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**December 13, 2015**



**◆ PASTORAL STAFF ◆**  
Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor  
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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.  
Reconciliation: Saturday 4:15—4:45 p.m.  
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 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 \_\_\_\_\_

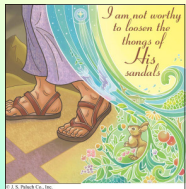
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New Parishioner  
 New Address  
 New Phone Number  
 Moving/Remove Name

## THE THIRD SUNDAY of ADVENT

**December 13, 2015**

Zephaniah 3:14-18 ; Psalm: Isaiah 12;  
Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:10-18



### CELEBRATE

This Sunday, God rejoices and sings because of us. We read in Zephaniah today that God "will sing joyfully because of you, / as one sings at festivals" (Zephaniah 3:18). We know plenty about singing at festivals. Already our ears are ringing with the songs and carols that anticipate the Christmas season.

Paul reminds us of the source of our own double rejoicing: God is the mighty savior who is in our midst (in Zephaniah's words). Because this is so, says Paul, we can rejoice and be at ease. We don't have to worry, for God's peace will stand guard over our hearts and minds. A medieval carol depicts Christmas as "my dancing day" and urges us to enter into the dance. Why all the merrymaking? Because "the Lord is near," as Paul reminds us (Philippians 4:5). He then points to another reason for the dancing: the dawn of the promise of peace, the peace beyond all understanding, that is now within our grasp. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

**ADVENT PENNANCE SERVICE**  
**MATER DOLOROSA**  
**DECEMBER 14, 2015**  
**7:00 p.m.**



### Mater Dolorosa's Upcoming Week AT-A-GLANCE

Sat. Dec. 12	Faith/Bible Study Legion of Mary Legion of Mary Family Presidium	9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Sun. Dec. 13	Children's Liturgy of the Word Hospitality: Hospitality Ministry Youth Group Knights of Columbus Calungsod Latin Mass Hospitality	10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
Mon. Dec. 14	Latin Mass MD Advent Penance Service	12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Tues. Dec. 15	Second Harvest & Kids Now Program Second Harvest Luncheon Simbang Gabi	9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Dec. 16	Legion of Mary Latin Mass COSJ Choir Practice Simbang Gabi	9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Thu. Dec. 17	Latin Mass Faith/Bible Study Simbang Gabi	12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Fri. Dec. 18	Latin Mass COSJ Choir Practice Choir Practice Simbang Gabi	12:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.

## COLLECTIONS

FOR December 6, 2015



First Collection \$ 5,478.00  
Religious Retirement \$ 2,263.00

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

Our Second Collection Next Sunday is for  
Our Parish Improvement Fund.

**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, Marilyn**



**Bugler, Trude Buntger, Larry Casey, Shirley Cotton, Lucy Delahoussaye, John Dresser, Kevin Dresser, Joe Duenas, George Garibaldi, Luz Gopez, Gary Andrew Lacanilao, Joan Lopiccio, Amy Marston, Walter Marston, Nellie Metzger, Eileen McHugh, Adelina Ong, John Paat, Sr., Mary Anne Padilla, Dorothy Pruett, Florentina Quitugua, Maria Luisa Sarra, and Gladys & Luis Torres.**

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

*Please pray for our many sick, homebound and hospitalized parishioners who are unable to attend Mass.*

DAY	TIME	Mass Intentions	PRIEST
Sat. Dec. 12	5:00 p.m.	Pat Garibaldi (D)	AQ
Sun. Dec. 13	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	People of the Parish Demetrio Santos (D) Henry Broock (D) Priest's Intention	RD JP VP VP
Mon. Dec. 14	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Daniel Santos (D) Priest's Intention	RD VP
Tues. Dec. 15	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Carolyn H. Hutzel (L) Priest's Intention Special Intention	AQ VP MP
Wed. Dec. 16	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Karen Ramirez (L) Priest's Intention Special Intention	JP JH MM
Thurs. Dec. 17	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Guillermo Genove (D) Priest's Intention Special Intention	AQ VP WJ
Fri. Dec. 18	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Louella Capulong (L) Priest's Intention Special Intention	RD JH JP
Sat. Dec. 19	8:00 a.m.	The Holy Souls in Purgatory (D) Lorenzo Bau Pham (D) Pat Garibaldi (D) Uccelli Family (D) Christopher Marston (D) Adelina Ong (L)	JP

### CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE at MATER DOLOROSA

#### Advent Penance Service at Mater Dolorosa

December 14th – 7:00 p.m.

#### Simbang Gabi Masses

December 15th through December 23rd -7:00 p.m.  
(Pot Luck Dinner follows December 23rd Mass)

#### CHRISTMAS MASSES

##### Holy Day of Obligation

##### Christmas Eve Masses

December 24th

5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass with Children’s Pageant

9:15 to 9:45 p.m. Christmas Caroling

10:00 p.m. (Midnight Mass)



##### Christmas Day Masses

December 25th - 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., & 12:00 p.m.

##### New Year’s Eve Mass

December 31st - 10:00 p.m. (Midnight Mass)

##### New Year’s Day Masses

##### Holy Day of Obligation

January 1st - Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

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

#### Christmas Bingo Luncheon



Our annual Christmas Bingo Luncheon was attended by 125 people who enjoyed the fellowship, the food, the raffle and of course the Bingo! Our thanks go to all who volunteered their time to decorating, planning, serving, the music, the ticketing, setting up, the shopping, and our MD Youth for all their help. Thanks to everyone for

#### CHILD FAITH FORMATION



Faith Formation classes are on Christmas break. Classes will resume on January 5, 2016. SACRAMENTAL CLASSES: First Communion class: Parent Meeting – Jan. 10 – 11:00am-12:00noon – Reconciliation preparation discussion. Confirmation 1 class: Advent reflections due Jan 5. Confirmation 2 class:

Dec. 15th – Service day 5:30pm-8:30pm, meet in school lobby. Waivers need to be submitted. Questions? Please call the CFF office. Have a blessed and safe Christmas and New Year!

##### Questions of the Week:

Imagine that you are there, listening to John the Baptist in today's gospel. You hear him advising the people who have already expressed their sorrow for their sins. We can be like John the Baptist when we help others to find Jesus Christ in their lives. Pray today that your joy in knowing Christ will help lead others to him.

*Did you know that the name John means "gift of God"? How was John the Baptist a gift to the people of his time? Think of people who are gifts in your life. Do not forget those who, like John the Baptist, remind you to live as a just and peaceful person! Pray for those people. You may want to write them a note, if possible, to thank them for the gifts they bring to you.*

#### Children’s Liturgy of the Word

This Advent we will be offering Children’s Liturgy of the Word every Sunday during this holy season at the 10:00am Mass. Children in grades K to 5 are invited after the opening prayer, before the first reading, to come forward

towards the altar, receive a blessing by the celebrant and dismissed to listen to the Word of God in a language that is appropriate for their comprehension. They process in the center isle following the lectionary which raised high. Once they have gathered in the Grade 1 room with the catechists, the Liturgy of the Word is proclaimed, a reflection is shared with the children and after the Prayer of the Faithful, they return for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. The next Children’s Liturgy of the Word gathering will be on Dec 20th.

#### Defibrillator in Church

We have installed a defibrillator mounted at the back of the church to the right of the main door, as you are leaving. A defibrillator is an automatic machine to be used in the case of cardiac arrest. It is designed to be automatic and easy to use. In case of emergency, please call emergency responders (911) immediately and follow the instructions on the machine. Notify parish staff as quickly as possible. **No one is obligated to use the defibrillator.** If you are not comfortable using it, or do not understand the instructions, please seek aid immediately from someone else who is present, from parish staff or from emergency responders. Remember: in an emergency, seconds count!



We thank John Dooley & Colleen Hera for this generous donation to our parish community!

**Our Christmas Giving Tree** is up in the vestibule of the church through December 25th. As you have done in the

past, 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!



CALLING ALL CHILDREN



Sign up to bring the birth of Jesus to life! We are in need of children and youth to bring to life these roles:

MARY, JOSEPH, ANGELS, SHEPHERDS STAR, THREE WISE MEN, and MANGER ANIMALS (SHEEP, COWS & MULES)

Dec. 24th – 5:00pm Christmas Eve Mass (Children’s Mass) – sign up sheet is in the vestibule of the Church.

For more information please call Felisa Cepeda 650-588-8175

#### ANNUAL VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER SAVE THE DATE

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 2016 - 6:00 p.m.

If you have been a volunteer at Mater Dolorosa in 2015, join us for an appreciation dinner! Please make a reservation to let us know you plan to attend. You may make your reservation by calling the Rectory Office at 650-583-4131.

