

MATER DOLOROSA CHURCH

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JANUARY 1, 2017



◆ PASTORAL STAFF ◆

Rev. Fr. Rolando De la Rosa, Pastor
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Rev. Mr. Alex Aragon, Permanent Deacon
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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

Mary, the Holy Mother of God The Solemnity of Mary

January 1, 2017

Numbers 6:22-27; Psalm 67;
Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:16-21

THE BLESSING WE RECEIVE

The blessing we experience in Christ Jesus is proclaimed in Numbers as the special blessing for the people of Israel. They and we are to be blessed by the invocation of God's loving kindness, the shining glory of God's face turned toward us in love, not away from us in anger. We are blessed by God's own peace!

Our wish and our hope are fulfilled in this blessing, which is made visible in the coming of Jesus. In Jesus, the image of the invisible God, God's face is shown to us and God's presence is made known to us in faithful and loving kindness.

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Mary kept all these things,
reflecting on them in
her heart.
— Luke 2:19

Mater Dolorosa's Upcoming Week AT-A-GLANCE

Sat. Dec. 31	Legion of Mary Family Presidium	7:00 p.m.
Sun. Jan. 1	Children's Liturgy of the Word Hospitality: Altar Society COSJ Choir Latin Mass Hospitality	10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
Mon. Jan. 2	Latin Mass Rectory & CFF Offices Closed	12:00 p.m.
Tue. Jan. 3	Second Harvest Kids Now Program Latin Mass RCIA	10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Jan. 4	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. Jan. 5	Morning Hospitality Group Latin Mass MD Choir MD Ladies Club Meeting	8:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Fri. Jan. 6	Eucharistic Adoration Benediction Latin Mass COSJ Choir Practice Healing Mass	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.

COLLECTIONS



Due to our bulletin publisher's schedule, collection totals will be posted in an upcoming bulletin.

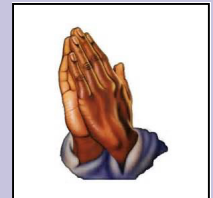
Our Collection this Sunday is for
The Solemnity of Mary.

Our Collection for next Sunday is for
Our Parish 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, Lucy Delahoussaye, John Dresser, Elsa Evangelista, Luz Gopez, Walter Heim, Barbara Lagomarsino, 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.

DAY	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS	PRIEST
Sat. Dec. 31	5:00 p.m. 10:00 p.m.	People of the Parish Dolores Soules (D)	RG AQ
Sun. Jan. 1	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	<i>Elbren Agdeppa, Jr. (D) George Garibaldi (D) People of the Parish Priest's Intention (Latin Mass)</i>	RG AQ RG VP
Mon. Jan. 2	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Agnes Maria San Pedro (D) Priest's Intention (Latin Mass)	RG VP
Tues. Jan. 3	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	<i>Franco Mamerto (D) Priest's Intention (Latin Mass)</i>	AQ VP
Wed. Jan. 4	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Adelina Ong (D) Priest's Intention (Latin Mass)	RG VP
Thurs. Jan. 5	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	<i>Jovita Triunfo (D) Priest's Intention (Latin Mass)</i>	AQ VP
Fri. Jan. 6	8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Betty Castagnola (D) Priest's Intention (Latin Mass)	RG VP
Sat. Jan. 7	8:00 a.m.	<i>Norma Nunez (L) Annie Agleham (L)</i>	AQ



CHILD FAITH FORMATION

CFF classes will resume from Christmas break on January 10, 2016. Have a blessed and safe Christmas and New Year! SACRAMENTAL CLASSES: First Communion class (Level 2 & Older Communion class): Parent Meeting – Jan. 8 – 11:00am-12:00noon – Reconciliation preparation discussion. Confirmation 1 class: Essay on the Mass is PAST DUE – Dec 6. If you did not submit it, please email cff@mdssf.org or drop it off at the CFF office. Don't forget your Advent reflections are due Jan 10. Confirmation 2 class: Advent reflections are due Jan 10. If you have questions about these reminders please call or email the CFF office.

Questions of the Week:

How easy it is to follow directions when we know the outcome. It's much more difficult to follow directions when we're not so sure of what's going to happen. The Gospel we celebrate a feast in Mary's honor called the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God. We honor Mary because she followed God's directions even though she was not sure why she was being asked to do so or what was going to happen next. She simply obeyed. Today, we hear that Mary followed these directions by God. When we obey God, as Mary did, we show ourselves to be good disciples of Jesus.

What commitment to God did Mary honor in this reading? Because Mary honored her commitment to God, she is a model for us of how to be a disciple. A disciple is a follower. As Christians, when did we make our first commitment to be disciples of Jesus? How do we show this commitment?

ANNUAL VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER at MATER DOLOROSA

Please join us for our Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner for all those who have worked as a volunteer, or belong to a ministry for Mater



Dolorosa Church. The dinner will be held on Friday, January 20, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in our parish hall. Please call the Rectory Office to make your reservation for the evening before January 15th. See you there!

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

“Octave” comes from the Latin word for “eight,” and since eight is one step beyond seven, the number of days in a week, it has long been seen as a symbol of perfection, completion, and new beginnings. Early Christians called Sunday the “eighth day,” since it was the day after the Sabbath and a day of resurrected life, the Lord’s Day. By the seventh century, people regarded the eight days after Easter Sunday as one great day, an octave, one glorious feast when people were forbidden to fast or kneel. In the seventh century, Pentecost acquired an Octave, too. Christmas didn’t claim the honor of a continuous feast, but it did get an Octave Day. January 1 is the oldest Marian feast, the Octave of Christmas. It was originally a feast of the motherhood of Mary, although for centuries until 1969 it was called the Feast of the Circumcision. Our reformed calendar follows the earlier tradition of celebrating Mary as Mother of God. —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



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 1 thru Jan 15. Donations will benefit the Catholic Worker Hospitality House Shelter in San Bruno and Samaritan House. Thank you for your generosity.

Please be Reminded. . . .



Our CFF and Rectory Offices will be closed until Tuesday, January 3, 2017. We will be checking non-urgent messages during the break.

The Annual Walk for Life West Coast



The Annual Walk for Life West Coast will take place on Saturday, January 21, 2017. The Walk continues to grow and attract large numbers of participants from our local communities, as well as busloads of people who travel from all parts of the West Coast and beyond. This is an effective way to bring our message to the public’s attention each year. It offers women, men, families and friends an opportunity to come together to express the value of human life.

As in the past, on the morning of the Walk for Life many bishops from around the state will join the Most Reverend Salvatore J. Cordileone, Archbishop of San Francisco, to celebrate a special 9:30 AM Mass at Saint Mary’s Cathedral to ask Our Lord’s blessing on all who will participate, as well as all who will witness our peaceful and prayerful procession. After Mass, please gather at Civic Center Plaza where the Information Faire and Rally will take place, before the 1.3-mile walk down Market Street to the waterfront at Justin Herman Plaza. You may wish to consider sponsoring a parish bus to the Walk or carrying a banner to identify your parish. Please support the Walk for Life West Coast on January 21, 2017 to proclaim to the world that we are a people of life.