

# MATER DOLOROSA CHURCH

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## December 8, 2013



### ◆ PASTORAL STAFF ◆

Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor  
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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  
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

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 8, 2013

Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72;  
Romans 15:4-9; Matthew 3:1-12



The Kingdom of Heaven Is at Hand.

### WONDERS

The normal response to a surprise is amazement, gratitude, and delight. By definition, we don't anticipate surprises. Their occurrence reminds us that we cannot always guess or shape the future. Granted, we do what we can do; we attend to the daily tasks, as we must. For grace is surely here in the mundane, and God is in the details. But God is in the happy surprises, too.

Today's readings are filled with startling developments. We hear the clarion cry of one of those rare prophets announcing the coming of the Lord. Isaiah proclaims startling, surprising images of the nearly impossible reconciliation of opposites: calf and lion, leopard and young goat, child and serpent. Isaiah's vision sees all of these creatures living in harmony. This is Eden again; this is paradise. It is God's surprise and promise.

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### THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS



We thank all those who donated clothing, blankets, shoes and canned foods to be sent to the Philippines for those who are in need following the typhoon. All together, we collected 39 boxes of goods! Your kindness and generosity to those who have lost so much, is greatly appreciated.

DAY	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS: Dec. 9 — Dec. 15	PRIEST
MON Dec. 9	8:00 a.m.	Mark Ramirez (L)	RD
TUE Dec. 10	8:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Mr. Puccini (D) People's Intentions	AQ RD
WED Dec. 11	8:00 a.m.	Elsa Evangelista (L)	AQ
THU Dec. 12	8:00 a.m.	Kathleen Dunleavy (D)	JP
FRI Dec. 13	8:00 a.m.	Jose Arboleda, Jr. (D)	JP
SAT Dec. 14	8:00 a.m.  500 p.m.	Espeianza Salvador (D) Raul Cruz Maralo (D) Eduardo Jardonero (D) Nicole Apana (L)  People of the Parish (D)	RD AQ
SUN Dec. 15	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Karen Ramirez (L) Jason Ong (D) Wayne Rosaia (L) Simbang Gabi Intention	JP AQ RD JP

## COLLECTIONS

For November 24, 2013

First Collection	\$ 5,781.00
Human Development	\$ 2,014.00
Thanksgiving	\$ 2,930.00
Additional Typhoon	\$ 300.00

We thank the members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society for designating the Thanksgiving collection to the victims of the typhoon in the Philippines.

For December 1, 2013

First Collection	\$ 4,988.00
Special Projects	\$ 1,915.00

Our Second Collection this Sunday is for our Retirement for Religious.

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

*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, 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. 9	RCIA	7:00 p.m.
Tues. Dec. 10	Second Harvest Food Bank Kids Now Program Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Dec. 11	Legion of Mary Las Posadas	8:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.
Fri. Dec. 13	COSJ Practice Choir Practice	2:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Sat. Dec. 14	Legion of Mary Family Presidium	7:00 p.m.
Sun. Dec. 15	Children's Liturgy of the Word Hospitality by: The Legion of Mary Youth Group Meeting Simbang Gabi	10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.

## CHILD FAITH FORMATION



Thank you to all who participated and contributed to the Faith Formation Advent/Christmas Celebration. The Confirmation II students are expected to participate in the Annual Christmas Caroling to the patients of Missionaries of Charity Gift of Love Home in Pacifica on Dec. 13th at 3:30 p.m. Parents or guardians are invited too. The CFF classes are on Christmas break. Regular classes will resume on January 7th. Please have the students complete the on-line training in [www.shieldthevulnerable.org](http://www.shieldthevulnerable.org) for the applicable grade level and submit the certificate of completion.

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:

*How will the one who comes after John the Baptist be different from him?*

#### Higher Level

*What change of heart does John the Baptist want people to make?*



### Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Immaculate Conception of Mary is celebrated on **Monday, December 9th.**

### 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!



### Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass

December 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m.

### Traditional Las Posadas

December 11<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m.

### Simbang Gabi Masses

December 15<sup>th</sup> through December 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

(Except December 21<sup>st</sup> Mass at 5:00 p.m.)

December 23<sup>rd</sup> - Pot Luck Dinner



### Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve, December 24<sup>th</sup>

5:00 p.m. - Annual Children's Pageant

9:30 p.m. Christmas Caroling (Hallelujah Chorale)

10:00 p.m. (Midnight Mass)

Christmas Day, December 25<sup>th</sup>

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

### New Year's Eve, December 31<sup>st</sup>

10:00 p.m. (Midnight Mass)

### New Year's Day, January 1<sup>st</sup>

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Holy Day of Obligation

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.



### 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 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



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!