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March 23, 2025

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Parish Center Hours:

Monday—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 <u>only</u>: 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 3:00-4:00 p.m.

♦ 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 baptisms, 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.

♦ RCIA ♦

Contact Deacon Ramon de la Rosa

◆ PASTORAL STAFF ◆

Father Vito Perrone, COSJ, Priest-Monk, Pastor
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Dr. Jennifer Donelson, Music Director
Mr. Marlon Evangelista, Music Director
Ms. Aida Gamboa, Music Director
Mr. Bernardo Oritz, Parish Maintenance
Mr. James Rodriguez, Parish Maintenance

March 23, 2025 Today's Readings:

Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103: 1-4, 6-8, 11 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12; Luke 13:1-9

Mercy: How it Helps Others

How do you feel when someone who's been hurtful, cruel, or morally corrupt gets hit with a hardship that makes them suffer? Our natural tendency is to rejoice because justice has finally been meted



Jesus addresses this in this Sunday's Gospel reading. He wants us to understand that we cannot truthfully say that someone is a "greater sinner", even if that person is doing more damage than anyone else, is more unchristian than we are, or is blatantly an evil-doer.

Every person has been created in the image of God, even the worst ones. Those who display an opposite image are nonetheless loved by Jesus Christ, who died for them. It's a tragedy that they do not live as the person God created them to be, because this harms others. But it will be an even worse tragedy if no one invites them to turn their lives over to Christ by loving them as he loves them.

All those who have sinned against you are like the fig tree in Jesus' parable. If you have access to them, he wants you to till their soil. He wants you to fertilize their souls with love and with the truth of the Gospel as taught by your actions and, when they're ready, by your words. After (and only after) we have done everything possible, if the evil-doer does not want to change, the best care we can give to the garden is to cut down the tree. This means walking away or calling in the authorities for intervention and letting the sinner reap what he sows. This, too, is very loving.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

| Sat. March 22 | 5:00 p.m. | People of the Parish |
|----------------|-------------------------|--|
| Sun. March 23 | | Dion Huey (D) Annie Agleham (L) Jim Rodriguez (L) Rosa Carasco (D) Latin Mass |
| Mon. March 24 | 8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. | Bob Tobin (D) Vita Moskal (L) (Latin Mass) |
| Tues. March 25 | 8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. | Arminia Salting (L) Cynthia May Valentine (L) Latin Mass |
| Wed. March 26 | 8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. | Gina Castro (L) Eulalia Hueta (D) (Latin Mass) |
| Thur. March 27 | 8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. | Jim Rodriguez (L) Katie Biggins (D) (Latin Mass) |
| Fri. March 28 | | Priest's Intention Nataly Zagornyak (L) (Latin Mass) |
| Sat. March 29 | 8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. | Lilie Villaluna (L) Basyl Strazhnyk (D) (Latin Mass) |

Dear Mater Dolorosa Parishioners,

I pray that as we prepare during Lent for a brilliant Holy Week that all of you will discover the truth behind the famous words of St. Teresa of Avila, Doctor of the Church: "God dwells with you, and there you should dwell with Hm" How does Jesus get within you? Most surely via the Holy Eucharist! Let us continue the Eucharist Revival in our beautiful Parish Community by coming to a deeper realization of God with us after Holy Communion. Let us, while we are in Eucharistic Adoration or during Mass, discover as St. Augustine says: "God is closer to us than we are to ourselves!" This will truly be our Easter joy!

God's blessings, Fr. Vito Perrone



COLLECTIONS

First Collection M & I

For March 16th \$ 3,993.00 \$ 1,740.00

Our Second Collection this Sunday is for St. Vincent de Paul Our Second Collection next Sunday is for Catholic Relief Services

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

ON LINE DONATIONS

Hello Donors of Mater Dolorosa Church, This is to inform you that the online donation app on the Mater Dolorosa Church website has been updated. All online donations will now go through the Mater Dolorosa Church PayPal donation page: 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:

Linda Bagain, Jason Bell,

Cleo Brazier, Dan Buntjer, Marlene Caballero, Ambrose Calonsag, Sionita Carmen, Zosimo Carmen, Charito Casanas, Evelyn Cenni, Augusto Cepeda, 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, Lina Mamerto, Efren Mendoza, Jr., Ricardo & Marina Menendez, Pat Mendoza, Antonio Ocbena, Antonio Paat, Francisco Quitugua, Jim Rodriguez, Eleanora Rivera, Archie Sam, Gigi Sam, David Scatena, Ken Sweeney, and Simeon Wee.

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



Explore the Gospel as a family: Luke 9: 28-36

A Call to Repentance and The Parable of the Barren Fig Tree – Go to the link below to read the Gospel as a family and talk about the questions in the family chat. https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/032325.cfm

Family Chat: In today's story, Jesus tells us to

repent. To repent is to be sorry for something you've done wrong. Why is it important to repent?

Family Challenge: As a family, go to the sacrament of Reconciliation this week. Our confession schedule at Mater Dolorosa is 3pm – 4pm on Saturdays Liturgy Link: Purple is the liturgical color for Lent, and it represents repentance (turning away from sin). Where do you see purple at Mass today? Fun Facts: During Lent, those preparing to be baptized at the Easter Vigil participate in three rites called the Scrutinies, which happen on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Sundays of Lent. The Scrutinies and the readings for these Masses offer a special chance for personal reflection and self-examination for those preparing for baptism.

<u>Family Fun:</u> Shadow Art - Using shadow art, consider retelling today's parable of the fig tree.

Take a disposable cup and cut out the bottom of the cup. Cover the top of the cup tightly with plastic wrap. Using Sharpies, draw different shapes, animals, landscapes, etc., on the plastic wrap. Find a clear space on a solid, lightly colored wall; if you don't have one, hang a light-colored sheet or blanket up. Use a flashlight on the bottom of the cup and project your drawn image onto the wall. Tell a story about your different characters or retell the parable of the fig tree in today's Gospel. Make shadow puppets to interact with your drawings as well.

<u>Family Prayer:</u> Prayer for those in Religious Life - Inspired by St. Rafqa Pietra Choboq Ar-Rayes, pray today for those in religious life and for those who may be called to join a religious order.

Heavenly Father, in Your wisdom, You have called certain women and men to a life of special consecration. In prayerful observance of a lifestyle of poverty, chastity, and obedience, they are witnesses to us and show us that, as St. Paul says, "Our true citizenship is in heaven." Give them, Lord, the grace of joy and perseverance as they live their holy vocation. Surround those feeling called to join a religious order with your peace. Guide their steps and connect them with the order that best uses their charisms and gifts. Help them find a community through which they can serve You and the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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REMINDER: Continue to pray for your family prayer partners. <u>Our next FFF family gathering will be on April 2.</u> For more information about our Family Faith Formation program please contact Mrs. Felisa Cepeda in the Family Faith Formation office at mscepeda@mdssf.org

Knights of Columbus thanks all the parishioners for donating to our crochet fundraising for our seminarians. Here are images of a check being presented to Deacon Maurice Tokay during hospitality on March 9, 2025. So far we distributed more than \$3500 to four seminarians!



The Saint Vincent de Paul Ministry will be accepting donations of NEW blankets on behalf of our poor and needy farm workers in Pescadero. There will be a bin located in the vestibule of the church to place these desperately needed items that will provide much warmth during these cold nights.

God bless you for your kindness, compassion and for your almsgiving during this Lent.





A Mater Dolorosa Parish Mission

Stations of the Cross every
Friday at 6:30
followed by Mass at 7:00 p.m.
The Transforming Desert of Lent:
Pondering the Word with our Blessed Mother, Mary
Homilies on our Parish Mission theme given by
Father Christopher LaRocca, OCD
Friday, March 21st, 7:00 p.m. &
Friday, March 28th, 7:00 p.m.

April 4th 7:00 p.m. Healing Mass, Bilingual in Spanish & English April 11th 6:30 p.m. Musical Stations of the Cross Followed by Mass, Bilingual in Tagalog and English at 7:45 p.m.



Join us for a Musical STATIONS OF THE CROSS



FRIDAY
APRIL 11, 2025
6:30PM
FOLLOWED BY MASS

Come pray, reflect, and view clips from "The Passion of the Christ" as the Mater Dolorosa Music Ministry sings after each station.

A Free Will Offering to Mater Dolorosa Church and its Music Ministry will be greatly appreciated.

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Here I am Lord, I've Come to do Your Will

Would you like to deepen your faith and would you like to know the Way to union with

God? Would you like to save not just your soul, your loved ones' souls, but also thousands of souls around you? The Contemplative of St. Joseph will show you the way to do so.

The Contemplatives of St. Joseph Third Order (COSJ-TO) is starting a

new formation group in the fall. Come and see how to imitate our great Patron - St. Joseph, a contemplative lay man; and how to live our whole lives rooted in prayer just like him, in order to save thousands of souls. For more information, please contact betti@mdssf.org or 650-302-6252.

Knights of Columbus - COR program

COR is Latin for heart. Prayer, Formation and Fraternity all begin with the heart and direct the heart in relationship to God and each other.

WHAT: COR is open to the men of the parish and is a meeting that consists of prayer, formation and fraternity (brotherhood). The meeting will be led by Fr. Andrew Berinyuy. WHEN: April 5, 6:30 to 8 pm (immediately following the 5 pm mass) WHERE: St. Lorenzo Ruiz Mater Dolorosa Church hall.

Knights of Columbus SILVER ROSE PRAYER SERVICE

Through the Silver Rose Program, the Knights honor not only Our Lady of Guadalupe and express the unity of the the Knights of Columbus but we also reaffirm our dedication to the sanctity of human life. It is to the Blessed Mother that we turn in prayer as we work to end the Culture of Death that grips our society. As we think in terms of 'One Life, One Rose,' it is most appropriate that we turn to Our Lady of Guadalupe who made known her will through Juan Diego and the miracle of the roses."

PLEASE COME TO THE 8 AM MASS on APRIL 1 where we will celebrate mass and pray the rosary and Silver Rose prayers to Our Lady of Guadalupe to protect the unborn.



OUR FLAG FOR MARCH ST. JOSEPH

Worship Schedule at Mater Dolorosa

| 6:30 AM | MORNING PRAYER |
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| 7.00 AM | Doon Lictoring to Sac |

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

SUNDAY

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

5:00 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

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)

