

MATER DOLOROSA CHURCH

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Monday—Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

◆ PASTORAL STAFF ◆

Reverend Brian Costello, Pastor
Very Reverend C. Michael Padazinski, J.C.D., in Residence
Deacon Alex Aragon
Mrs. Frances Lidwell, Parish Manager
Mrs. Rachael Smit, Director of Religious Education
Ms. Diana Powell, Director of RCIA
Mr. Francis Cianciolo, Sacristan
Mrs. Angelita Pasamba, Choir Director

◆ MASS SCHEDULE ◆

Saturday Evening: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., & 12:00 Noon
First Sunday: Traditional Latin Mass at 6:30 p.m.
Daily: 8:00 a.m.
Holy Days: 8:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon, 7:30 p.m.
First Fridays: All day Adoration:
8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Benediction: 7:30 p.m.
Reconciliation: Saturday 4:15—4:45 p.m.

◆ BAPTISM ◆

Parents are expected to be registered and practicing Catholics witnessing to their faith by regular attendance at Mass. Parents should contact the rectory at least three months prior to the desired date of 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 reception of the Sacrament. In most cases, this sacrament is celebrated in Second Grade.

◆ CONFIRMATION ◆

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◆ RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ◆

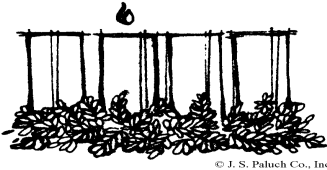
C.F.F.—Child Faith Formation. Programs nurturing children's growth and forming their baptismal faith from Grade 1 to Grade 9. Classes are on Tuesday afternoons and evenings beginning in September.

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



THE THEME OF THE LITURGY:

*Abound in love for one another
and for all.*

First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are coming when the Lord will fulfill the promise made to Israel and Judah.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

May the Lord make you increase and abound in love that you may be blameless in holiness; conduct yourselves so as to please God.

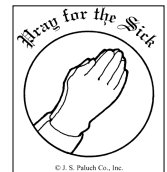
Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

There will be signs and you will see the Son of Man coming with power and great glory. Be vigilant.

FIRST SUNDAY of ADVENT

*To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.
Psalm 25*

Please keep all those who are sick in our parish family in your prayers, especially : Cliff Chase, Tony DeCesare, Patrick & Kathleen Dunleavy, Dawn Hassinger, Dorothy Lake, Olga Montoya, Helen Minotti, Jack Pacheco, Marlo Taguas, and Mary Katherine Thompson.



**OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH THEM,
and those who care for them.**

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS/BINGO LUNCHEON



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5TH
DOORS OPEN at 11:30
SIT DOWN LUNCHEON at 12:30
BINGO & RAFFLE FOR PRIZES

ADULTS \$15.00 - CHILDREN UNDER 12 \$7.50

*Please bring an inexpensive (approximately \$5.00)
UNWRAPPED good neighbor gift for
the gift table.*

Call for Reservations:

Terry Keller at 650 583-3385
Sande Chan at 650 872-3816

DAY	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS For the coming week: Nov. 29 — Dec. 5	PRIEST
SUN	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Frank Alioto (D) Dalton Delahoussaye (D) People of the Parish	DT DT DT
MON	8:00 a.m.	Brenda Mullally (D)	BC
TUES	8:00 a.m.	John Duran (D)	MP
WED	8:00 a.m.	Mary McGuire (D)	BC
THUR	10:00 a.m.	Jose Mari Valencia (D)	BC
FRI	8:00 a.m.	Deceased Members of the Uccelli Family	BC
SAT	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Vocations John Duran (D)	BC BC

Tickets On Sale Now in the Rectory Office for . . .

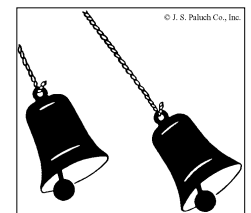
A CHRISTMAS TO REMEMBER

Presented by:

*The Mater Dolorosa Hallelujah Chorale
& Cherubim*

*Friday, December 11, 2009
Saturday, December 12, 2009
7:30 p.m.*

*Tickets—\$10.00 in Advance
15.00 at the Door*



Dear Friends,

We call the days and nights before Christmas Advent, which means “coming.” The Church reads and sings about God’s promises. We tell the story of many holy people: Mary and John the Baptist, Nicholas and Lucy. We strive for the time when God’s love will be seen in all of us, when peace will come through people’s acts of justice and love for each other. But, primarily, we wait. We wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ, when all will be one, and the Kingdom of God will flourish! The Son of God already came to us, born in the city of David. This is what we celebrate at Christmas, and in Advent we ready ourselves and our hearts for this birth. But, we also wait for His coming again. We pray in the Creed each Sunday: “He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead.” And so we wait for His Light to completely extinguish our darkness.

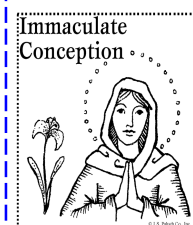
I pray, on this First Sunday of Advent, that all of us, in our own way, do something during this period of waiting, to prepare for His coming.

Happy Advent!

Father Brian

HELPING HANDS at MATER DOLOROSA

Our Helping Hands Fund, which is taken up once a month as a second collection, is generally used for our parishioners who have a funeral, wedding, or a baptism here at Mater Dolorosa. During this holiday season, we would like to offer help to any of our parishioners who may need it with groceries, paying for a prescription, transportation for a doctor visit, or any special need that may come up for those who find it difficult to make ends meet this month or next. Please contact Father Brian or Fran at the Rectory Office if you are a Mater Dolorosa parishioner, and are in need of a little “helping hand” this season.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Immaculate Conception is on Tuesday, December 8th and is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Mass schedule is 8:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

SIMBANG GAGI at MATER DOLOROSA

Have you read or heard the Old Testament and Gospel readings leading to the story of the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ? By attending the “Advent Evening Masses” (Simbang Gabi) for 9 days, you will hear these Bible stories and Christmas Carols. The spiritual significance of the Incarnation will remind us the **real reason for the season**. The Masses will be from December 15th through the 23rd at 7:00 p.m. (except December 19th, the time will be 5:00 p.m.)

Our theme from Ephesians 4:4-6: *One body and one Spirit, as you were called to the one hope of your call: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all in all.*

For more information, please contact Deacon Alex Aragon at Deaconalex@comcast.net.

UPCOMING EVENTS at MATER DOLOROSA

Saturday, December 5th:

Annual Christmas Bingo Luncheon at 11:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 6th:

A visit from St. Nick at the 10:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, December 8th:

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Mass times: 8:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 10:

Staff/Volunteer Christmas Thank-you Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Friday & Saturday, December 11th & 12th:

Annual Christmas Concert with the Alleluia Choir at 7:30 p.m.

Monday, December 14:

Advent Reconciliation Service at St. Veronica’s Church at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 15 to Wednesday, December 23rd:

Simbang Gabi Mass Every Evening at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 19:

Youth Mass at 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 24:

Caroling Begins at 4:30 with Mass at 5:00 p.m.

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Friday, December 25:

Masses at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., & 12:00 Noon

Thursday, December 31:

Pot Luck Gathering at 10:30 p.m. followed by Mass at 12:15 a.m.

Friday, January 1:

Masses at 12:15 a.m., 8:00 a.m. & 12:00 Noon