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MARCH 26, 2017

♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦
Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor
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Mr. Ricardo Carlos, Sacristan
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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 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
Ephesians tells us, by living as "children of the light." Our vocation, then, is to fulfill that enlightenment, that anointing, as sign of our membership in the Body of Christ, the Light from Light. The future king, David, in today’s first reading, is an example of a type of character present throughout the Hebrew scriptures. He is the child born out of place (not the eldest or most favored) who ends up receiving the promise of the covenant. The spirit of God’s anointing rushes upon him. In this way, he is similar to the man born blind from today’s Gospel. David’s family and the blind man’s community did not expect the miraculous grace of God’s love to work through them. Perhaps they, too, were “blinded” by the expectations and assumptions of those around them. Yet, after being touched by God, they both came to “see” the presence of God’s will for them. Both became messengers of God’s will. That same Spirit of God’s anointing rushed upon us at our baptism; we were given a candle as a sign of our membership in the Body of Christ, the Light from Light. Our vocation, then, is to fulfill that enlightenment, that anointing, as Ephesians tells us, by living as “children of the light.”

We mourn the passing of Eileen McHugh, beloved mother of Maria Borovina, who passed from this life to Eternal Life on March 20th. May she rest in God’s Eternal Care.

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.

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

Gibson Alvaro, Rose Elaine Archer-Thompson, Jason Bell, Trude Buntiger, Larry Casey, Lucy Delahoussaye, Phil Dow, John Dresser, Elsa Evangelista, Mel Feliciano, Luz Gozaldez, Victoria Healy, Walter Heim, Barbara Lagomarsino, Joan Lopiccolo, Amy Marston, Walter Marston, Timothy McGrew, Richard Menendez, Nellie Metzger, Aida Palomba, Florentina Quitugua, Archie Sam, Gigi Sam, Maria Luisa Sarra, Laura Skaff, Jim Toomey, Luis Torres and Kit Fong Woo.

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

March 31st is our CFF Family Scripture reflection evening. Please join us at 6pm for a simple meal of soup and bread and scripture reflection on Lazarus followed by the Stations of the Cross in shadows at 7pm. All are WELCOME!

SACRAMENTAL CLASSES: First Communion class (Level 2 & Older Communion class): Eucharist home lesson 2 DUE Mar 28. Confirmation 2 class: Middle school candidates – Presentation of the Stations will be on Mar 31st. SAVE THE DATE: April 1st – 9am-6pm – Spring Retreat at St. Peter’s in Pacifica.

Questions of the Week:

Today's Gospel tells the story of how Jesus healed a man who had been blind from birth. As we listen to this Gospel, imagine what life might have been like for this man. Think about how much he must have appreciated the gift that Jesus gave him. This Gospel story invites us to consider the importance of sight, both physical and spiritual. The blind man is given physical sight, but he is also granted spiritual insight about the person of Jesus. Through Baptism, we are called to walk as children of the light, to live in full knowledge of who Jesus is for us.

How did Jesus use mud to help the man to see? What did Jesus say to the man born blind when he meets him again?

FOOD DRIVE at MATER DOLOROSA

Please support our Confirmation candidates as they lead our parish food drive this Lenten season. All non-perishable food items will go to support the St. Vincent de Paul Mater Dolorosa Conference. A list of non-perishable food items can be found in the vestibule by the CFF table. Collection barrels will be in the vestibule from Mar 5 thru April 2.

Thank you for your generosity!

OUR LENTEN and EASTER SCHEDULE at MATER DOLOROSA

April 9, Palm Sunday
Vigil Mass Saturday, April 8 at 5:00 p.m.
Sunday Masses at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., & 12 Noon
Palms will be blessed at all the Masses (Procession with palms to commemorate Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem, will take place from the school courtyard to the church at the 5:00 p.m., 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 Noon Masses.)

April 10, Parish Penance Service
7:00 p.m.

April 11, Spiritual Recollection Service
7:00 p.m., by Father Gladstone Stevens

April 13, Holy Thursday
Mass of the Lord’s Supper at 7:30 p.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Parish Hall until 11:00 p.m.

April 14, Good Friday
Meditation at 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., by Father Gabriel Wankar
Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion at 2:30 p.m.
Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.
Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion at 7:30 p.m.

April 15, Holy Saturday
Easter Vigil Mass at 8:00 p.m.

April 16, Easter Sunday
Masses at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. (with Children’s Liturgy of the Word), and 12:00 Noon.
NB: (There will be an Easter Egg Hunt for children after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.)

April 23, Divine Mercy Sunday
Vigil Mass - 5:00 p.m.
Masses at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 Noon
Video and light refreshments in the parish hall following Noon Mass. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Prayers - 2:00 p.m.
Reconciliation - 2:00 to 2:50 p.m.
Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 3:00 p.m.

WELCOME HOLY WEEK SPEAKERS

Father Gladstone Stevens will facilitate our Spiritual Recollection Service on April 11th at 7:00 p.m. Fr. Stevens received his Ph.D. in Systematic Theology from Marquette University. He was ordained for the Archdiocese of Louisville in 2000 and has been with the Society of St. Sulpice since 2002. For six years, he taught Systematic Theology and Philosophy at St. Mary’s Seminary & University in Baltimore, Maryland. He now serves as President-Rector at St. Patrick’s Seminary & University in Menlo Park, California.

Fr. Gabriel Wankar, will present the Meditation The Seven Last Words of Jesus on Good Friday on April 14th. He was born and raised in central Nigeria in Africa. He was ordained in 2004 for the Catholic Diocese of Gboko. Since 2011, Fr Gabriel has been in the USA doing graduate studies. He completed his Doctoral studies in Systematic Theology last year, and is currently assigned at Our Lady of the Pillar Parish in Half Moon Bay. Fr Gabriel will turn 39 on May 31, the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary to her cousin Elizabeth.

2017 Confirmation 2 class presents . . . .

Stations of the Cross in Shadows
Please join our Confirmation candidates on Friday, Mar 31st at 7:00 p.m. as we journey with Christ and reflect on the Stations of the Cross.
All are Welcome!