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**September 14, 2014**



◆ PASTORAL STAFF ◆

Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor  
Rev. Msgr. John R. Pernia, In Residence  
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Rev. Fr. Vito Perrone, C.O.S.J., Weekend Assistant  
Rev. Mr. Alex Aragon, Permanent Deacon  
Rev. Mr. Romeo Cruz, Permanent Deacon  
Mrs. Frances Lidwell, Parish Manager  
Mrs. Felisa Cepeda, 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.  
Saturday 4:15—4:45 p.m.  
Reconciliation:  
Latin Mass in the  
Extraordinary Form: Monday through Friday 12:00 Noon.  
Sunday at 5:00 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

**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

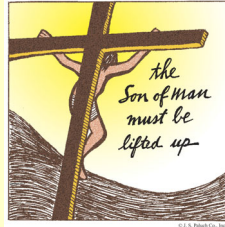
# THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

**September 14, 2014**

Numbers 21:4-9; Psalm 78;  
Philippians 2:6-11; John 3:13-17

## BEING LIFTED UP

In today's Gospel, Jesus reminds Nicodemus how Moses had "lifted up the serpent in the desert." Then Jesus says, "So must the Son of Man be lifted up, that all who believe may have eternal life in him." The evangelist clearly saw this "lifting up" of Jesus to mean his crucifixion. That "lifting up" of the serpent by Moses is described in today's first reading. The people were attacked by "saraph serpents," and many died. God had Moses make an image of the serpent and put it on a pole and lift it up. The people who had been bitten looked at it and recovered.



Jesus "emptied himself, taking the form of a slave." Lifted up on the cross, he was despised and seemed the most abject of people. But it was in embracing this disgrace and painful death that he became the bearer of eternal life for all of us. His "lifting up" in shame also his "lifting up" in glory and triumph.

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We mourn the passing of **Joe Buenavista**, our parishioner, who passed from this life to eternal life on September 2, 2014. Our prayers are with his wife, Geraldine and his family and friends.



*May he rest in eternal peace with God.*

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

Day	Event	Time
Mon. Sept. 15	Latin Mass	12:00 p.m.
Tues. Sept. 16	Second Harvest Kids Now Program Second Harvest Luncheon Latin Mass CFF Classes	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 5:45-8:15 p.m.
Wed. Sept. 17	Legion of Mary Latin Mass Latin Mass Choir Practice	9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Sept. 18	Latin Mass	12:00 p.m.
Fri. Sept. 19	Latin Mass COSJ Choir Practice Choir Practice Couples for Christ	12:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Sat. Sept. 20	MD Parish Picnic Legion of Mary Family Presidium	10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
Sun. Sept. 21	Children's Liturgy of the Word Catechetical Sunday Hospitality: Legion of Mary Latin Mass	10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.

# COLLECTIONS



September 7, 2014

First Collection \$ 5,306.50  
Religious Education \$ 1,760.50

Our Second Collection this Sunday is for  
Our Parish Maintenance & Improvement Fund

Our Second Collection for next Sunday is for  
Priest's Retirement

*Thank you for your generous donations towards  
the continued support of your Church!*



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

*Rose Elaine Archer-Thompson, Trude Bunterger, Emeliana P. Cariaga, Larry Casey, Alfredo Chuaquino, Shirley Cotton, Lucy Delahoussaye, John Dresser, Joe Duenas, Amy Marston, Walter Marston, Nellie Metzger, Eileen McHugh, Manuel P. Paat, Dorothy Pruett, Maria Luisa Sarra, Ernie Ventura and Tony Yee.*

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

DAY	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS: Sept. 15—Sept. 21	PRIEST
MON Sept. 15	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary Auxiliary & Active Members (L) Priest's Intention	RD VP
TUE Sept. 16	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Tommie Lambert (D) Priest's Intention	RD VP
WED Sept. 17	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Jesus Frederick Nunez (L) Priest's Intention	JP JH
THU Sept. 18	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Richard Giuliani (D) Priest's Intention	RD VP
FRI Sept. 19	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Lydia DeLa Merced (D) Priest's Intention	JP JH
SAT. Sept. 20	8:00 a.m.  5:00 p.m.	The Holy Souls in Purgatory (D) Nardo & Carmen Escalante (D) Nazaria Abreu (D) Joe Buenavista (D) Rosalinda Ledesma (L)  Joseph Stephen Parulan (D)	RD JP
SUN Sept. 21	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Edelwiza Nunez (D) People of the Parish Edelwiza Nunez (D) Priest's Intention	RD RD JP VP

## CHILD FAITH FORMATION

You still have time to register for our faith formation classes for this school year. Classes will start this Tuesday, Sept. 16th at 5:45 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for students in grade 1 to grade 5 and at 7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. for students in middle school to high school. Families with students in grade 4 and above must complete the on-line safety training at [www.shieldthevulnerable.org](http://www.shieldthevulnerable.org) and bring the certificate of completion to the first day of class. If you are interested in CFF classes please call the CFF office at 650-588-8175 or send an email to [cff@mdssf.org](mailto:cff@mdssf.org) for registration information. For your convenience, you can also find this information on our website <http://www.mdssf.org/ccd/ccd.htm#top>.



### Question of the Week:

Today's gospel offers us a great insight into Jesus' teaching. We hear Jesus explain so beautifully that "God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world," but to save the world. And why? Because "God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son..." (John 3:16). In other words, God would do anything for us!

*What ought to be our gratitude for God's great love?*

### THANK YOU BALLROOM DANCERS

We thank our Ballroom Dancers for their contribution to Mater Dolorosa's Parish Improvement Fund in the amount of \$780.00, as a special donation from the Disco Dance fundraiser. Thank you Ballroom Dancers for a great evening and for the support of your parish!



### PRIEST'S RETIREMENT SECOND COLLECTION September 20 & 21, 2014



The Archdiocese's annual Priests' Retirement collection occurs September 20 & 21. Because our retired priests have worked in the Lord's vineyard over a lifetime for small financial compensation, their retirement resources are typically meager. Funds raised from the collection demonstrate our personal commitment to help care for them as they have cared for us. Please be generous.

*You are also invited to join us at the  
Fourth Annual St. John Vianney Luncheon  
Honoring Retired Priests  
Who served in the Archdiocese of San Francisco  
Friday, October 24, 2014 at 11:30 a.m.  
St. Mary's Cathedral  
RSVP & Ticket Required  
Please contact the Rectory Office for Reservations*



This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 21, 2014, and will focus on the theme "Teaching About God's Gift of Forgiveness." Why do we celebrate Catechetical Sunday? In 1935, the Vatican published "On the Better Care and Promotion of Catechetical Education", a document that asks every country to acknowledge the importance of the Church's teaching ministry and to honor those who serve the Catholic Christian community as catechists. Those whom our parish community has designated to serve as catechists will be called on to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith. The volunteers who are teaching your children about our Catholic faith will be commissioned during the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Please support our catechists for their dedication to our faith formation program.



### MATER DOLOROSA PARISH PICNIC SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2014

Please join us at our annual picnic to honor and celebrate our Patroness feast—Our Lady of Sorrows - on September 20 (Saturday) at 10a.m. at Orange Park, SSF. Our Mass will be at 11:00 a.m. You may sign up to bring a pot-luck dish on the list located in the lobby.

### CATECHETICAL MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Our CFF/religious education program is in need of God loving people who are willing to pass on their Catholic faith to the next generation! This ministry for children and youth depends on generous people like YOU who are willing to share your time and God given gifts. If you enjoy working with children, tweens, and teens and at the same time want to learn more about our faith, come join and be a part of the catechetical ministry of our parish community. Please call the CFF office or pick up a flyer in the vestibule to find out more information on how you can help in this very rewarding ministry.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults RCIA BEGINS MONDAY, 9/15

RCIA is for adults 18 years and older who want to know more about the Catholic faith. In coming to understand what the Catholic believes and teaches:

- Unbaptized persons** discern if they want full initiation into the Catholic Church through reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist.
- Baptized Christians of other faiths** discern if they want to come into full communion with the Catholic Church through the reception of the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.
- Baptized Catholic Christians** discern if they want to complete their Initiation through reception of the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or Holy Eucharist.

Call Diana Powell (650-922-3941) to register or to discuss whether RCIA is what God is calling you to when He says,

**"Come follow me."**

