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December 17, 2017

♦ PASTORAL STAFF ♦  
Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor  
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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. Sunday at 5:00 p.m.  
Every Sunday: Children’s Liturgy of the Word, 10:00 am Mass.

♦ 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
Third Sunday of Advent

December 17, 2017


REJOICE

Isaiah proclaims truly good news to us! God’s coming brings not sadness, guilt, fear, wrath, or condemnation. No, God’s coming is a source of comfort and joy. Saying it once is not enough, for today’s readings are full of joy. Mary’s Magnificat substitutes for our psalm today, and our second reading encourages us to rejoice, to give thanks and praise. This is the root meaning of the Greek word for Eucharist. We are urged to rejoice and give thanks, because the coming of the Lord brings joy, healing, liberty, release, vindication. It makes the very earth spring up with new life! Good tidings!

Mater Dolorosa’s Upcoming Week AT-A-GLANCE

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<td>Sat. Dec. 16</td>
<td>Bible Study, Legion of Mary Family Presidium, Simbang Gabi</td>
<td>9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Sun. Dec. 17</td>
<td>Children’s Liturgy of the Word, Hospitality: Legion of Mary, Simbang Gabi</td>
<td>10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 200 p.m., 300 p.m., 500 p.m., 600 p.m., 600 p.m., 7:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Mon. Dec. 18</td>
<td>Latin Mass, Zumba Class, Simbang Gabi</td>
<td>12:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Tue. Dec. 19</td>
<td>Latin Mass, No CFF Classes</td>
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<td>Wed. Dec. 20</td>
<td>Legion of Mary, Latin Mass, Simbang Gabi</td>
<td>8:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Thu. Dec. 21</td>
<td>Morning Hospitality, Latin Mass, COSJ Music Practice, Bible Study, Mater Dolorosa Choir, Simbang Gabi</td>
<td>8:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 300 p.m., 7:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Fri. Dec. 22</td>
<td>Latin Mass, COSJ Choir, Simbang Gabi</td>
<td>12:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m.</td>
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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.

COLLECTIONS

For 12/10/2017

First Collection $ 5,257.00
Immaculate Conception $ 1,849.00
Retired Religious $ 2,080.00

Our Collection this Sunday is for Parish Maintenance & Improvement

Our Second Collection next Sunday is for Our Helping Hands Fund

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

Please keep all those who are sick in our parish family in your prayers, especially:
Rose Elaine Archer-Thompson, Jason Bell, Trude Buntger, Lucy Delahoussaye, Phil Dow, Mary Dunleavy, Elsa Evangelista, Mel Feliciano, Luz Gomez, Walter Heim, Barbara Lagomarsino, Amy Marston, Walter Marston, Timothy McGrew, Richard Menendez, Karen Ramirez, Robert Reid, Archie Sam, Gigi Sam, Maria Luisa Sarra, Laura Skaff, Jim Toomey, Luis Torres, Kit Fong Woo and Donald Wood.

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All CFF classes are officially on Christmas break. Classes will resume on Jan 09, 2018.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CLASSES REMINDERS
Older Communion Sunday classes: Classes resume Jan 7, 2018.
Confirmation 1 families: Advent Reflections – Please read the Advent little blue book and write your reflections each week. Due Jan 9th when we resume classes.
Confirmation 2 class: Dec 19. Advent Service Project - Sock drive 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Will earn Service hrs. Please read the Advent little blue book and write your reflections each week. Due Jan 9th.

Question of the Week
To help people understand who he was and the message he wanted to communicate, John the Baptist quoted from the prophet Isaiah. Then he spoke about the greatness of one who would come after him. John the Baptist preached and baptized so that people would recognize Jesus, the Son of God, and believe in him. This Sunday’s Gospel helps us to know more about John the Baptist, the message he proclaimed, and the witness he gave to Jesus.

What was John the Baptist’s reply when asked, “Who are you?”

Celebrate Epiphany with the Three Kings
Bring a Gift for Baby Jesus
Baby items will be collected on Jan 6 & 7. This collection will benefit The Gabriel Project. The Gabriel Project is a parish based organization sponsored by the Archdiocese of San Francisco which serves pregnant women and their unborn babies. To find out more about The Gabriel Project, please visit their website: https://sfgabrielproject.wordpress.com/

Sign up to bring the birth of Jesus to life!
We are in need of children and youth to bring to life these roles: MARY, JOSEPH, ANGELS, SHEPHERDS, THREE WISE MEN, and MANGER ANIMALS (SHEEP, COWS & MULES). Dec. 24th - 5:00pm Christmas Eve Mass (children’s Mass) - sign-up sheet is in the vestibule of the Church.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL Felisa Cepeda 650-588-8175.

Poinsettias for our Church
Poinsettias are needed to decorate our church’s altar. If you would like to donate a poinsettia please bring them to the church when it is open, or drop off at the rectory office. Thank you!

Our Giving Tree at Mater Dolorosa
Our Christmas Giving Tree is up in the vestibule of the church through December 25th. We would like you to purchase gift cards, rather than gifts, for the needy families in our parish community. Please pick up an "ornament" tag that indicates purchasing a $10.00 gift card. You may bring them to the rectory, or drop them off in the Sunday collection basket. The members of the Society of St. Vincent De Paul thank you for your ongoing generosity and support!

New Appliances for our Parish Kitchen
We thank the Christmas Bingo Luncheon volunteers, the Mater Dolorosa Ladies Club, and several of the young people of our parish, for their efforts to host another fun-filled luncheon. We enjoyed a delicious lunch, Bingo games and many prizes. Although this event is not necessarily a fund-raiser, enough money was donated to make it possible for us to purchase a new microwave oven, a toaster oven and a toaster for the parish hall kitchen to be used by all. We thank everyone involved for their hard work!