

# MATER DOLOROSA CHURCH

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## December 1, 2013



### ◆ PASTORAL STAFF ◆

Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor  
Rev. Msgr. John R. Pernia, In Residence  
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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  
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. &  
Eucharistic Adoration 6:00—7:00 p.m.  
Healing Mass at 7:00 p.m.  
Reconciliation: Saturday 4:15—4:45 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

# FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 1, 2013

Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122;  
Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44

## GETTING READY

Today marks the beginning of another liturgical year. The tone of today's readings casts us in the role of students learning solemn lessons. The reading from Isaiah sets the stage, calling us up a mountain to receive the Lord's instruction. In this passage we study peace.



Matthew presents Jesus the storyteller. Just imagine, Jesus tells us, what it was like in Noah's time. He paints a vivid picture of ordinary people living ordinary lives and ignoring the warnings that Noah heeded. Totally unconcerned, they were destroyed. How will it be any different for us? No one knows when the Lord will come. But we have been warned.

Perhaps we find such sobering scriptures unappealing and threatening. But within them there is promise. We are to live in the light with nothing to hide. We are to be ready.

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## Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Immaculate Conception of Mary on December 8, is not a Holy Day of Obligation because it falls on a Sunday. It is celebrated on the following day, **Monday, December 9th.**



DAY	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS: Dec. 2 — Dec. 8	PRIEST
<b>MON</b> Dec. 2	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<i>Mr. Puccini (D)</i>	<b>AQ</b>
TUE Dec. 3	8:00 a.m.	<i>Monica Rodriguez (D)</i>	RD
<b>WED</b> Dec. 4	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<i>Edelwiza Nunez (D)</i>	<b>JP</b>
THU Dec. 5	8:00 a.m.	<i>Aida Palomba (L)</i>	AQ
<b>FRI</b> Dec. 6	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> <b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<i>Helen Minotti (D)</i> <i>Priest's Intention</i>	<b>RD</b> <b>VP</b>
SAT Dec. 7	8:00 a.m.	<i>Virginia Galeon (D)</i> <i>Julieta Gonzales (D)</i> <i>Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary (D)</i>	JP
	500 p.m.	<i>Inez Gatt (D)</i>	VP
<b>SUN</b> Dec. 8	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> <b>10:00 a.m.</b> <b>12:00 p.m.</b>	<i>D.J. &amp; Lucy Molina (D)</i> <i>Carlos Dabu (D)</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>	<b>AQ</b> <b>JP</b> <b>RD</b>

## COLLECTIONS

For November 24, 2013

Due to holiday bulletin deadlines, contribution totals will be published in an upcoming bulletin.



Our Second Collection this Sunday is for our Special Projects Fund.

Our Second Collection for next Sunday is for Retirement for Religious.

*Thank you for your generous donations towards the continued support of your church.*

*Your weekly donations are greatly appreciated!*

**Please keep all those who are sick in our parish family in your prayers, especially:**

*Rose Elaine Archer-Thompson, Trude Buntger, Jacinto Cabillo, Emeliana P. Cariaga Shirley Cotton, Lucy Delahoussaye, John Dresser, Rosie Fanese, Luz Gopez, Amy Marston, Walter Marston, Nellie Metzger, Eileen McHugh, Mary Anne C. Padilla, Angelita Pasamba, Manuel P. Paat, Dorothy Pruett, Eleanora Rivera, Wayne Rosaia, Maria Luisa Sarra, Susan Thomas, Luis Torres and Tony Yee.*

*Please pray that they find comfort and healing in Jesus Christ, our Divine Healer.*



## MATER DOLOROSA'S UPCOMING WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

Mon. Dec. 2	RCIA	7:00 p.m.
<b>Tues. Dec. 3</b>	<b>Second Harvest Food Bank</b> <b>Kids Now Program</b> <b>CFF Classes</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b> <b>10:00 a.m.</b> <b>3:45—8:15 p.m.</b>
Wed. Dec. 4	Legion of Mary Baptism Class Ballroom Dancing	8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
<b>Thurs. Dec. 5</b>	<b>MD Ladies Club Dinner</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>
Fri. Dec. 6	Eucharistic Adoration Benediction COSJ Practice Christmas Lunch Set-Up Eucharistic Adoration Choir Practice Healing Mass	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 2:30 p.m. 3:00—6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
<b>Sat. Dec. 7</b>	<b>Christmas Bingo Luncheon</b> <b>Legion of Mary</b> <b>Family Presidium</b>	<b>11:30 a.m.</b> <b>7:00 p.m.</b>
Sun. Dec. 8	Hospitality by: The Hospitality Ministry Youth Group Meeting Knights of Columbus San Pedro Calungsod	11:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m.

## CHILD FAITH FORMATION



The CFF classes resume this coming Tuesday, Dec. 3rd. Confirmation I and First Communicant students are required to attend their mini-retreat about "Jesus' Story" on Saturday, Dec. 7th, 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the school. There will be a "Rite of Welcome" for our first communicants at the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

The Faith Formation families are hosting a baby shower to the Blessed Mother and baby Jesus on Dec. 7th after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. There will be a Christmas Pageant, caroling, simple entertainment and potluck food. Please bring the baby infant a gift. Donations will be given to the Gabriel Project, serving mothers and children in need from San Mateo, Marin & San Francisco counties of the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Everyone is invited. Please bring a dish to share.

There will be Children's Liturgy of the Word on Dec. 15 and Jan. 5 at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. All children from kindergarten to grade 4 are invited! Older children must stay in the church with their families during the Mass.

### Question of the Week:

#### Lower Level:

*In what ways can we be ready for Jesus' coming at Christmas?*

#### Higher Level

*How can people be ready for Jesus' Second Coming?  
How does Jesus' birth change the world?*



## SAVE THE DATES

Mass for Our Lady of Guadalupe  
December 10th at 7:00 p.m.



Las Posadas  
December 11th at 6:00 p.m.

## POINSETTIAS FOR OUR ALTAR

If you would like to make a donation of poinsettias, you may drop them off at the Rectory Office between now and December 24th. The Altar Society will place them decoratively around the altar for the Christmas season.



## THE GIVING TREE

Our Christmas Giving Tree is up in the vestibule of the church through December 25th. We would like you to purchase Target 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 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 ongoing generosity and support!



## CHRISTMAS BINGO LUNCHEON! SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7TH

Doors Open at 11:30 a.m. - Lunch Served at 12:00 p.m.  
To make your reservations please call Sandee Chan at 650-872-3816 or Terry Keller at 650-583-3385. Please bring a nice, wrapped "Good Neighbor" gift valued at \$5.00 or more. There will be a delicious luncheon, electronic Bingo, and a raffle. Tickets are \$20.00 per person and they sell fast! Make your reservations today.

We welcome the following children into our Catholic community through the Holy Sacrament of Baptism:

*Achilles Agbayani  
Feliciano Diaz  
Julianna Reyes  
Cara Joy Sablan  
Sophia Sandoval  
Leah Soliman*

May God bless them, their Godparents and their families.

## Simbang Gabi at Mater Dolorosa



Let us heighten our spiritual preparation for Christmas and join us for the nightly Simbang Gabi Masses starting on Dec. 15th to Dec. 23rd at 7 PM, (except on Sat., Dec. 21st when it will be at 5 PM.) If you would like to a sponsor a Mass or a

hospitality, please call Nenar at 650-218-8175 or email [mdsimbanggabi@gmail.com](mailto:mdsimbanggabi@gmail.com).

## Mater Dolorosa Ladies Club

The Mater Dolorosa Ladies Club baked and purchased goodies for the program at Most Holy Redeemer Church which feeds the needy every Wednesday. The event was this year's charity project for the Ladies Club. The dessert items were individually wrapped and delivered to the church in time for the dinner on Wednesday, November 20th. We're happy to say we even had donations from people who are not members of the club. A big thank you to all who shopped, baked, and delivered the donations.



Our next meeting will be on Thursday, January 9, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the school library. We will be electing new officers and planning for the next 6 months. Please consider joining us for fun and friendship!