvation, their journey of faith, their physical well-being. Many of the documents of Vatican II and volumes of work since the mid-1960s give us advice, guidelines, and encouragement to take care of one another: the poor, the elderly, the unborn, the broken, the infirm.

Because Vatican II is part of our recent history—indeed many of us were already born—this may strike us as a new revolutionary idea. But today’s readings show us the agelessness of the issue of social justice. Eight hundred years before Christ was born, Amos warned the wealthy not to cheat the poor. In Paul’s first letter to Timothy, he encourages all believers we are responsible for our parishioners who are unable to attend Mass.

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

Liz Alvaro, Rose Elaine Archer-Thompson, Jason Bell, Trude Bunger, Janie Bustos, Larry Casey, Shirley Cotton, Lucy Delahoussaye, John Dresser, George Garbaldi, Liz Gomez, Walter Heim, Joan Lopiccolo, Amy Marston, Walter Marston, Nellie Metzger, Eileen McHugh, Isabella Paat, Derk Padilla, Mary Anne Padilla, Dorothy Pruitt, Florentina Quitugua, Archie Sam, Gigi Sam, Maria Luisa Sarra, Laura Skaff 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.

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COLLECTIONS
FOR September 11, 2016

First Collection: $4,911.00
Parish Maintenance: $1,937.00

Our Second Collection this Sunday is for The Priest’s Retirement Fund.
Our Collection Next Sunday is for Flood Victims. (Replaces of Special Projects)

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

Faith Formation classes started last Tuesday, Sept. 13th. IT’S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER! We have two sessions 5:45 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for students in grade 1 to grade 5 and at 7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. for students in middle school to high school. Why enroll your child in faith formation? When your child was baptized, you promised to raise him/her in the Catholic Faith. This obligation included your responsibility to see that your child is formed in the Faith throughout their formative years. This formation only happens gradually as the child grows in “wisdom, age and grace” and is given the opportunity to learn at the appropriate age level. Of course the child’s faith formation begins at birth and continues through their life at home with you. You, the parent, are the primary teacher of Faith to your children. The parish program is intended to help your fulfill this obligations but does not replace your obligation. This, of course, presumes that you also are growing in Faith according to your age. On-going faith formation is a life-time obligation for all the baptized.

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 class. Registration for the new Faith Formation school year will continue to be accepted.

All NEW and RETURNING students must register. Please pick up registration form and information from the vestibule, the Rectory or CFF Offices and the school lobby. If you travelled this summer with your family and attended Mass in the city/town you are visiting. EVERYONE in our parish is invited to share photos of churches visited this summer. Email the CFF office (cff@mdssf.org) the picture of the church or altar you visited or attended Mass. The children and families will share their pictures and stories of our Catholic identity from many different cities and/or countries on October 2nd during hospitality.

Questions of the Week:

When Christ speaks of serving two masters in this Sunday’s Gospel, he is asking us to reflect on our priorities in life. If we are truly the Christians we claim to be, are our actions and words indicative of that? Are we putting God before all else or are we serving a different master—a master of technology, peer pressure, popular culture? Serving God above all else means more than simply making time to strengthen our faith. It also means prioritizing things in our lives that are good and life-giving. The best place to start this journey is by taking time to rest in God’s peace. As St. Augustine says, “Our hearts are restless until they find rest in you.” Challenge yourself this week to do that. How is your current balance of prayer life, responsibilities for school, family, and activities? Is there something that needs to be more of a priority? How can you begin to make this happen?

Often times, we find ourselves stuck in a rut when it comes to schedules and priorities. What can you do, if anything, to make sure your priorities are in order that pleases you? That pleases God!

BLESSING of the ANIMALS

Join us on October 9, 2016, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass for the Blessing of the Animals sponsored by Mater Dolorosa Parish and the Knights of Columbus Council #14818. An animal day care center will be available for those attending Mass. (Only pets in cages or on leashes are accepted.) Everyone is welcome to bring their pets to be blessed in the tradition of St. Francis of Assisi.

A Call to Support Our Brothers and Sisters in Louisiana.

A Statement from Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz of Louisville, President, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

The recent storms in Louisiana may not have a name, but the names of those suffering in the wake of the worst flooding since Hurricane Katrina are our sisters and brothers. As a people of God, let us come to their aid. I encourage Catholics across the United States to respond generously. Our prayer and material support is urgently needed to help rebuild lives.

As many as 60,000 homes have been damaged, with nearly 20,000 people being rescued from the flood waters. More than 106,000 individuals and families have sought federal disaster aid. Immediate and long-term recovery needs place a tremendous burden on public and private resources. This is a burden we can help carry as the body of Christ. Faced with the loss of their worldly possessions and, in some cases, economic livelihood, thousands of families have been left feeling isolated and fearful because of these flood waters. Let us draw near to them.

As president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, I have called for an emergency collection to support the humanitarian efforts of Catholic Charities USA and to provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted Catholic dioceses. Join the Church in being a visible witness to the healing presence of Jesus alive in the world. Whether your donation is large or small, let us also be sure those suffering feel the power of our prayer to sustain them in the difficult days ahead.

On September 24th & 25th, our Special Projects Collection will be instead taken up for the flood victims in Louisiana.

HEATH FAIR at MATER DOLOROSA

Sunday, October 9, 2016 8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
Sponsored by: San Francisco Lions Club & Fil-Am Lions Club & Gryphon Leos

Psalms: The School of Prayer

We hear the Psalms read or sung at every Mass between the first and second readings, but do we understand their significance? Mater Dolorosa Church in South San Francisco will study Psalms: The School of Prayer. Psalms: The School of Prayer is a video-based study by Jeff Cavin, Sarah Christmeyer, and Dr. Tim Gray. Morning sessions are offered on Saturday mornings, at 9 a.m. and evening sessions on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. For more information or to register please pick up a flyer in vestibule.

SAVE THE DATE—LADIES CLUB BAKE SALE

On Sunday, October 9th following all of the Masses, there will be a Mater Dolorosa Ladies Club Bake Sale. Cakes, cookies, breads, pastries and much more will be on sale. Proceeds from this sale will benefit the Lava Mae program through Most Holy Redeemer Church in San Francisco, which provides showers for the homeless. Buy a treat for your friends and family, and help those in need!

Helping Hands Ministry at Mater Dolorosa

Helping Hands volunteers provide a number of services to our parishioners. Some of those services include: Funeral reception in the parish hall for founding parishioners—set up, clean up, serve and provide coffee and cookies, rides to the doctor, a ride to Mass, and dinner three times per week for first 30 days following hospitalization for those homebound in need. If you are in need of Helping Hands services, please call rectory office and our helpers will contact you.

The Legion of Mary Mater Dolorosa Praesidium invites you to their annual Auxiliary Function Mater Dolorosa Church Foyer September 24, 2016 8:00 a.m.—Followed by Reflections about our Blessed Mother, presented by Rev. Joseph Richard. All Are Welcome!