

# MATER DOLOROSA CHURCH

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December 4, 2016



## ◆ PASTORAL STAFF ◆

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Mr. Ricardo Carlos, Sacristan  
Ms. Elsa Agasid, Music Coordinator  
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## ◆ 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

# Second Sunday of Advent

**December 4, 2016**

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

## PREPARE THE WAY

Saint John the Baptist appears on the scene today as Advent enters its second week. The mysterious consumer of locusts and wild honey, John echoes the words of the prophet Isaiah as he calls for repentance in the face of the nearness of the kingdom of heaven. The rhythms of the Christian life are often confounding. Each year we meet the Baptist and hear his calls for repentance. Each year we see him pointing to the one who is coming after him, the Lord Jesus. Yet each year the words and actions of John the Baptist echo anew in our hearts, because we have fallen into old sinful traps again and again. Advent gives us the opportunity once again to turn away from our sinful ways and embrace the gospel way of life. John the Baptist invites us to prepare the way for the Lord, in whom we place our hope.



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Wednesday, December 8th is the Immaculate Conception of Mary and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times are 8:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.



## COLLECTIONS

FOR 11/21/16

**First Collection** \$4,191.00  
**Campaign Human Dev.** \$1,781.00

FOR 11/27/16

**First Collection** \$4,728.00  
**Special Projects** \$1,622.00

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

*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, Lucy Delahoussaye, John Dresser, Luz Gopez, Walter Heim, Joan Lopiccolo, Amy Marston, Walter Marston, Richard Menendez, Nellie Metzger, Eileen McHugh, Isabelle Paat, Derk Padilla, Mary Anne Padilla, Florentina Quitugua, Archie Sam, Gigi Sam, Maria Luisa Sarra, Laura Skaff, Gladys & Luis Torres and Kit Fong Woo.**

*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

DAY	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS For the WEEK	PRIEST
<b>Sat. Dec. 3</b>	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Antonio Aguilar (L)</b>	<b>RG</b>
Sun. Dec. 4	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	People of the Parish Julia Smith (D) Marlene Caballero (L) Priest's Intention (Latin Mass)	RG RG JP VP
<b>Mon. Dec. 5</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> <b>12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Julia Smith (D)</b> <b>Priest's Intention (Latin Mass)</b>	<b>AQ</b> <b>JH</b>
Tues. Dec. 6	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Father Jose Arong (D) Priest's Intention (Latin Mass)	AQ VP
<b>Wed. Dec. 7</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> <b>12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Rachel Macchietto (L)</b> <b>Priest's Intention (Latin Mass)</b>	<b>RG</b> <b>JH</b>
Thurs. Dec. 8	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Leoncio Ramos (D) People of the Parish Teofilo Bagain (D)	AQ RG AQ
<b>Fri. Dec. 9</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b> <b>12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Glennen &amp; Emely Grivas (L)</b> <b>Priest's Intention (Latin Mass)</b>	<b>RG</b> <b>JH</b>
Sat. Dec. 10	8:00 a.m.	Brenda Campos (L) Justin Villegas Meer (D)	AQ

Sat. Dec. 3	Adult Bible Study Christmas Bingo Luncheon Legion of Mary Family Presidium	9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
<b>Sun. Dec. 4</b>	<b>Children's Liturgy of the Word</b> <b>Hospitality: Altar Society</b> <b>COSJ Choir</b> <b>Latin Mass</b> <b>Hospitality</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> <b>3:30 p.m.</b> <b>5:00 p.m.</b> <b>6:00 p.m.</b>
Mon. Dec. 5	Latin Mass Los Posadas	12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
<b>Tue. Dec. 6</b>	<b>Kids Now Program</b> <b>Latin Mass</b> <b>CFF Classes</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b> <b>12:00 p.m.</b> <b>5:45 p.m.</b>
Wed. Dec. 7	Legion of Mary Latin Mass Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass	8:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
<b>Thu. Dec. 8</b>	<b>Immaculate Conception Masses</b> <b>Morning Hospitality Group</b> <b>Latin Mass (Monastery)</b> <b>Baptism Class</b>	<b>8:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. &amp; 7:30 p.m.</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> <b>12:00 p.m.</b> <b>7:00 p.m.</b>
Fri. Dec. 9	Latin Mass COSJ Choir Practice Couples for Christ	12:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.

## CHILD FAITH FORMATION

Please support our First Communion students and their families during the 5pm Mass on Dec 10th as they are presented to our parish community in the "Rite of Welcome." All the children of the CFF families will gather in the parish hall after the 5pm Mass on Dec 10th, to celebrate Advent. Our CFF students will be sharing their gifts and talents with us through dance and song. Bring your baby Jesus from home to get blessed before you place him in your nativity. All Faith Formation families are encouraged to attend. The potluck sign-up sheet is on the CFF table in the vestibule or in the school lobby.

### SACRAMENTAL CLASSES:

First Communion classes (Level 2 & Older Communion): Dec 10th – The Jesus Story Day of Reflection - 2:30pm to 4:30pm – Mass 5:00pm – students will be presented to the parish community. – All students preparing to receive communion are required to attend. Afterward, join the CFF Advent/Christmas celebration in the parish hall. Confirmation 1 class: Dec 6 – Christmas cookies service project. Don't forget to bring in your 2 dozen cookies. Please place 3 cookies in a package. Dec 10 – Jesus Story Day of Reflection with First Communion students - please arrive by 2:00pm for your orientation and instruction. All Conf 1 students required to attend. Service hours will be earned.

### Questions of the Week:

On this 2nd Sunday of Advent, we focus on preparation for Christ. We listen to the words of John the Baptist as a reminder that we are called to repentance as we prepare for Jesus' coming into our lives. "Reform your lives! The reign of God is at hand."

*What are some of the messages we hear in our culture in the time period between Thanksgiving and Christmas? What is John the Baptist's message? What are the greatest challenges you face as a young person today in terms of allowing Christ to be your teacher and following him?*

### Las Posadas preparing for La Navidad at Mater Dolorosa

This special Hispanic Christmas tradition begins on December 16th. The word "Posadas" mean "inn" or "lodging". This tradition celebrates the story of Joseph and Mary searching for an inn where Mary could give birth. This celebration is a wonderful reminder of the spirit of Christmas. It is also a very fun Christmas tradition.

*This is our 6<sup>th</sup> year that we proudly celebrate this tradition with our Hispanic families. Please join us on December 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the church for an evening of prayer, singing and the presentation of the Posadas, followed by FOOD and fun.*

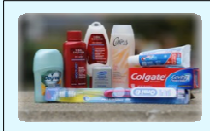
**WHO: Everyone is INVITED**

**WHAT: LAS POSADAS CELEBRATION**

**WHEN: 7:00 p.m. DEC. 05, 2016**

Those participating in the Posadas need to be in the school lobby by 6:30pm to change into costume.

### SOCK & TRAVEL SIZE TOILETRY DRIVE



Your donation of new white socks, new travel size toiletries, new small tubes of toothpaste and new toothbrushes will provide comfort, warmth and dignity to our sisters and brothers living unshel-



tered on the streets of our neighborhood. Collection barrels can be found in the vestibule of the church, and the CFF school lobby until December 11th. Thank you for your generosity! This is a Advent Service Project organized by the 2016 Mater Dolorosa Confirmation 2 class.

### Giving Tree at Mater Dolorosa

Our Christmas Giving Tree is up in the vestibule of the church through December 25th. We would like you to purchase 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 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 UPCOMING SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AND MASSES AT MATER DOLOROSA:

### Traditional Los Posadas:

December 5th - 7:00 p.m.  
Prayer Service in Spanish



### Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass:

Mass in Spanish  
December 7th - 7:00 p.m.  
Celebrant: Bishop William Justice

### Immaculate Conception Masses:

*Holy Day of Obligation*  
December 8th  
8:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., & 7:30 p.m.

### Simbang Gabi Masses:

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

### Christmas Masses:

Christmas Eve Masses  
December 24th  
5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass  
with Children's Pageant  
9:30 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 - 5:00 p.m., 10:00 p.m.  
(Midnight Mass)

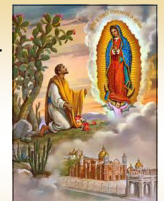


### New Year's Day Masses:

*Holy Day of Obligation*  
January 1st - Solemnity of Mary, the  
Holy Mother of God  
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., & 12:00 p.m.

### Our Lady of Guadalupe

Please join us on December 7 at 7:00 pm for a bilingual Mass honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe. Hospitality and sharing the story of how our Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to Juan Diego will take place after the Mass. All are INVITED, most especially your children. Please bring flowers to present to the image of Our Lady.



### GIFT CARD PROGRAM AT MATER DOLOROSA

Please keep in mind our Gift Card Program when you purchase your holiday gift cards. Order forms can be found in the lobby, and you may turn them in to the rectory office or in the collection basket during Mass. A percentage of the profit goes to your church!