

Welcome Message: *SISTER TERESITA CAPURIHAN, SPC Principal*

Dear Parents and Friends,

## **Welcome to Mater Dolorosa!**

**Mater Dolorosa School warmly welcomes you and your child/children. We are very fortunate to have you with us as members of our school community.**

**We assure you that your child/children will be provided with safe and caring environment. The school offers the best and excellent education that is holistically developed. The preferred learning styles of students are considered in their academic development.**

**We offer children the opportunity to learn and grow in a rich environment that promotes self-confidence, social competence, spiritual transformation and a lifetime love of learning. Our programs integrate the moral values necessary for life-long learning.**

**Learning is organized based on the developmental needs of each child. Varied strategies are employed to maximize students' involvement in learning and studying. Creative formation of the Heart, Head and Hands are given utmost preference. Yes, we believe that the Heart brings life for each one to love and care, the Head gives direction in ones life in making good choices for life, while the Hands offer creative ways in expressing a loving tender care to people around. In an early age, children are challenged to be at their best and attain personal level of excellence and self-confidence.**

**I hope you will derive much interest in enrolling your child/children at Mater Dolorosa School. On behalf of the entire faculty & staff, I would like to convey our prayerful wishes.**

**May our Lady of Sorrow continue to grace our school community with Peace Love and Unity among and within us. God bless you.**

**Sincerely,**

**Sister Dr. Teresita Capurihan, SPC  
Principal**

# MATER DOLOROSA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

**40 years of molding Hands that serve and care, Hearts that love, and Minds that create good choices and judgment for life.**

## **MISSION:**

- Catholic Education
- Academic Excellence
- Well-integrated value and religious formation
- Enhanced Co-curricular Programs
- Life-long learning experiences through the Bible and teachings of the Church
- Safe and Caring environment

## **PHILOSOPHY**

We believe that students:

- can successfully develop all their potentials, talents and abilities with exposures to the real-life situations in an ever changing world
- work best in a safe , secure and caring environment.
- achieve their greatest potential when recognized and supported with a wide variety of both traditional and innovative resources.
- Use the **Hands that serve and care, Hearts that love, and Minds that create good choices and judgment in life.**

We believe that administrators and staff:

- work in collaboration with the home, school, and community
- strive to meet the individual needs of each child.
- implement best practice instructional strategies and continuously look at current trend in education
- support the total well-being of the child by providing an excellent educational processes and experiences

## **CURRICULUM**

Mater Dolorosa serves students in full-day program from kindergarten through grade 8. The instructional program for elementary students includes:

- Religion
- Mathematics
- Social Studies
- Science & Health
- Language Arts (Reading, Writing, Spelling, Listening, Speaking)
- Computer Technology
- Music & Art
- Physical Education

The Gospel values are well integrated in all the subject areas. The most essential aspect of our curriculum is balanced with the teachings of the Catholic faith as a way of life.

Program offered from Kindergarten through fifth grades are taught in a self-contained approach, focusing on reading, writing and solving problems, with the emphasis on the inter and intra relationships based on Christ teachings.

Program for grades 6-8 is departmentalized, with the emphasis on the higher level of mastering basic skills in writing, reading, and reasoning, analyzing and responding to the challenges confronting them, thus essential for success in the secondary school setting.

## **CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

- **EXTENDED CARE**
- **CLUBS**
  - **MARIANNETTES - students** model their values and attitudes like Blessed Mother.
  - **HomeMakers** - learning to find ways on how to make a Home.
  - **Ecology** - knowing how to contribute in building and safeguarding the planet earth.
  - **BookLovers** -find out the different styles of writing and library works.
  - **MathMasters** - learning advanced mathematical processes.
  - **School Choir** - actively participate in Parish & other programs in and out of the school and develop their God given talents.
- **SPORTS PROGRAM** - develops sportsmanship, competitiveness and teamwork among and within the community. It includes basketball and volleyball.
- **COMPUTER EDUCATION**
- **MUSICAL CONCERTS**

## **OTHER OFFERINGS:**

- Student Council
- In-house Hot Lunch
- Piano Lesson offered after school
- Altar Serving

## **OUTSTANDING OPPORTUNITIES:**

- **small student-teacher ratio**
- **graduates attend to prestigious high school**
- **Accredited: WASC**
- **Hands-on Learning: Visiting Places, Cooperative Learning**
- **Safe and Family Oriented Environment**
- **Free tutorial Lesson (schedule with Teachers)**