

WELCOME TO ST. CALLISTUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

3580 San Pablo Dam Road, El Sobrante, CA 94803

February 3, 2019 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

AN ONGOING MISSION

In His hometown synagogue, Jesus' neighbors are amazed by His words. Nevertheless, they remind each other, "Is this not Joseph's son?"

Surely the people know who He is. The carpenter's son. The young man who had learned in this very synagogue. The boy down the street.

Conflict arises as Jesus begins to define Himself in a new way. When He compares Himself to the ancient prophets Elijah and Elisha, the tensions grow. The tensions multiply when Jesus begins to tell of a new mission for God's people: the good news of the scriptures is intended for all.

In his famous passage from the First Letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul reminds us of the eternal nature of love. Love does not come to an end. In today's readings, we are reminded that, like love, Jesus' mission cannot be contained. Jesus slips through the crowd of persecutors and moves on to new challenges. We are called to this same perseverance in the name of love.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD (Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19).

Psalms — I will sing of your salvation (Psalm 71).

Second Reading — If I have all faith so as to move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing (1 Corinthians 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]).

Gospel — No prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown (Luke 4:21-30).

February 8, Friday: International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking. Please pray for this intention.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

...to the priesthood and the religious. May our young men and women be inspired by the Holy Spirit to answer God's call to priesthood and consecrated life, and courageously follow God's will.



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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The song of the angels, "Holy, Holy, Holy," resounds from our lips at every Mass. There was a widespread belief in the first religions of the world that God stirred creation into being by a word, a song, a musical note. Music and a sense of God's presence have always been inseparable. In the liturgy, your voice is invited into this song as the priest names the reasons for our praise. "Heaven and earth are full of your glory," and we are not passive onlookers, but participants in this glory. Catholic prayer no longer assigns this angelic hymn to a choir, but gives it to you to sing. Even if your voice is thought to be suitable only for a well-insulated shower stall, you are called into this song.

We are born to sing—just listen to a baby testing the full range of newly-discovered vocal abilities. Soon we get shushed and hushed into quiet, and given lots of messages that our voices are unwanted, and that we need to raise our hands in order to be heard. All of that is overturned in liturgy, the place where God waits to hear us come alive in the song of all creation. In heaven, everyone's in the choir; why not start practicing now?

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Pope Francis often speaks about service to others. In fact, Pope Francis specifically stated “The credibility of the Church and of the Christian message rests entirely on how Christians serve those marginalized by society.”

Catholic Charities of the East Bay provides many volunteer opportunities to serve others in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. To learn more about these opportunities, please contact Annie Banbury, Volunteer Program Coordinator at 510.768.3166.

Catholic Charities of the East Bay is the social services arm of the Diocese of Oakland and one of the largest provider of social services throughout Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. We help families in need and who are marginalized. To learn more about YOUR non-profit and how you can volunteer and get more engaged, sign up for a Catholic Charities **Transforming Lives 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:

<http://www.cceb.org/get-involved/transforming-lives-tour/>

For more info: contact Stephan Pippen at spippen@cceb.org or 510-768-3133.

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”. The basket will be placed on the back table in the Church. The Palms will be burned and use the ashes for Ash Wednesday on March 6. Thank you.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

February 9, 2019 Mass at 11:00AM

At the Cathedral of Christ The Light

World Day of the Sick, initiated by Pope Saint John Paul II and held annually worldwide near the Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes, is a ministry of the Diocese of Oakland and Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ.

Bishop Barber invites all who are sick or ill, as well as family members, caregivers and healthcare providers, to observe this day with him and many priests, religious and laity from throughout the Diocese. Please join us in this special opportunity to pray for healing and hope in this fragile population. No RSVP is necessary.



FEAST DAY OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES Monday February 11

Please pray the Rosary to Our Lady of Lourdes, to intercede for the healing of the sick members of our family, our Parish and friends; and in thanksgiving for all her intercessions for us.

CASINO TRIP FUNDRAISING

There are a few seats left for the Casino Trip on Saturday on February 9th. You still have an opportunity to make your reservations. Join us in this fun trip to raise funds for the refurbishing of the Church door.

Reservation forms are in the vestibule, or call Guia Gorospe at 510-734-9289. Please submit your completed form and check payable to St. Callistus, to the Parish Office.



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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 Frondoza	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		Avelina Juat
Venancio Talao	Liling Hernandez	Fred Granzella
Albert Tamayo	Lyda Mata	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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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. 3 THROUGH FEB. 9

SAT.	5:15 P.M.	People of the Parish of St. Callistus
SUN.	8:00 A.M.	Elouise English ☩ by Jessie English & Family and Rev. Dan Danielson ☩
	10:00 A.M.	Bill Wierenga ☩ by Tony & Geny Fabella
	12:00 Noon	Francisco Bautista (Living, Birthday) by Lourdes & Family
MON.	8:30 A.M.	Marife Ferrer ☩ by Myrna Villasica
TUE.	8:30 A.M.	Josie Esperanza ☩ by The Esperanza Family and Esther Santos ☩ by The Santos Family
WED.	8:30 A.M.	Gilbert Paz (Living) by The Paz Family
THU.	8:30 A.M.	Eogham O'Sullivan (Living, Birthday) by Agnes & Dennis Uldricks
FRI.	8:30 A.M.	Luz Solemnidad ☩ by Sabiha Campbell and Bill Wierenga ☩ by Nelly Pichay
SAT	8:30 A.M.	Gilbert Angelo Estrada (Living, 50th Birthday) by The Estrada Family

~ EVENTS' SCHEDULE - WEEK OF FEBRUARY 3RD ~

MON.	7:00 P.M. Hospitality Ministry Meeting
	7:00 P.M. Confirmation Class
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	1/27	\$4,265.21
Faith Formation Support	1/27	\$1,300.79

**Second Collection for Sunday, February 10th
Church Flowers**

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