

ST. CALLISTUS CATHOLIC CHURCH
3580 San Pablo Dam Road, El Sobrante, CA 94803

February 17, 2019 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

BLESSED

When we think of the word "Beatitude" we think of today's discourse from Luke's Gospel, or the more familiar one from Matthew (which begins "Blessed are the poor in spirit . . ."). Actually, beatitudes occur throughout the prophets and Gospels. Today in Jeremiah (with an echo in the psalm) we hear, "Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord" (Jeremiah 17:7). Following His resurrection in John's Gospel, Christ proclaims, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed" (John 20:29).

The evangelists placed these sayings throughout the Gospels as short reminders about the characteristics that one will find in a follower of Christ, characteristics that will help spread the Good News in this life and lead to eternal blessings in the next. In Latin, the saints are called the Beati, the "Blessed," for they are the ones who lived the "blessed" life as described by Jesus throughout the Gospels.

How blest are we, when we also strive to make our own days a living beatitude!

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**VALENTINES' DAY PANCAKE
BREAKFAST**

Sunday Feb. 17 8:00AM to 11:00AM
Parish Hall

The Knights of Columbus of St. Callistus invite you to their Annual Valentines' Day Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, February 17th, in the Parish Hall. Breakfast will be served from 8:00AM to 11:00AM. Menu includes pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, fresh fruits and coffee. Donation: \$8.00 per person; 14 years old and below: \$4.00. Proceeds will support a seminarian in our Diocese. Come and enjoy fellowship with family and friends. Thank you for your continued support.

The Knights of Columbus
St. Callistus, Council 10244

**"Blessed are you who are poor,
for the kingdom of God is yours.
Blessed are you who are now hungry,
for you will be satisfied."**

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The one who trusts in the Lord is like a tree planted beside the waters (Jeremiah 17:5-8).

Psalm — Blessed are they who hope in the Lord (Psalm 1).

Second Reading — Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep (1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20).

Gospel — Blessed are you who are poor, hungry, weeping. Woe to you who are rich, filled, laughing (Luke 6:17, 20-26).

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday, Feb. 18: Presidents' Day. It is a holiday.
The Parish Office will be CLOSED.

Friday, Feb. 22: Chair of St. Peter the Apostle;
Washington's Birthday

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The 2018 Income Statement / 2019 Budget is now available. A copy is posted in the Bulletin Board in the vestibule, for you to look at.

If you wish to have a copy, please contact the Parish Office.

If you have any questions, please contact the Finance Committee. The members of the Finance Committee are:

Geny Fabella
Roberta Jalbert
Marris Dongallo
Manny Villasica

PLEASE TAKE CARE: With the freezing-cold weather, please take good care of yourself and be considerate of your fellow parish member. If you feel you are coming down with a cold, or coughing, or feeling flu-like symptoms, please take the necessary precautions and preventive measures. Thank you for your kind understanding and cooperation for the good health of us all.

PAULINE (BOOKS & MEDIA) BOOK FAIR

The Daughters of St. Paul, women religious who communicate Christ using all forms of media, will be present here at St. Callistus **after all the Masses on the weekend of March 2 & 3.** The Sisters have a wide variety of Bibles, books, movies, music rosaries and other gifts, for both children and adults. They have something for the whole family.

Come and check them out after all the Masses that weekend.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES TRANSFORMING LIVES TOUR

Catholic Charities of the East Bay is the social services arm of the Diocese of Oakland, and one of the largest providers of social services in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. **We help families in need and who are marginalized. To learn more about how you can volunteer and get more engaged, please sign up for a Catholic Charities Transforming Lives Tour.** At the Tour you will learn about legal immigration and refugee resettlement services, homelessness prevention through housing, school-based behavioral health services programs for youth, grief counseling and family support for victims of crime.

To register please visit www.cceb.org/getinvolved/transforming-lives-tour.

MAGNIFICAT PRAYER BREAKFAST

Magnificat SOTI, a Ministry for Catholic Women, invites all women for their prayer breakfast on March 9, 9:30am to 12:30PM at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 45 John Glenn Drive, Concord.

Barbara Nicolosi Harrington, a Hollywood writer, producer, story consultant and production company executive for over 20 years will be the speaker. Men are always welcome. Tickets are \$33/\$40 after March 2.

For more information: <https://magnificat-ministry.net/ca-walnut-creek>. Email Magnificatsotirsvp@gmail.com or call Kim Sullivan at 925-683-8220 for tickets or questions.

PALM LEAVES - ASH WEDNESDAY 2019

If you have any dried palm leaves from Lent 2018, and would like to donate them, please bring them to the Church and place them in the basket labeled "PALMS" located on the back table in the Church. The Palms will be burned and use the ashes for Ash Wednesday on March 6. Thank you.

WORKS OF MERCY

Please consider doing a work of mercy to someone in need: give food to the hungry, a coat to someone living in the cold weather; forgive willingly. A work of mercy can be one or any of the works mentioned above.

You can also offer a spiritual work of mercy. Today, pray for someone: a family member, a friend, a sick person, a neighbor. Pray!

Pray for the Deceased



Please pray for the repose of the soul of

MARJORIE JONES

Her family wishes to thank St. Callistus for bringing Communion regularly to Ms. Marjorie. Please pray also for the family of Ms. Marjorie in the loss of their loved one.

PLEASE PRAY for

...the SICK and/or HOME-BOUND in our parish family,

Faye Eaton	Juanita Estrelles	Rose Riepel
Gilbert Estrada, Sr.	Tommy Garcia	Georgann Chiozza
Lisa Savio	Theresa Padilla	Faustino Aguilar
Josefa Frondozo	Rebecca Mowbray	Consolacion Aguilar
Suzie Lata Prasad	Joanne Northcutt	Charlene Nichols
Jeno Szabo	Lilia Szabo	Joyce Smith
Rosa Barbara	Jim Briones	Celina Gonzales
Laura Peters	Lilia Oseguera	Joel Rivera
John Jeanpierre	Angelita Tantoco	Lino Destacamento
Dan Craighead	Lee Peres	David Trejo
Ydalia Deleón & Children	Liling Hernandez	Avelina Juat
Venancio Talao	Lyda Mata	Fred Granzella
Albert Tamayo	Carie Chew	Vincent Dimalanta
Robert Maloney		

Please pray for all the family and friends listed in the Book of Prayers in the Church, and all those who are in home care facilities, and the homeless.

Rev. Jimmy Thottapally, Pastor

Schedule of Masses and Devotions

Saturday Mass 8:30 A.M. Saturday Vigil 5:15 P.M.

Sunday Masses ...8:00 A.M. 10:00 A.M. 12:00 Noon

Every Sunday 10:00 A.M. - Children's Liturgy

Weekday Mass 8:30 A.M. Daily

Holy Day of Obligation Masses 8:30 A.M. & 7:30 P.M.

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00 P.M. to 4:45 P.M. (Other times by appointment with Priest)

Rosary and Chaplet of The Divine Mercy - Monday thru Saturday after the 8:30 A.M. Mass.

Holy Hour and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Every Wednesday 9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

Mother of Perpetual Help: Every Thursday after the 8:30 A.M. Mass

Hispanic Prayer Group - Every First and Third Thursday 7:00 P.M.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Every First Friday 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
Benediction at 3:00 P.M.**

Parish Staff

**Marina Zamora, Office Manager
Estrell Bautista, Office Secretary
Gilbert Estrada, Administrative Assistant**

**Office Hours: 8:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Monday - Friday
(12:00 Noon to 12:30 P.M. closed for lunch)**

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**RCIA Program Director: Marisse Dongallo
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Pastoral Council

Bernie Rocco, Facilitator (510) 406-6460

Youth Ministry

Beatriz Lopez, Coordinator.....(510) 222-0432

Other Ministries/Services

Knights of Columbus

Leandro Darosa, Grand Knight 225-5302

St. Vincent de Paul Conference 243-7501

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery 234-2012

Baptism of Infants: Make arrangements with priest at least six (6) weeks in advance. Parents must be *registered parishioners of St. Callistus* for at least 3 months.

Weddings: Make arrangements with priest at least six (6) months in advance.

MASS INTENTIONS FROM FEB. 17 THROUGH FEB. 23

SAT.	5:15 P.M.	Vicente, Sr. & Joseph Revecho ☩☩ by The Revecho Family
SUN.	8:00 A.M.	Milagros Aida Layda ☩ by Chat Rosete
	10:00 A.M.	People of the Parish of St. Callistus
	12:00 Noon	Luz Solemnidad ☩ by Fannie Regines & Family
MON.	8:30 A.M.	John Borzoni ☩ by Lino & Marisa Marcucci and Gaudencio Mejia ☩ (1st Year Death Anniversary) by Milette Mejia & Family
TUE.	8:30 A.M.	Felicidad Aguila-Palma ☩ (Death Anniversary) by Menchie Palma & Family and Romulo Patigas ☩ by Fannie Regines & Family
WED.	8:30 A.M.	Bernardino Ancheta, Sr. ☩ by Lilian Esguerra & Family
THU.	8:30 A.M.	Catalina Ferra-Ostolaza ☩ by Marisol Zapater-Ferra
FRI.	8:30 A.M.	Luz Solemnidad ☩ by Nieves Alviar
SAT	8:30 A.M.	Felicidad Aguila-Palma ☩ (Birthday) by Menchie Palma & Family

~ EVENTS' SCHEDULE - WEEK OF FEBRUARY 17TH ~

SUN.	8:00 A.M.	Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast
MON.		OFFICE CLOSED - PRESIDENT'S DAY HOLIDAY <u>NO</u> Confirmation Class - PRESIDENT'S DAY HOLIDAY
TUE.	7:00 P.M.	RCIA Class
	7:00 P.M.	Young Adults Meeting
THU.	7:00 P.M.	Hispanic Prayer Group Meeting
	7:00 P.M.	Leadership Group Meeting - in Church
FRI.	6:00 P.M.	Choir Practice - St. Cecilia's Room
SAT.	9:30 A.M.	Faith Formation Class



Sunday Collection	2/10	\$3,512.19
Church Flowers	2/10	\$1,267.96

**Second Collection for Sunday, February 24th
Faith Formation Support**

Thank you for your offerings. May God bless you all for your generosity.