

MATER DOLOROSA CHURCH

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January 3, 2016



◆ PASTORAL STAFF ◆

Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor
Rev. Msgr. John R. Pernia, In Residence
Rev. Fr. Angel Quitalig, J.C.L., In Residence
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.
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 _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

- New Parishioner
- New Address
- New Phone Number
- Moving/Remove Name

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 3, 2016

Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72;
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12

LOOKING IN THE RIGHT PLACES



“Appearances can be deceiving,” as the saying goes. As we celebrate the epiphania, the “appearing” of the eternal Word of God on earth, this is still true.

What rapturous foresight must have filled Isaiah as he wrote the words we hear today. How, for four hundred years, they must have filled the hearts of the people of Israel with hope for the day when God’s glory would shine on them. How deceived some must have felt when the glory of God came to them in the lowliest and humblest of human lives. We have many expectations about how the divine presence will appear among us. But we can also set ourselves up, through these expectations, to miss the divine glory when it truly appears. We get caught up in looking for the star, forgetting that the star is not the divine sign, the babe is. It may take a persistent journey for us to come upon the true appearance of God’s glory in our lives: Jesus Christ. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

COLLECTIONS

FOR December 20, 2015



First Collection \$ 4,358.00
Parish Improvement \$ 2,111.00

Our Second Collection this Sunday is for
Our Religious Education Programs.

Our Second Collection Next Sunday is for
Parish Maintenance & Improvement.

Thank you for your generous support of your Mater Dolorosa Parish and our Catholic Church!



We mourn the passing of our long-time parishioner **Joe Duenas**, who passed from this life to eternal life on December 19, 2015. Please keep Joe and his family in your prayers.

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, George Garibaldi, Luz Gopez, Gary Andrew Lacanilao, Joan Lopiccolo, 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.



Mater Dolorosa's Upcoming Week AT-A-GLANCE

Sat. Jan. 2	Legion of Mary Family Presidium	7:00 p.m.
Sun. Jan. 3	Hospitality: Altar Society Youth Group Latin Mass Hospitality	11:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
Mon. Jan. 4	Latin Mass	12:00 p.m.
Tues. Jan. 5	Second Harvest/Kids Now Program Latin Mass CFF Classes	9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 5:45—8:15 p.m.
Wed. Jan. 6	Legion of Mary Latin Mass COSJ Choir Practice Baptism Class Knights of Columbus Meeting Ballroom Dancing	9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
Thu. Jan. 7	Latin Mass Ladies Club Meeting	12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
Fri. Jan. 8	Latin Mass Choir Practice	12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.

DAY	TIME	Mass Intentions	PRIEST
Sat. Jan. 2	5:00 p.m.	People of the Parish	JP
Sun. Jan. 3	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Thomas Aragon (D) Pat Garibaldi (D) Tito Valencia (D) Priest's Intention	RD AQ VP JH
Mon. Jan. 4	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Blanche Gemignani (D) Priest's Intention	AQ VP
Tues. Jan. 5	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Luz Ferret Sevilla (D) Priest's Intention	RD VP
Wed. Jan. 6	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Carla Amasa (L) Priest's Intention	AQ JH
Thurs. Jan. 7	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Abelardo & Hortensia Rodriguez (D) Priest's Intention	AQ JH
Fri. Jan. 8	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Teofilo Bagain (D) Priest's Intention	JP VP
Sat. Jan. 9	8:00 a.m.	Joe Duenas (D)	JP

HAPPY ★ NEW ★ YEAR

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ANNUAL VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER
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. Please make your reservation by calling the Rectory Office at 650-583-4131.



COAT DRIVE
At MATER DOLOROSA

Warm someone's heart this winter. Donate NEW or gently used men's, ladies, or children's coats. Collection barrels can be found in the vestibule of the church or in the school lobby beginning Jan 3 thru Jan 17. Donations will benefit the Catholic Worker Hospitality House Shelter in San Bruno and St. Vincent de Paul Homeless Help Center on Grand Ave.



Thank you for your generosity.

CHILD FAITH FORMATION



CFF classes will resume Tuesday, January 5, 2016. Parents of students in grades 1 to 3 must attend a Child Safety training orientation on Tuesday, Jan 19th at 6pm in the parish hall. 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: No January 3rd Sunday class. Questions? Please call or email the CFF office. Have a blessed and safe New Year!

Question of the Week:

The story of the magi, following the light of a distant star is full of surprises. The magi, who were Gentiles, were the first to worship Jesus as the newborn King of the Jews. They found him, not in a palace surrounded by signs of wealth and might, but as a helpless baby in the arms of Mary, his mother. Yet the astrologers believed and worshiped him, offering him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Then, Matthew tells us, full of joy and wonder, they returned to their distant homes. The magi had the faith and wisdom to see in this baby the promised Messiah. Christ shows himself to us, too, and comes into our lives in many ways and through many people. If we are people of faith, we will find him in these little "epiphanies." We will offer him our own gifts—our prayers and worship, our loving service of others, and our constant faith, even when it might seem hard to find him.

*Reflect on some of the "little epiphanies" in your life.
Share that with others.*

MATER DOLOROSA LADIES CLUB

Please consider joining the Mater Dolorosa Ladies Club. We meet the first Thursday of every month at 6:00 p.m. in the school library for our meetings and events. Some of our events include dinner out in May, pot luck dinner and a movie night, Mass at the Monastery, and a cookie exchange. We are very proud of our contributions to our Mater Dolorosa parish and to our community over the years through our charitable works, some of which include:

Donation of proceeds from our Rummage Sale to the Stained Glass Restoration at MD.

Donation of proceeds from our Rummage Sale for a Dishwasher at MD.

Half Moon Bay "Food for the Needy".

SSF Firefighters Holiday Bagged Food Program.

*Most Holy Redeemer Homeless Lunch Program.
Senior Center "goodie bags".*

*St. Vincent de Paul "Sponsor a Family" to give aid.
Baked Goods for Nursing Homes.*

Donation to the annual MD Picnic.

Donation of proceeds from our Rummage Sale to the Carpeting Project at MD.

Donation through our Bake Sale for Catholic Worker for the Homeless Food Program at St. Bruno's Church.

We also support the Ballroom Tea & Dance Event and the Annual Christmas Bingo Luncheon with our time and talents.



Our next meeting will be on Thursday, **January 7, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.** in the school. All women are welcome to join; we have a lot of fun!

Walk for Life West Coast 2016

Join fellow Catholics and Pro-Lifers from all over California and beyond as we stand up for the littlest among us at the 12th Annual Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco on January 23, 2016. The pre-walk rally begins at 12:30PM in San Francisco's Civic Center Plaza, and the walk down the city's Market Street, begins at 1:30. Last year's Walk drew 50,000+ people. This year we are honored to welcome Latin American music legend Emmanuel, all the way from Mexico, as one of our speakers. For complete information about the Walk, visit www.walkforlifewc.com or call 415-658-1793.

