October 1, 2017

Pastoral Staff
Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor
Rev. Fr. Angel Quitalig, J.C.L., In Residence
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
Ms. Elsa Agasid, Director of Music
Mr. Marlon Evangelista, Associate Director of Music

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. Saturday 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
**TWENTY - SIXTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME**

*October 1, 2017*

Ezekiel 18:25-28; Psalm 25; Philippians 2:1-11; Matthew 21:28-32

**GOD’S WAYS**

In the stream of readings during this portion of Ordinary Time one week’s texts can often appear to pick up exactly where the previous week’s concluded. The sentiments expressed in today’s first reading seem to be a direct reaction to the Gospel passage we heard last week.

In that Gospel, the landowner pays the same wages to his workers whether they worked for a full day or for only a few minutes. Today Ezekiel gives us the lament, “The Lord’s way is not fair!” (Ezekiel 18:25). These Sundays in Ordinary Time offer us a glimpse into the ways of the Lord. We see how God’s way has the tendency to turn the accepted conventions of the day upside down. Those who always expected that their way to heaven was guaranteed are disappointed. Those who thought they never had a chance are given that chance. Today offers us another opportunity to discover the abundance of God’s mercy and love.

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**Mater Dolorosa’s Upcoming Week AT-A-GLANCE**

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**OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE**

**CHILD FAITH FORMATION**
The beginning of the year family meeting is on Tuesday, Oct. 3rd at 6 p.m. in the parish hall. Parents and guardians are required to attend. We will be discussing our new curriculum – Finding God – Our response to God’s gifts. We will not have classes on this day. Child care will be provided.

As a REMINDER: Families with students in grade 4 and above ARE REQUIRED to complete the on-line safety training at WWW.SHIELDTHEVULNERABLE.COM and bring the certificate of completion to class.

For questions about registration or any CFF activity or event please come by and visit the CFF office or call/email.

**Question of the Week:** If our words and our actions do not match, people will not believe that we mean what we say. That’s why we have the expression “actions speak louder than words.” In this Sunday’s Gospel, Jesus tells a story about the relationship between words and actions. Which son do you think the father was more pleased with? Why? Which response would you prefer from someone?

Each Sunday, when we come to Mass, we say what we believe about God’s love for us and how we should love one another. When we leave the church after Mass, it is important that our actions match our words. What kinds of actions would match what we say at Mass?

**Do Not Conform Yourself to This Age**
St Paul tells us, “Do not conform yourself to this age but...discern...what is good and pleasing...”

Since Roe v. Wade, around 60 million innocent children have lost their God-given right to live. An entire class of persons, children in the womb, have been relegated to the status of "chattel", personal property, who can be disposed of by those more powerful than they.

**PRO-LIFE QUOTES:**
“The right to life is the first among human rights.” Pope Francis
“A person is a person no matter how small.” Dr. Seuss
“Abortion is legal because babies can’t vote.” Joseph Bonkowski
“All that is required for evil to triumph is for good people to do nothing.” Edmund Burke

**OCTOBER is ROSARY MONTH**
Since the month of October is devoted to the Holy Rosary, we are inviting everyone to join us in praying and meditating on the mysteries of the Holy Rosary after the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on all the weekends of October (Saturday Vigil Masses and Sunday). This will be a tremendous opportunity for families of our parish community to come together in prayer that Our Lady herself had requested at Fatima.

**FREE HEALTH FAIR AT MATER DOLOROSA**
Sunday, October 8, 2017
8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

- Blood Pressure Check
- BMI Check
- Chiropractic Check
- Cholesterol Check
- Dental Consult
- Diabetes Awareness
- Vision Screening

Sponsored by: San Francisco Host Lions Club

**OCTOBER is Respect Life Month** but in reality each day is respect life for all lives which includes the unborn child in the womb of the mother for the whole nine months. In the foyer of M.D. you will see a beautiful poster of the “Madonna and Child” and the “Mother of Life” prayer next to it. Our Blessed Mother is a pure example of never even thinking to abort her child Jesus even though she had to endure so much suffering. "Only God is the Author of Life and Death". To be Catholic is to be pro-life without any compromising on abortion or euthanasia. *James and Eleanor Rivera*