

MATER DOLOROSA CHURCH

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California 94080-1446

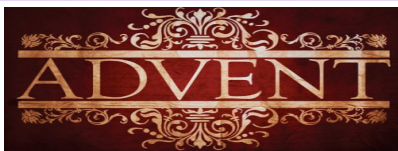
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Rectory Office Hours:

Monday—Friday
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
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◆ PASTORAL STAFF ◆

Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor
Rev. Msgr. C. Michael Padazinski, J.C.D., In Residence
Rev. Fr. Vito Perrone, C.O.S.J., Weekend Assistant
Rev. Mr. Alex Aragon, Permanent Deacon
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 5:30 p.m.
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.
Reconciliation: Saturday 4:15—4:45 p.m.

◆ 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 ◆

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◆ RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ◆

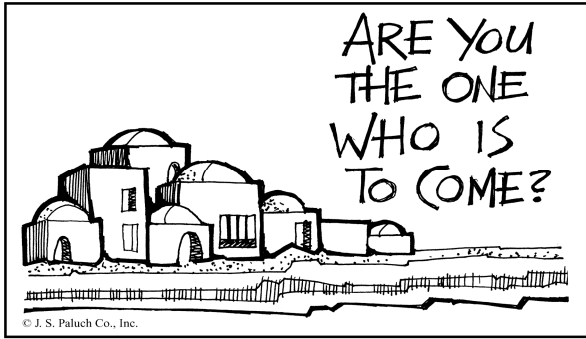
C.F.F.—Child Faith Formation. Programs nurturing children's growth and forming their baptismal faith from Grade 1 to Grade 9. Classes are on Tuesday afternoons and evenings beginning in September.

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:
God's saving work is in our midst.

First Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

The barren deserts will rejoice and flower. Tired bodies will receive strength. Aching hearts will be made glad.

Second Reading: James 5:7-10

Be patient, for the coming of the Lord is as sure as the rain.

Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

Tell of what you hear and see: The blind regain their vision, the crippled their movement, the deaf their hearing. The dead are raised to new life!

HELPING HANDS

Our Helping Hands Fund at Mater Dolorosa serves many purposes. During the Christmas season, we try to help those families who find that they need a little help making ends meet. If you know of anyone who is in need of a grocery card, or help with a heating bill, please contact the Rectory Office. Last year we provided Safeway gift cards to two families and distributed them to the homeless.

Your suggestions are most welcome.



Please keep all those who are sick in our parish family in your prayers, especially: Cliff Chase, Cathy Duran, Sam Lake, Helen Minotti, Dorothy Pruett, Lelia Rubina de Torres, and Barbara Wiggs.

Please pray for the sick and homebound of our community. May they know the healing touch of Jesus.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Lord, come and save us.

Psalm 146

Weekly Offering

December 5, 2010

First Collection \$ 5,652.00
 CFF \$ 1,276.00

Our Second Collection this Sunday is for Retirement Fund for Religious.
 Our Second Collection next Sunday is for our Parish Improvement Fund.

Thank you for your continued support!

DAY	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS For the coming week: Dec. 12— Dec. 18th	PRIEST
SUN	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	People of the Parish Kathleen Dunleavy (D) Tomas Grivas (D)	MP RD JH
MON	8:00 a.m.	Julio Joson (D)	MP
TUE	8:00 a.m.	Lupe Rodriguez (L)	RD
WED	8:00 a.m.	Legion of Mary	RD
THU	8:00 a.m.	Betty Flynn (D)	MP
FRI	8:00 a.m.	Jorge Grivas (D)	RD
SAT	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Emily Smith (D) Sponsors of Simbang Gabi	RD JP

**Simbang Gabi
at Mater Dolorosa**

Simbang Gabi will take place at Mater Dolorosa beginning on December 15th through the 23rd. Please join us for Mass on these nights and the fellowship that follows, to prepare for the coming of

Mater Dolorosa welcomes **Cristal Borge** and **Heidi Love** as Catechumens in our RCIA. Please pray for them on their journey to the Easter Sacraments, as they begin their study of the Gospels.

Dear Friends,

The Annual Christmas Bingo Luncheon was a big success, and was enjoyed by over 130 guests! There were many people who worked hard and volunteered their time, talents and treasures to make it possible; too many to list individually. It is with appreciation that I thank all those who compiled the reservations and handled the table assignments, those who decorated, purchased desserts and beverages, served at the bar, worked with the caterer, served the food, donated goods for gifts, made sure there was good sound and music, organized the raffle, helped with the Bingo game, coordinated the Youth Group volunteers, and cleaned up. Even Santa Claus had a good time. The efforts of those who organized, gave their time and energy, and donated prizes paid off in a very enjoyable day and kept the tradition of this annual event going for many generations to enjoy.

Merry Christmas,
Father Roland

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/CFF

All are invited to the **Las Posadas** celebration this Tuesday, December 14th in the parish hall at 5:30 p.m. There will be 3:45 p.m. classes that day, and then we will have the Christmas party and the Las Posadas celebration with the 6:00 p.m. class.

Get involved and sign up for the **Christmas Pageant!** The Pageant will be on Dec. 18th during the hospitality following the 5:00 p.m. Mass, and on Dec. 24th at the Children’s Mass at 5:00 p.m. Costumes will be provided. The sign up sheet is in the CFF school lobby.

There will be a Children’s Liturgy of the Word on Dec. 19th.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

***What is Jesus’ good news?
How can you be good news to someone?***



**“MINI” CHRISTMAS
CONCERT
CHRISTMAS EVE**

DECEMBER 24TH at 9:00 P.M.

Everyone is invited to a free mini-concert of Christmas favorites to be presented by the Mater Dolorosa Ministry at 9:00 p.m., Friday, December 24th as a prelude to the Christmas Eve Midnight Mass. The program will include a select assortment of classical and popular songs of the season, featuring choral, solo, ensemble and instrumental pieces to be performed by the Hallelujah Chorale and Children’s Choir, with musical direction by Mrs. Angie Pasamba. Come, listen, sing and celebrate with us at this youthful climax to our preparation for the birth of our Lord!

MATER DOLOROSA’S GIVING TREE

Our Christmas Giving Tree is up in the vestibule of the church through December 24th. We would like you to purchase Target gift cards, rather than gifts, for the needy families in our parish community. Please pick an “ornament” tag that indicates purchasing a \$10.00 Target 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 generosity and support!

POINSETTIAS FOR OUR ALTAR

You may drop off poinsettias for the altar at the rectory office, or use the contribution envelopes that can be found in the vestibule and the pews, to grace our altar during the Christmas season. Thank you.

No Ballroom Dancing during the Christmas holidays—the program will resume on January 5, 2011.

MATER DOLOROSA’S UPCOMING WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

Sunday, December 12th	Children’s Liturgy of the Word Youth Group Meeting—Rm. 2	10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
Monday, December 13th	RCIA Deanery Advent Service—at St. Dunstan’s	7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, December 14th	Second Harvest Brown Bag Distribution CFF Classes Celebration of Las Posadas	9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 3:45 AND 6:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, December 15th	Legion of Mary Simbang Gabi	8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, December 16th	Simbang Gabi	7:00 p.m.
Friday, December 17th	Simbang Gabi	7:00 p.m.
Saturday, December 18th	Youth Practice Simbang Gabi Christmas Pageant	3:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.