

**MATER DOLOROSA  
CHURCH  
1040 Miller Ave.  
South San Francisco  
California 94080-1446**



**MARCH 15, 2026**

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Mater Dolorosa Website: mdssf.org  
Parish Center Hours: (NEW HOURS)

Tuesday—Friday 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.,  
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**In URGENT need of sacrament of the sick only:**  
**call:650-930-7819,**

**Otherwise, please call the parish center  
at 650-583-4131 x 1.**

◆ **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.  
Byzantine Divine Liturgy (In the Monastery) on  
Saturday 10:00 a.m. & Sunday 8:00 a.m.  
Holy Days of Obligation: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. (Latin Mass)  
12:00 Noon, & 7:00 p.m.  
Latin Mass in the Extraordinary Form: Monday through  
Friday 12:00 Noon. Saturday 9:00 a.m. & Sunday at 2:00 p.m.  
First Friday Healing Ministry Mass 7:00 p.m.  
First Saturday Marion Devotion following the 8:00 a.m. Mass  
Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00-4:30 p.m.  
Fourth Saturday of the Month 5:00 Mass in Tagalog

◆ **BAPTISM** ◆

We welcome your child to be baptized at Mater Dolorosa Church.  
Baptisms take place the fourth Saturday of every month at 11:30 a.m.  
Baptism Preparation Class is offered for families of scheduled bap-  
tisms, the third Saturday of every month at 11:30 a.m. Parents should  
contact the Parish Center *three months prior* to the desired date of the  
baptism to allow for preparation and for scheduling.

◆ **FIRST EUCHARIST and FIRST RECONCILIATION** ◆

Families must be enrolled in Family Faith Formation one year prior to  
the direct preparation for each Sacrament.

◆ **CONFIRMATION** ◆

Families must be enrolled in Family Faith Formation one year prior to  
the direct preparation for the reception of Confirmation.

◆ **MARRIAGE** ◆

Please contact the Parish Center at least 6 months prior to your  
wedding date to allow time for Marriage Preparation.

◆ **FAMILY FAITH FORMATION** ◆

Family Faith Formation is a ministry in which parents and children learn  
about the Catholic faith together and with other families.

Family gatherings begin in September.

◆ **OCIA** ◆

Contact Deacon Ramon de la Rosa

◆ **PASTORAL STAFF** ◆

Father Vito Perrone, COSJ, Priest-Monk, Pastor  
Father Andrew Mbinkar Berinyuy, Sch.P., Parochial Vicar  
Father Mikhael Mihic, COSJ, Priest-Monk  
Father Joseph Homick, COSJ, Priest-Monk  
Rev. Mr. Ramon de la Rosa, Permanent Deacon  
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Mr. Robert Kosch, COSJ-TO, Head Sacristan  
Mrs. Frances Lidwell, Parish Manager  
Mrs. Felisa Cepeda, Director of Religious Education  
Mrs. Evangeline deGuzman, Finance Manager  
Dr. Jennifer Donelson, Music Director  
Mr. Marlon Evangelista, Music Director  
Ms. Aida Gamboa, Music Director  
Mary Charisse Rozario, Young Adult Ministry Coordinator  
Jordi Cortez, Master of Ceremonies/Liturgy  
Mr. Bernardo Ortiz, Parish Maintenance  
Mr. Alfred Urcuyo, Building Maintenance

**WELCOME:** We hope you get to know us and we get to know you. Please fill out (**PRINT**) the bottom portion and  
place it in the collection basket, or mail it to: 1040 Miller Ave., SSF, CA 94080-1446. To complete  
the registration, **we will mail you a registration form to fill out and return.** Thank you.

Mr. & Mrs.  Ms.  Mr.  Miss  \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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

**March 15, 2026**  
**The FOURTH SUNDAY of LENT**

**1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13; Psalm 23:1-6**  
**Ephesians 5:3-14; John 9:1-41**

**How Conversion Happens**

Conversion to Christ is a process. The blind man in the Gospel reading exemplifies this journey into faith. Conversion begins when Jesus seeks us out and we make ourselves available to his touch. He then opens our eyes to the truth, but we may not immediately understand.



When the man's neighbors asked about his cure, he did not yet understand who Jesus was; he thought of him as just a man.

Then, the pressure of listening to the Pharisees argue about who Jesus was caused him to give it more thought. He concluded that Jesus must be a prophet, which for the Jews was a highly esteemed, holy vocation.

Next, as the Pharisees treated him more roughly and raised the possibility of expelling him from the synagogue if he claimed that Jesus was the Christ, he began to wonder whether it might be true. Their reasons for hating Jesus became the eye-openers that cured his spiritual blindness.

Finally, Jesus sought him out again, this time to minister to him in response to the mistreatment he had suffered from the Pharisees. In this act of caring, the man could see who Jesus really was.

Conversion — the purification of our spiritual vision — takes place in the fire of our sufferings as we recognize the love and concern that God has for us.

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**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

<b>Sat. Mar. 14</b>	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Florante Mesina (D)</b>
<b>Sun. Mar. 15</b>	8:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
	10:00 a.m.	Our COSJ Benefactors
	12:00 p.m.	Maria Newman (L)
	2:00 p.m.	The Souls in Purgatory (D) Latin Mass
<b>Mon. Mar. 16</b>	8:00 a.m.	Felicia Akouuru (D)
	12:00 p.m.	George Barrientos (D) Latin Mass
<b>Tues. Mar. 17</b>	8:00 a.m.	John Junier (D)
	12:00 p.m.	The Souls in Purgatory (D) Latin Mass
<b>Wed. Mar. 18</b>	8:00 a.m.	Yenner Lopez (L)
	12:00 p.m.	Irene Homick (D) (Latin Mass)
<b>Thur. Mar. 19</b>	8:00 a.m.	Anna Maria San Pedro (D)
	12:00 p.m.	Ronald & Carol Rita Mays (D) Latin Mass
<b>Fri. Mar. 20</b>	8:00 a.m.	Violeta Carnero (L)
	12:00 p.m.	Armida Huerta (D) Latin Mass
<b>Sat. Mar. 21</b>	8:00 a.m.	Miguel & Vincenta German (D)
	9:00 a.m.	John Rosenberger (D) Latin Mass

**FROM OUR PASTOR .....**

Please consider attending Mater Dolorosa's Parish Lenten Retreat, *Transforming the Desert of Lent: Universal Call to Holiness* with presenter Father Christopher LaRocca, OCD, on **Saturday, March 28th** from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. in the San Lorenzo Ruiz Hall. A simple lunch will be served. No registration required, everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.  
*Father Vito*



**COLLECTIONS**

**Collection Totals For March 8**

**First Collection: \$ 6,046.00**  
**Special Projects \$ 1,881.00**

**Our Second Collection this Sunday is for Catholic Relief Services**

**Our Second Collection next Sunday Our Special Projects Fund**

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

**ON LINE DONATIONS—SIMPLIFIED!**

You may scan the QR Code which will take you directly to the donation page on our website, or you may use the link provided below. Thank you for your support! All online donations will go through the Mater Dolorosa Church PayPal donation page: [https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=9MZ4QA7W5X6RQ](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=9MZ4QA7W5X6RQ).



**Please keep all those who are sick or unable to attend Mass in our parish family, in your prayers:**

*Jill Abalos, Maria Avendano, Linda Bagain, Esperanza Barba, Edward Barrientos, George Barrientos, Jason Bell, Benjamin Bonilla, Cleo Brazier, Dan Buntjer, Marlene Caballero, Ambrose Calonsag, Sionita Carmen, Zosimo Carmen, Charito Casanas, Elmira Castro Evelyn Cenni, Augusto Cepeda, Gael Cermenon, Monica Chew, Annalie Davanzo, Bernard deGuzman, Lucy Delahoussaye, John Dresser, Mario Evangelista, Luis Flores, Rodolfo Flores, Demetrio Gomez, Jr., Donald Gomez, Katherine Hernandez, Kristin Ibisate, Patricia Kelly, Sally Lacanlale; Anna Lee, Cindy Mak, Lina Mamerto, Efren Mendoza, Jr., Ricardo & Marina Menendez, Pat Mendoza, Lucy Ocampo, Antonio Ocbena, Antonio Paat, Francisco Quitugua, Gerald Ramos, Eleanora Rivera, Jim Rodriguez, Archie Sam, Gigi Sam, Brian Samujh, Erlinda Silverio, Ken Sweeney, Luis Torres, Jr., and Simeon Wee.*



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



Explore the Gospel as a family: John 9: 1-41 – Eyes Opened, Hearts Changed – The 4th Sunday of Lent invites us to see with the eyes of faith. The readings call us to recognize God’s work in unexpected ways and to look beyond outward appearances. They challenge us to live as children of light and to trust God’s purpose, even in times of struggle. Let the readings inspire you to grow in faith.

Go to the link below to read the readings for this weekend as a family; <https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/031526.cfm>

**Family Chat:** In today’s Gospel, blindness symbolizes lack of faith. Why do you think that some people did not believe that he was the Son of God and long-awaited Messiah even though they witnessed his miracles? In what way do you see Jesus working in your life? Why do you think some people today don’t believe in Jesus? What can be done to help people believe in him? **Family Challenge:** As a family, “see” the needs of your community. Select one of those needs and do a family project to help out with that need.

**Family Prayer:** Lord, open our eyes to see as you see. Help us to look beyond appearances and to trust in your purpose. Lead us out of darkness and into your light. Give us faith to follow you and courage to share your love. Amen. Information for this week’s column taken from <https://young-catholics.com/> and [www.52Sundays.com](http://www.52Sundays.com)

Visit the Family Faith Formation webpage (<https://www.mdssf.org/family-faith-formation>) for more information about our Family Faith Formation program. **OUR NEXT FAMILY FAITH FORMATION GATHERING IS SUNDAY MARCH 29, 2026**

**GOD BLESS the children of our parish** who received the SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION for the first time on Saturday, March 7, 2026. Angela Cua, Aleckz David, Brendan David, Mikhail Espiritu, Apollo Lainez, Xavier Osuwagu, Azucena Santiago-Reyes, Eduardo Santiago-Reyes, Brandon Wolf Please continue to pray for them and their families as they prepare for First Holy Communion to be received on Sunday, May 10, 2026 at the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

As we continue to accompany and pray for our elect, we approach and embrace the Scrutinies. The Scrutinies are rites for self-searching and repentance and have above all a spiritual purpose. They are meant to uncover and heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect and to bring out then strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good. The scrutinies are celebrated to deliver the elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ, who is the way, the truth, and the life. Please continue to pray for our Elect; Danny Shi, Nathan Muller and Robert Moroto



**Mater Dolorosa Music Ministry**  
**THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST**

**SUNG STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**Friday at 7pm      Mater Dolorosa Church**  
**March 27, 2026      1040 Miller Avenue**  
**Mass follows at 8pm      South San Francisco**

*We welcome donations for Mater Dolorosa Church and its music ministry*

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (ExMHC) Needed.** Our parish is seeking dedicated parishioners to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at Masses. If you are a regular communicant and feel called to assist the priest in distributing the Body of Christ, please prayerfully consider this meaningful ministry. Training will be provided at Mater Dolorosa and by the SF Archdiocese at a later date. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Fran in the parish office.

*Beginning on April 11th, Eucharistic Adoration will be extended to Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. You may fill out a sign up sheet to commit to a time, or just drop in to spend more time with our Lord, Jesus Christ, for this meaningful, powerful practice.*



**Stations of the Cross**

Every Friday at 7:00

Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
And Benediction

**Stations of the Cross in the Pieta Garden**

Every Wednesday 6:00 p.m.

**March 27<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. Musical Stations of the Cross**

Followed by Mass, Bilingual  
in Tagalog and English at 7:45 p.m.

**March 29<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday**

Sunday Masses at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 Noon  
& 2:00 p.m. (Latin Mass)

Palms will be blessed outside the church  
and then followed by a procession beginning at all the Masses.

**April 2<sup>nd</sup> Holy Thursday -Mass of the Lord's Supper**

7:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration following Mass  
in the St. Lorenzo Ruiz parish hall until Midnight.

**April 3<sup>rd</sup> , Good Friday – The Passion of the Lord**

**Confessions from 12:00 Noon until 8:00 p.m.**

1:30 p.m. Meditation on the Seven Last Words of Jesus  
by Rev. Fr. Andrew Mbinkar Berinyuy

2:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

3:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

7:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

**April 4<sup>th</sup> Holy Saturday – Easter Vigil**

8:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration following Mass until  
Midnight.

**April 5<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday**

Masses at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., & 12:00 Noon,  
& 2:00 p.m. (Latin Mass).

**Worship Schedule at Mater Dolorosa**

**SUNDAY**

6:30 AM MORNING PRAYER  
7:00 AM Deep Listening to Sacred Scripture  
8:00 AM HOLY MASS (English)  
8:00 AM Byzantine Divine Liturgy (COSJ Chapel)  
10:00 AM HOLY MASS (English)  
12:00 PM HOLY MASS (English)  
2:00 PM HOLY MASS (Latin)  
5:30 PM EVENING PRAYER (Gregorian Chant)  
6:00 PM Deep Listening to Scripture Readings

**MONDAY - FRIDAY**

6:00 AM Holy Hour/Eucharistic Adoration  
7:00 AM MORNING PRAYER (Gregorian Chant)  
7:30 AM Deep Listening to Scripture Readings  
8:00 AM HOLY MASS (English)  
*Followed by Eucharistic Procession on 1st Fridays*  
8:45 AM Eucharistic Adoration until 11:45 AM  
12:00 PM HOLY MASS (Latin)  
1:00 PM *Eucharistic Adoration until 7:00 p.m.*  
5:30 PM EVENING PRAYER (Gregorian Chant)  
7:00 PM Healing Mass First Fridays followed by  
Eucharistic Adoration until Midnight  
5:30 PM *Begin with Eucharistic Procession on Thursdays*  
6:00 PM Holy Hour/Eucharistic Adoration  
*End with Benediction on Thursdays*  
6:55 PM *Closing Prayer. Sung Prayer to Our Lady  
of Sorrows & St. Joseph, Followed by Individual  
Blessing with Holy Water*

**SATURDAY**

6:00 AM Holy Hour/Eucharistic Adoration  
7:00 AM MORNING PRAYER (Gregorian Chant)  
7:30 AM Deep Listening to Scripture Readings  
8:00 AM HOLY MASS (English)  
9:00 AM HOLY MASS (Latin)  
10:00 AM BYZANTINE DIVINE LITURGY  
(COSJ Chapel)  
3:00 PM CONFESSION  
3:30 PM First Saturday Eucharistic Adoration for Life  
4:00 PM EVENING PRAYER (Gregorian Chant)  
(First Saturdays Prayer 3:30 to 4:45 p.m.)  
4:30 PM Deep Listening to Scripture Readings  
5:00 PM HOLY MASS (Sunday Vigil—English)  
**SUNDAY**  
(See Bulletin Cover)



**Mater Dolorosa  
Parish Lenten Retreat**

TRANSFORMING THE  
*Desert of Lent:*  
Universal Call to Holiness



Presenter  
*Father Christopher LaRocca, OCD*

**Saturday, March 28, 2026  
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
San Lorenzo Ruiz Hall**

*No registration necessary.  
A simple lunch will be served.*



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Contact the Parish Office with questions

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