

MATER DOLOROSA CHURCH

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SEPTEMBER 4, 2016



◆ PASTORAL STAFF ◆

Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor
Rev. Msgr. John R. Pernia, In Residence
Rev. Fr. Angel Quitlig, J.C.L., In Residence
Rev. Fr. Rufino Gepiga, Parish Associate
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. Ricardo Carlos, Sacristan
Ms. Elsa Agasid, Music Coordinator
Mr. Marlon Evangelista, Music Coordinator

◆ 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.
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

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 4, 2016

Wisdom 9:13-18; Psalm 90;
Philemon 9-10, 12-17; Luke 14:25-33

INVITED

The Good News is that we have all been invited—invited to the Kingdom, invited to be disciples. It's a life-changing invitation, and like so many other such invitations, it requires a great deal of deliberation and discernment. Whether we choose marriage, ordination, single life, or community life, we know the serious planning and consideration that accompany these profound decisions. Like the tower-builder in the Gospel, we have weighed both the monetary and emotional cost. We have pondered and planned our lives in the direction to which we believe God has called us. And while we pray for guidance and acceptance of God's will, we often fail to understand so much. Like Solomon, we turn to God for wisdom and counsel in our life-changing decisions.



Our Rectory Office and CFF Office will be closed on Monday, September 5th in observance of Labor Day. Have a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend!

DAY	TIME	Mass Intentions	PRIEST
Sat. Sept. 3	5:00 p.m.	<i>Christopher Myhra (D)</i>	AQ
Sun. Sept. 4	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	<i>People of the Parish Pat Garibaldi (D) Ronald & Elaine Martin (L) Priest's Intention (Latin Mass)</i>	RG AQ RG VP
Mon. Sept. 5	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	<i>Edelwiza Paulette Nunez (D) Priest's Intention (Latin Mass)</i>	RG VP
Tues. Sept. 6	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	<i>Joseph Flores (D) Priest's Intention (Latin Mass)</i>	AQ VP
Wed. Sept. 7	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	<i>Julia Smith (D) Priest's Intention (Latin Mass)</i>	RG VP
Thurs. Sept. 8	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	<i>Joseph Nunez (L) Priest's Intention (Latin Mass)</i>	AQ VP
Fri. Sept. 9	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	<i>Julia Smith (D) Priest's Intention (Latin Mass)</i>	RG JH
Sat. Sept. 10	8:00 a.m.	<i>Marlene Caballero (L) Jim Gacula (L) Isabell Paat (L) Sabino Sagun (D) Crisanto Carmen (D)</i>	AQ

COLLECTIONS

FOR August 28, 2016

First Collection \$ 4,994.00
Special Projects \$ 1,813.00

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

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

*Thank you for your continued support of your parish
and our Catholic Church!*

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

Liz Alvaro, Rose Elaine Archer-Thompson, Jason Bell, Trude Buntger, Janie Bustos, Larry Casey, Shirley Cotton, Lucy Delahoussaye, John Dresser, George Garibaldi, Luz Gopez, Walter Heim, Joan Lopiccolo, Amy Marston, Walter Marston, Nellie Metzger, Eileen McHugh, Isabelle Paat, Derk Padilla, Mary Anne Padilla, Dorothy Pruett, Florentina Quitugua, Archie Sam, Gigi Sam, Maria Luisa Sarra, Laura Skaff 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. Sept. 3	Legion of Mary Family Presidium	7:00 p.m.
Sun. Sept. 4	Knights of Columbus Meeting Children's Liturgy of the Word Hospitality: Altar Society COSJ Choir Latin Mass Hospitality	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
Mon. Sept. 5	Rectory & CFF Offices Closed Latin Mass	12:00 p.m.
Tue. Sept. 6	Second Harvest/Kids Now Program Latin Mass	9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.
Wed. Sept. 7	Legion of Mary Latin Mass Baptism Class Ballroom Dancing	8:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
Thu. Sept. 8	Latin Mass MD Choir Practice	12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Fri. Sept. 9	Latin Mass Couples for Christ	12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.



CHILD FAITH FORMATION

Registration for the new Faith Formation school year will continue to be accepted until Sept 6th. All NEW and RETURNING students must register for the new faith formation year. Please pick up registration form and information from the vestibule, the Rectory or CFF Offices and the school lobby. **FIRST DAY OF CLASS** for our Faith Formation program is on **SEPT 13, 2016!**

Families with students in grade 4 and above **ARE REQUIRED** to complete the on-line safety training at WWW.SHIELDTHEVULNERABLE.COM and bring the certificate of completion to the first day of class.

REMINDER: If you travelled this summer with your family and attended Mass in the city/town you are visiting. **EVERYONE** in our parish is invited to share photos of churches visited this summer. Email the CFF office (cff@mdssf.org) the picture of the church or altar you visited or attended Mass. The children and families will share their pictures and stories of our Catholic identity from many different cities and/or countries on October 2nd during hospitality. **FAMILY & STUDENT ORIENTATION SCHEDULES: Sept 6, 6pm – Family and student orientation (Levels 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)**

Questions of the Week:

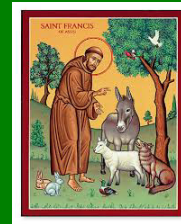
In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus is speaking to people gathered at the table about the difficulties of following him. Jesus speaks to them in parables, emphasizing that although there is a right way to be a disciple and enter into the kingdom of his Father, it is a difficult path to follow. Jesus explains that, when it comes to making a choice for the Kingdom of God, nothing can get in the way. When Jesus describes "hating" one's father and mother, he is not talking about feelings. Rather, he is emphasizing very strongly that choosing to be a disciple means that everything else—family, money, your own life—must come second. How can we put God first in our lives? Here's a simple exercise to help us focus on God. First, mentally focus on your greatest accomplishments. Next, ask yourself if these were your successes or God's gifts to you. Finally, ask yourself if you can give those milestones back to God.

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

Please plan to attend Mater Dolorosa's annual Parish Picnic, in honor of our patroness, Mary, Our Lady of Sorrows, on September 17th Prayers at 10:15 a.m. followed by Mass at 11:00 a.m. in the Pieta Garden with Father Vito Perrone as the main celebrant, followed by a pot luck lunch. Please plan to bring a dish to share!



BLESSING of the ANIMALS



Join us on October 9, 2016, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass for the Blessing of the Animals sponsored by Mater Dolorosa Parish and the Knights of Columbus Council #14818. An animal day care center will be available for those attending Mass. (Only pets in cages or on leashes are accepted.) Everyone is welcome to bring their pets to be blessed in the tradition of St. Francis of Assisi.



Priest's Retirement

Our parish will participate in a special Second Collection to support the Archdiocesan Priests' Retirement Fund at all Masses on September 17 and 18. Your generous response to this collection would be a wonderful sign of gratitude for those faithful priests who have served the Lord so faithfully

while nourishing our Catholic life of faith. Retired priests in the Archdiocese of San Francisco receive a monthly pension from the Archdiocese commensurate to their years of service, and are eligible for Social Security. There is, at present, an increase in the number of retired priests. We need to provide them with adequate care and support. The Priests Retirement Fund that supports the retired priests must therefore be adequately funded and have sufficient resources for supplemental medical insurance beyond Medicare coverage, as well as a portion of extended care costs when the need arises. The Priests Retirement Fund special collection will allow each of us to show our support for those priests who have cared for and ministered to us throughout the years. Please consider supporting this important Second Collection.

What is Mater Dolorosa Helping Hands Ministry?

Helping Hands volunteers provide a number of services to our parishioners. Some of those services include: Funeral reception in the parish hall for founding parishioners—set up, clean up, serve and provide coffee and cookies, rides to the doctor, a ride to Mass, and dinner three times per week for first 30 days following hospitalization for those homebound in need. Volunteers are reimbursed through the Helping Hands Collection for their expenses. If you are in need of Helping Hands services, please call rectory office and our helpers will contact you. If you would like to volunteer, please complete the forms available in the vestibule of the church.



SAVE THE DATE—LADIES CLUB BAKE SALE

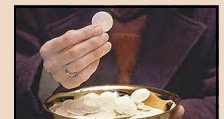
On Sunday, October 9th following all of the Masses, there will be a Mater Dolorosa Ladies Club Bake Sale. Cakes, cookies, breads, pastries and much more will be on sale. Proceeds from this sale will benefit the Lava Mae program through Most Holy Redeemer Church in San Francisco, which provides showers for the homeless. Buy a treat for your friends and family, and help those in need!



Training for New & Experienced Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion & Readers

The Office of Worship offers six hour formation sessions for new and experienced Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers. In the morning of the first Saturday, ministers are introduced to sacramental theology, particularly that of the Eucharist by Rev. David Pettingill. Next, our presenters who are experts in the field, offer technical and spiritual direction for the minister's specific liturgical role. Finally, extraordinary ministers prepare for bringing Holy Communion to the sick and homebound, while readers conclude with coaching in proclamation and oral interpretation. Please contact the Rectory Office to register. The training is offered at the following locations:

Marin County
September 17 & 24
Saint Isabella
San Rafael



San Mateo County
October 8 & 15
Saint Mark
Belmont

San Francisco County
October 29 & November 5
St Thomas More
San Francisco

