

ST. CALLISTUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

3580 San Pablo Dam Road
El Sobrante

COMMUNITY PRAYER: Please come and pray
with us every Wednesday evening at 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO PRAYER AND PENANCE

The ongoing communications regarding the Pennsylvania sex abuse cases, Archbishop Vigano's letter, and other scandals has brought shame, pain and tears to our Church. As a community of faith, we need repentance and conversion. Bishop Barber has stated a need to embrace this situation with a spirit of penitence, purification, reparation, and reform.

Bishop Barber asks our priests to set an example for the faithful of our Diocese by conducting a novena to St. Joseph and observing a Day of Prayer and Penance on Sept. 14, the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

As announced last weekend, Bishop Barber has asked the Priests in the Diocese to do two things especially. I invite you also to join us in them:

(1) **To pray to St. Joseph, Patron of the Church from Sept. 6 to 14**, for the renewal of the Church. We shall pray this novena after all the Masses during these days. **Prayer cards will be distributed so we can pray together as a community. However I ask that you all please return the Prayer Cards on the back table, so we can use it again the next day or at the next Mass.**

(2) The Bishop has asked that we **observe a Day of Prayer and Penance on Sept. 14, and have a special Holy Hour that day. We shall have this Holy Hour on Friday, the 14th after the morning Mass.**

Fr. Jimmy.



On Thursday, Sept. 13, we will have our monthly praying of the Rosary in front of the Grotto at 7:00PM. Again, if it gets really cold outside, we will pray the Rosary in the Church.

EL SOBRANTE STROLL— SUNDAY SEPT. 16

Volunteer sign up sheet is available in the vestibule. We need your help in the various areas to prepare for and during the actual day of the Stroll. Please sign up to help in a committee you're most interested in, with whatever time you can. Your help is much appreciated.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

September 9, 2018



“Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs to the kingdom?”

— James 2:5

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Be strong, fear not! Here is your God (Isaiah 35:4-7a).

Psalm — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — Show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ (James 2:1-5).

Gospel — Jesus makes the deaf hear and the mute speak (Mark 7:31-37).

PASSAGE TO INDIA PILGRIMAGE 2018

Led by Fr. George Alengadan

Pastor, St. Joseph Basilica, Alameda, CA

November 13 - December 1, 2018

Celebrate Mass at the tomb of Mother Teresa, take a boat ride in the sacred river Ganges and see the ancient Hindu rituals at sunrise and sunset, see the place where Buddha was enlightened, visit the pink city Jaipur with its magnificent palaces, dine with a royal family, take an elephant ride, visit the spectacular white marble Taj Mahal by sunrise and sunset, visit New Delhi, the capital of India, dine, interact with families, learn Indian cooking and enjoy local drummers and dancers, take a walk in the tea gardens up in the mountain in Munnar, take a houseboat ride in the serene and tranquil lakes and canals of Kerala and more. For cost and further information contact Fr. George Alengadan by e-mail: alensdb@gmail.com

Fr. George Alengadan (510 522 0181)



**CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION HAS
STARTED!
PARENT MEETING NEXT SATURDAY,
Sept. 15**

We look forward to meeting with parents to discuss how we can work together to enrich our children's spiritual lives! We will meet on Sept. 15, during the children's session, 9:30-10:45.

Please know that there is still room for more. Register your children in grades K-8 now in order to experience our opening Mass, Blessing of the Animals, and so much more! Pick up an application in the back of the church, and bring back the completed form along with a copy of your child's baptismal certificate, to the rectory office during normal office hours, or bring it to a FF gathering. on Saturdays, 9:30-10:45AM.

**CONFIRMATION FOR TEENS -
GROUP FORMING!**

Teens today face so many moral dilemmas; allow us to help you equip your youth with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, through the sacrament of Confirmation! If you missed the mandatory orientation meeting, your youth may still be able to join, after an individual meeting with the director and/or pastor. Sessions begin Sept. 10 and occur Monday nights, 7-9PM. Registration is \$175.00, and a copy of the teen's baptismal certificate is required. **For questions regarding Faith Formation or Youth Confirmation, please call the director, Beatriz Lopez, at 510-222-0432.**

Registration for the RCIA classes will be taken after all the Masses this Sunday. **Classes begin on Tuesday Sept. 11 at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall.**



~ EVENTS' SCHEDULE - WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 9TH ~

MON.	7:00 P.M.	Confirmation Class - First Day of Class
TUE.	7:00 P.M.	Young Adults Meeting
WED.	7:30 P.M.	Parish Community Prayer
THU.	11:00 A.M.	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
	7:00 P.M.	Leadership Group Meeting - in Church
	7:00 P.M.	Knights of Columbus Meeting
FRI.	6:00 P.M.	Choir Practice - St. Cecilia's Room
SAT.	9:30 A.M.	Faith Formation Class (with Parent Meeting in Church)



Sunday Collection	9/2	\$4,859.16
Parish Maintenance	9/2	\$1,321.59

**Second Collection for Sunday, September 16th
Bishop's Appeal**

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

**"HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS
ENDURES FOREVER"**

As we grow older, a good deal of our unhappiness is caused by our misplaced desire to return to the "good old days" - those times when we enjoyed health, wealth, position or power. However, the things of this world will not last. They are vacillating, and ever-changing. In fact, if we live long enough, they could be taken away from us and replaced with poverty, isolation, weakness and pain (cf. Job 1:1-22; Job 2:1-10). When we realize that this world and everything in it is unstable and unpredictable, we might find ourselves asking, "Is there anything lasting?"

The Psalmist answers: "His (God's) righteousness endures forever" (Psalm 112:9). It is untouched and unharmed by time and circumstances. Nothing that happens in this world can take it away. It endures when life has stripped us of every other possession.

This righteousness is ours as we draw near to God through obedience to the Gospel of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ (cf. Romans 3:21-26; Romans 6:16017). He is our rock and our salvation, and the only source of true and lasting happiness. Psalm 112:1 says: "Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, Who delights greatly in His commandments"; because "All your commandments are righteous" (Psalm 119:172).

Let us delight in the Lord's righteousness by obeying His work (Matthew 7:21). That's the only way we will ever find true and lasting happiness, for He alone offers a righteousness that endures for all eternity. (*gewatkins.net*)

MASS INTENTIONS FROM SEPT. 9 THROUGH SEPT. 15

SAT.	5:15 P.M.	People of the Parish of St. Callistus Church
SUN	8:00 A.M.	Edison Miguel ✠ by Joy & Carl Capistrano and Rodolfo Calonsag ✠ by Mila Delossantos
	10:00 A.M.	Norman & Manuel Villas ✠✠ by Alpay & Villas
	12:00 Noon	Mark A. Gutierrez ✠ by Judy A. Meadows
MON	8:30 A.M.	Cezar Solemnidad ✠ by Romy & Lydia Matundan
TUE	8:30 A.M.	Cezar Solemnidad ✠ by Menchie Palma & Family
WED	8:30 A.M.	Gemma Lee (Living, Birthday) by The Uldricks Family and Thanksgiving by Manny & Myrna Villasisca
THU.	8:30 A.M.	Elena Barrientos ✠ by Inez Tamayo
FRI.	8:30 A.M.	Aurea Karlstrom ✠ by The Fabella Family
SAT	8:30 A.M.	Mercedes Ubalde ✠ by The Ventura Family



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....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		

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.

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

Marina Zamora, 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
Leandro Daroza, Grand Knight 225-5302

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.

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.**



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