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July 9, 2017

♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦
Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor
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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
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
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 9, 2017

Zechariah 9:9-10; Psalm 145; Romans 8:9, 11-13; Matthew 11:25-30

A HUMBLE KING

Like a tonal center in music, the note to which we keep returning in today’s readings is humility. We wait in joyful expectation for the coming of our Lord as King. But what we are told to expect and rejoice over is a meek and humble king, riding on an ass. Not horses or chariots of the great and mighty, but a humble beast carries the Ruler whose dominion stretches “from the River to the ends of the earth” (Zechariah 9:10). This King comes to banish the tools of the warrior and bring peace. No wonder that a weary world rejoices and gives thanks to God!
CHILD FAITH FORMATION

Opening children to God’s Love – As we share our faith with children, we want them to develop a relationship with God. The best way to develop this relationship is through prayer. When we teach children to pray from their hearts we empower them to be in an ongoing conversation with God that can shape and guide their lives. This can be a source of confidence in the midst of life’s ups and downs. Are you modeling this for your children? Take some a moment and pray with your children today.

Do you have a 1st grader or 8th grader in your home? Now is the time to consider enrolling your incoming 1st grader for the sacrament of First Communion or your 8th Grader for the sacrament of Confirmation. Please note there is a two year preparation requirement for the sacrament of First Communion and Confirmation. 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. 12th. Don’t forget to take your “Passport to Heaven” with you to Mass and take pictures of the churches you visit along the way. Send the pictures to cff@mdssf.org. The children will share their pictures and stories when we have our beginning of the school year Mass in October. To find Mass times while you are traveling, go to www.masstimes.org.

For more information about our Faith Formation Program or any of the CFF events/activities, please contact Felisa Cepeda at 650-588-8175.

Questions of the Week:

When we carry something heavy on our shoulders, we refer to it as a burden. Some burdens are heavier than others. Not all burdens are physical things, however. In this Sunday’s Gospel, Jesus tells us how we can lighten our burden.

What are some examples of the kinds of burdens in life that people carry?

What does Jesus say that we should do if we are burdened?

Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.”

— Matthew 11:28

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Two centuries ago, Archbishop John Carroll worried that Americans would not appreciate the linguistic veil over our worship, and asked that the liturgy in the new United States be in English, not Latin. How did our liturgy come to be in Latin in the first place? In the first century, the dominant language in the regions where the church first flourished was Greek. Today in much of the world, almost everyone speaks at least a bit of English. Recently, the European Union even considered making English its official language, a curious proposal since only two English-speaking countries are members. Just as English is a unifying language today, it was hard to function in the ancient world without a smattering of Greek. Even the word “Eucharist” comes from the Greek for “thanksgiving.” For a long time, Greek was the language of worship, even in Rome. Slowly, society in the west shifted to a bias for Latin and against Greek. Latin first appeared in public prayer at the end of the second century, in the colonial outposts of North Africa. Soon, Latin became the language of culture, and so as fixed prayer forms were written, they were transmitted in Latin. From Rome and Africa, over the next four centuries, the new liturgical language of Latin spread north to Gaul and Britain. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

PLEASE NOTE Collection Change

On the weekend of July 15th & 16th the Archdiocese of San Francisco will be taking a collection to support the mosaic ornamentation of the Trinity Dome, the “crowning jewel” of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. This collection will replace Helping Hands which was scheduled for that weekend.

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Why do Priests Wear a White Collar?

The white collar – or “Roman collar” – dates back to the 15th century when priests placed linen or cotton collars over their outer clothing to be easily distinguished. This evolved into the collar we see on most priests today when wearing their black “clerics.” According to the USCCB, “Outside liturgical functions, a black suit and Roman collar are the usual attire for priests.” When wearing a white collar, it means he’s “on duty” to give blessings, offer counsel, and administer Sacraments. Used with permission. Partners in Faith – Helping our children grow in their Catholic faith.