

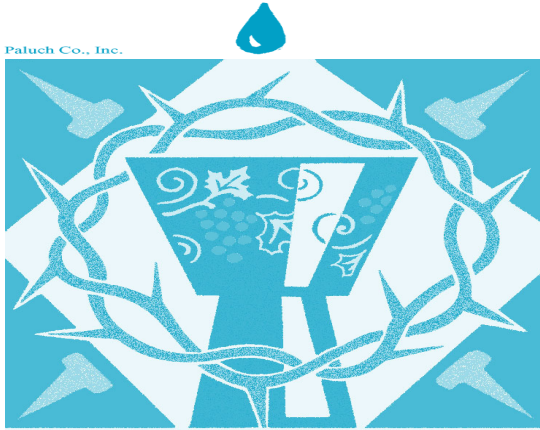
ST. CALLISTUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

3580 San Pablo Dam Road
El Sobrante



**THIS IS THE BLOOD
OF THE COVENANT**

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Today, as we celebrate the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, let us remember that the Eucharist is the re-presentation of that supreme sacrifice of the Lord. Every time the Eucharist is celebrated the redemptive work of the Lord is re-enacted. Let us be ever grateful to our dear Lord for this marvelous gift, let us love the Eucharist, venerate it with the greatest devotion and let us recommit ourselves to be always faithful to Him.

Fr. Jimmy.



FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART

Next Friday, June 8 is the Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and it is a very major feast. I would encourage you to go for Mass that day if possible, pray to the Sacred Heart commending to it yourself, your family and our parish community, and show your love and gratitude to the Heart of Jesus that was pierced for our offenses. The Heart of Jesus is a sure refuge for our salvation. *Fr. Jimmy.*

COMMUNITY PRAYER: Our Community Prayer on Monday evenings will resume on Monday June 4th at 7:30. Please come join us.

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

June 3, 2018

REFLECTION

The setting of today's First Reading is the desert of Sinai. Having delivered the Israelites from their slavery in Egypt, God is making a covenant with them, a solemn pact by which they would be His special possession.

The way the event is presented itself points to the gravity of the matter. Moses relates to the people "the words and ordinances of the Lord", he arranges sacrifices to be offered, he reads out the Book of the covenant and, making the people pledge to do "all that the Lord commands", sprinkles on them some of the blood of the animals sacrificed, Blood was a symbol of life for the Jews. Moses' sprinkling blood on the people made the covenant binding on them. Thus at Sinai God and his people were bound together into a most solemn and serious bond. Blood is the focus of the other two Readings of today also. Reminding his readers of the high priest entering the holy of holies of the Temple with blood of the sacrificed animals and sprinkling it on the arc of the covenant for the forgiveness of the people's sins, Paul tells them that Jesus entered the highest heaven, the presence of God, with his own blood poured out for the forgiveness of their, and our sins. In the Gospel Jesus himself says, **"This is my blood of the covenant, the new and ultimate covenant, for the forgiveness of our sins"**.

In the Bible, a covenant is ratified in blood, because the death of the victim has a finality about it and it makes the covenant irrevocable. Through his death on the Cross Jesus, and in him God, has entered into an irrevocable covenant of love with us. It is through the blood of Jesus that our salvation has been achieved. God calls us to honor our part of this irrevocable covenant by being devoted to Him closely.

Fr. Jimmy.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you (Exodus 24:3-8).

Psalm — I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord (Psalm 116).

Second Reading — Christ is the mediator of a new covenant (Hebrews 9:11-15).

Gospel — This is my body. This is my blood of the covenant (Mark 14:12-16, 22-26).



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR PASTOR

Father Jimmy will celebrate his birthday on Monday June 11. Let us pray for him, and thank God that He sent Father Jimmy to us as our Pastor for the last 12 years.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FATHER JIMMY! OUR LOVE AND PRAYERS ON YOUR BIRTHDAY AND ALWAYS!

From The St. Callistus Parish Family.

FATHER'S DAY NOVENA

Our Father's Day Novena will start on Sunday, June 17 thru Monday, June 25. The Novena Mass cards are available on the tables by the entrance to the Church. Please fill out the envelope and place it in the basket near the Altar with your offering.

Having Masses offered for them is our sacred duty. Also, praying for our parents and remembering our Dad through prayers is one of the gifts we could offer him.

NEWLY ORDAINED TO PRIESTHOOD

Last May 25, three (3) were ordained to the Sacred Order of Presbyters for the Diocese of Oakland by the Most Reverend Michael C. Barber, SJ, Bishop of Oakland, at the Cathedral of Christ The Light. The three Priests are Fr. Jose Arturo Bazan, Fr. Jimmy Macalinao, and Fr. Mario Samuel Rizzo. Please pray for them and also pray in thanksgiving to the Almighty Triune God.

In case you missed this message from the 5/20/2018 Bulletin: AT THE GROTTA

Please come visit the Blessed Mother at the Grotto. If you have not noticed it, the roses are in bloom and are beautiful! A flower vase box has also been placed on both sides at the foot of the Grotto. These 2 flower boxes contain flower vases. If you are offering flowers to the Blessed Mother, please place the FLOWERS in the vase/s provided. If there is no water in the flower vase, add water.

PLEASE do not place your own flower vase on the ground or flower pots on either platforms of the Grotto and/or at the foot of Mary. Use the flower vases that are already provided in the flower box, to avoid breaking any glass flower vase. Thank you for your cooperation. Let us help one another make our Grotto look beautiful and safe / free of broken glass and clutter.

PRECIOSA SANGRE

En esta solemnidad centramos nuestra atención al Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo. Escuchamos el relato de renovación de la antigua alianza, la cual Moisés selló rociando la sangre de animales en el altar de sacrificio, así como en las personas. Jesús, cuya sangre es la sangre de la nueva alianza, derramó esa preciosa sangre en la cruz para salvarnos del pecado y prometernos la vida eterna. La sangre es la fuente de vida que fluye por nuestro cuerpo. La preciosa sangre de Cristo es la fuente de vida de nuestro espíritu. Que hoy, como el salmista, ofrezcamos un sacrificio de agradecimiento al Señor, cuyo cuerpo y sangre nos fortalecen para llevar la Buena Nueva a todos los que conocemos.

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Sunday Collection	5/27	\$4,271.40
Catholic Communications	5/27	\$1,280.65

**Second Collection for Sunday, June 10th
Bishop's Appeal**

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

~ EVENTS' SCHEDULE - WEEK OF JUNE 3RD ~

MON.	7:00 P.M. Confirmation Class
	7:00 P.M. Hospitality Ministry Meeting
	7:30 P.M. Parish Community Prayer
TUE.	7:00 P.M. Young Adults Meeting
THU.	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
SAT.	10:00 A.M. Altar Server's Appreciation Day Mass (Reception in Hall following Mass)



**From
Jun. 3rd**

**Through
Jun. 9th**

SAT.	5:15 P.M.	Eduardo & Amparo Arbaiza ✠✠ by Byron & Belen Cobb
SUN	8:00 A.M.	Avelino Deyto ✠ by Estrell & Butch and Jose D. Ferreros ✠ by Carmencita Ferreros
	10:00 A.M.	People of the Parish of St. Callistus Church
	12:00 Noon	Leo Ocegüera ✠ (Birthday Anniversary) by The Ocegüera Family
MON	8:30 A.M.	David Rocco ✠ by Ike & Meddie Victorino
TUE	8:30 A.M.	Helen Bodeman ✠ by The Bodeman Family
WED	8:30 A.M.	Gaudencio Mejia ✠ by Menchie Palma & Family
THU.	8:30 A.M.	Flariana J. Ramos ✠ by Carmencita Ferreros
FRI.	8:30 A.M.	Joseph Miller ✠ by Violet Miller
SAT	8:30 A.M.	Frances Scipi ✠ by Chuck & Mary Whaley

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER

Once again, here is my cell phone number, in case of emergencies: 510 334 3778. But please use it only for real emergencies, especially sacramental emergencies.

Thanks. **Fr. Jimmy.**

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)

Parish Staff

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Estrell Bautista, Office Secretary
Gilbert Estrada, Administrative Assistant

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Parish Ministries

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Confirmation Program : Beatriz Lopez, Director
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RCIA Program Director: Marisse Dongallo
(510) 223-1153

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



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
Debra Gunn	Dan Craighead	
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.

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.

