

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

DURING LENT, PLEASE REMEMBER:

Next Wednesday, February 14 is Ash Wednesday. We will have two Masses that day: one at the usual time 8:30 AM and the other at 7:30PM. Ashes will be blessed and distributed at both the Masses.

Ash Wednesday is a day of OBLIGATORY FASTING AND ABSTINENCE. The obligation to fast, that is, eat only one full meal, is for all individuals between the ages of 18 and 59 (except for those who have serious health reasons). Eating two smaller meals is allowed if needed to maintain strength; but eating between meals is not.

Also, all Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence from meat and meat products. **Good Friday** is a day of fasting and abstinence.

We will have **Stations of the Cross** on all Fridays of Lent at **7:30PM.** Please note schedule below.



Parish Ministries scheduled to lead the Stations of the Cross:

- Feb. 16 - Hospitality Ministry**
- Feb. 23 - Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers & Mass Coordinators**
- March 2 - Ushers & Greeters**

March 9 - Young Adults

March 16 - St. Vincent de Paul

March 23 - RCIA & Youth Confirmation Members

PLEASE GET MARRIED IN THE CHURCH

There are people in our parish who are married according to civil law but not married in the Church, or just living together as husband and wife with no marriage at all. This is not right and this is not what God wants. Also, people in that condition can not receive Holy Communion or any other sacraments. They can come back to the Sacraments by getting married in the Church, and it is not hard to do that, contrary to what some people may think. I will do whatever I can for that. If you are in this situation, please call me or the Parish Office this week or next week and we will go from there. Also, if you know someone else in this situation, please encourage them to call me or the Office. Lent is a very special time of **God's call to us to make the changes needed in our life. Jesus is the healer and He wants to heal us. Please give Jesus a chance.**

FR. JIMMY.

**SIXTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**
February 11, 2018

**PSALM 32: "I TURN TO YOU, LORD, IN
TIME OF TROUBLE; AND ...**



REFLECTION

In the Jewish culture at the time of Jesus, the name leprosy was used rather loosely; even skin diseases such as ringworm, psoriasis or eczema were considered leprosy. But even such diseases were serious matter. For one thing, they could be contagious - supposedly or really - but worse, they were thought to make a person spiritually unclean and so unfit to participate in the worship of the community, and the patient was to be quarantined. There were rules for this quarantine. The patient was to report to the priest who diagnosed the case not as a physician but as a minister of the Mosaic law and would decide the length of the quarantine. This necessitated a second visit to the priest who would judge if or not the person was cured and thus fit or unfit to return to the community. In today's First Reading we hear a part of the directives in the law in this regard, and in the Gospel Jesus is telling the cured leper to make the second visit to the priest.

Sin is leprosy of the soul, and it is far worse than physical leprosy as it makes us unfit to come before the Lord. Jesus came to heal us of this evil and lead us back to God. He healed us of this leprosy by undergoing the Passion of the Cross.

In two days we will start the season of Lent which calls us to intensely meditate upon our sin, and the suffering and death of Jesus. Let us enter into Lent in all earnestness.

Fr. Jimmy.



**Sunday, Feb. 11 is the
Feast Day of
Our Lady of Lourdes.**

Please offer a Rosary to Our Lady, to intercede for us and for the healing of the sick members of our family, and of our Parish community.

On this day, we also celebrate World Day of the Sick and World Marriage Day. Please pray for these intentions.



*From Death
to New Life*

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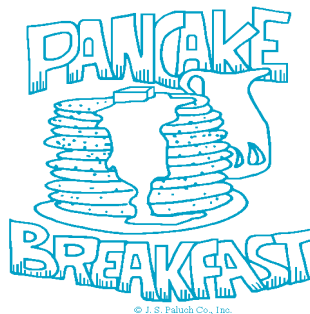
Please pray for the repose of the soul of **JOSIE ESPERANZA**, who passed away last Thursday. Josie was a most faithful and devoted member of our parish. She and her husband Bert Esperanza used to come to Mass everyday and prayed the Rosary, until Josie's health slowed her down. Please pray for Bert and the Esperanza family. We will all miss Josie.

Please pray also for the repose of the souls of **ELOUISE P. ENGLISH** and **GERTRUDE D. CRANE**. Ms. English was a long-time parishioner of St. Callistus. Remember in your prayers the English and the Crane families in the loss of their loved one.



Faye Eaton	Juanita Estrelles	Rose Riepel
Gilbert Estrada, Sr.	Tommy Garcia	Georgann Chiozza
Lisa Savio	Theresa Padilla	Faustino Aguilar
Maria Garcia	Josefa Frondoza	Mae Banks
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	Julie Dracopoulos	
Ydalia Deleón & Children		

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.



Start your Valentine's Day celebration with hot breakfast **today Sunday** in the Parish Hall from 8:00AM to 11:30AM. It is the Knights of Columbus' Annual Pancake Breakfast. Bring your family and enjoy fellowship with family and friends.

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY TO ALL!

From
Feb. 11th



Through
Feb. 17th

SAT	5:15 P.M.	Kenneth Perera ✠ by Nimal & Sweena de Silva
SUN	8:00 A.M.	People of the Parish of St. Callistus Church
	10:00 A.M.	Pablo & Melisa Aurea ✠✠ by Josefa O. Rozul
	12:00 Noon	Sin lu Helena Fan ✠ by Tony & Geny Fabella and Irineo Lontoc ✠ by Alex & Didi
MON	8:30 A.M.	John A. Campbell ✠ by Sabiha Campbell and Joe Miller ✠ by Violet Miller
TUE	8:30 A.M.	David Rocco ✠ by Estrell & Butch and Josie Esperanza ✠ by Estrell & Butch
WED	8:30 A.M.	All Souls in Purgatory ✠ by Elisa N. Dris
	7:30 P.M.	Leobardo Perez ✠ by Graciela Perez
THU.	8:30 A.M.	Primo & Jovita Castaneda ✠✠ by The Canoy Family
FRI.	8:30 A.M.	Elouise English ✠ by The Symonds Family
SAT	8:30 A.M.	Thanksgiving by Jason Villasica

~ EVENTS' SCHEDULE - WEEK OF FEBRUARY 11TH ~

SUN.	8:00 A.M.	Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast
	1:30 P.M.	First Communion Parents Meeting
MON.	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.	St. Vincent de Paul Home Visit Conference
	7:00 P.M.	Leadership Group Meeting - in Church
	7:00 P.M.	Hispanic Prayer Group Meeting
FRI.	6:00 P.M.	Choir Practice - St. Cecilia's Room
	7:30 P.M.	Stations of the Cross
SAT.		NO Faith Formation Class - President's Week



CLEANLINESS IN OUR CHURCH

Please help in keeping **OUR** Church clean and tidy all the time. Before you leave your seat after Mass, please check for used kleenex/tissues, empty bottled water, used or unused paper towels, and put them in the proper receptacles.

A few parishioners stay after Mass and take the time to put away Missalettes and Music books properly back in the pews. **YOU** can also help in this regard by putting the books that you used inside the book's holder in the pew. It is the Catholic way. **THANK YOU.**

“ DO EVERYTHING FOR THE GLORY OF GOD”.

1-Corinthians 10:31

Rev. Jimmy Thottapally, Pastor

(510) 223-1153

Parish Office Hours: 8:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Monday - Friday

(12:00 Noon to 12:30 P.M. closed for lunch)

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.



Sunday Collection	2/4	\$3,745.90
Parish Maintenance	2/4	\$1,498.10

Collection for Wed., February 14th - Rice Bowl
Second Collection for Sunday, February 18th
St. Vincent de Paul

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

Parish Staff

Gwen Eyike, Office Manager

Estrell Bautista, Office Secretary

Gilbert Estrada, Administrative Assistant

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Parish Ministries

Children's Faith Formation (CCD/RCIC)

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Confirmation Program : Beatriz Lopez, Director
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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

Patrick Jalbert, Grand Knight 367-4595

St. Vincent de Paul Conference 243-7501

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery 234-2012

Baptism of Infants (510) 223-1153

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 (510) 223-1153

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in advance.

