

ST. CALLISTUS CATHOLIC CHURCH
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PLEASE READ

Today after the Mass, you will receive a book titled **BEAUTIFUL HOPE**. This is an Easter gift from the Parish to you! We hope it inspires you to live boldly with hope.

The compelling real-life stories in **BEAUTIFUL HOPE** help us reflect on how hope is present in our lives every day. I invite you all to read just one short story a day and see how it transforms your own life and our parish community.

I am so excited to start this journey with you. Once again, Happy Easter! I wish you all the joy and peace this season brings.

Fr. Jimmy

CONGRATULATIONS to the three people, **ANNE TOLIAO**, **ELEONOR PATLAN** and **LORENZO PATLAN**, who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last night at the Easter Vigil. Please continue to pray for them and walk with them as they grow in their love and commitment to the Lord. We are very grateful to Marisse Dongallo and Roberta Jalbert who spent so much time preparing them for this great event.

**EASTER SUNDAY
OF THE RESURRECTION
OF THE LORD**
April 1, 2018

REFLECTION

**HAPPY EASTER
THE LORD IS RISEN - ALLELUIA**

Imagine the emotions of the women who went to the tomb of Jesus. They could not anoint His body before His burial. So they hurry to the tomb as soon as they could after the Sabbath. On the way they worry who would roll for them the huge tomb stone. But on arrival they find the stone already rolled away, the tomb open and the body missing; on top of it all, they are told that Jesus had been raised from the dead: bewilderment shock, wonder, amazement, disbelief, and what not!!!

Easter should flood our hearts and minds also with all such emotions: the Son of God becomes Son of man, suffers and dies for us, rises again from the dead to make us also rise with Him to share His divine glory! Way too good to believe! But that is the truth. God really became one of us and did all this for us so that we can share His glory in heaven. And, that is what we celebrate today.

The Psalmist exclaimed: "Lord, what is man that you care for him"! We know who we are: poor, miserable, disobedient, ungrateful sinners. But God still loves us; He loves us not because we are good, but because He is so good, **GOODNESS ITSELF**. He loves us, cares for us and wants to make us sharers in the joy of heaven. Easter is the feast of joy, hope, peace, trust, of all that is really good and worthwhile.

Easter gives us the certain assurance that, after this life of struggles, sufferings and trials, a joy that 'eye has not seen nor ears have heard' is waiting for us. Eternal life with God is our heritage, a joy that nothing or no one can take away from us. We are an Easter people.

**Praise, thanks, adoration, worship and gratitude
to our good God.**

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA.

Fr. Jimmy.

Next Friday, **April 6 is the First Friday** of the month. We have the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:00AM to 3:00PM. Please remember to come.



DIVINE MERCY Novena & Chaplet

On Good Friday, March 30 and each day through Saturday, April 7 at 3:00 pm, the Divine Mercy group invite you to attend and say nine days of specific-intentioned prayers that Our Lord wanted prayed. "The Lord told me to say this chaplet for nine days before the Feast of Divine Mercy. It is to begin on Good Friday."

"I desire that during these nine days you bring souls to 'the fount of My mercy,' that they may draw therefrom strength and refreshment and whatever graces they need in the hardships of life and, especially, at the hour of death." The Divine Mercy in My Soul by St. Faustina, 796 & 1209

GOOD FRIDAY	HOLY SATURDAY	EASTER SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
MAR 30	MAR 31	APR 1	APR 2	APR 3	APR 4	APR 5	APR 6	APR 7	APR 8
3:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:00 PM	3:00 PM

FOR YOUR CALENDAR DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

We will celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday on **April 8**. As in the past years, we pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00PM, followed by praying the Holy Rosary. After the prayers, we will have a fellowship potluck in the Parish Hall. Please plan for this day of prayer and fellowship. Please bring your favorite dish to share with family and friends. All are welcome.



Faye Eaton	Juanita Estrelles	Rose Riepel
Gilbert Estrada, Sr.	Tommy Garcia	Georgann Chiozza
Lisa Savio	Theresa Padilla	Faustino Aguilar
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
Debra Gunn	Lino Destacamento	

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.

STAND TOGETHER CONTRA COSTA SERVICE

The Stand Together Contra Costa Service opened a new, 24-hour staffed immigration hotline and deportation defense initiative serving Contra Costa County residents. Please call 925.900.5151 or go to StandTogether-ContraCosta.org. The mission of Stand Together Contra Costa is to ensure all people in Contra Costa County, regardless of citizenship or immigration status, are afforded the due-process rights established by the United States Constitution. Stand Together Contra Costa provides no-cost rapid-response support, civil deportation defense legal services and clinics, immigrant rights education and training, and others.



From
Apr. 1st

Through
Apr. 7th

SUN	8:00 A.M.	People of the Parish of St. Callistus Church
	10:00 A.M.	Norman Villas ✠ by Nadia Alpay
	12:00 Noon	Sin lu Helena Fan ✠ by Jenny Chew and Josefina Esperanza ✠ by Maria Racelis
MON	8:30 A.M.	Nunzia Stornio ✠ by Violet Miller
TUE	8:30 A.M.	Eduardo & Amparo Arbaiza ✠✠ by Byron & Belen Cobb
WED	8:30 A.M.	Monika & Jozef Mrowiec ✠✠ by Monika Byczynski
THU.	8:30 A.M.	Norma Salo (Living, Birthday) by The Salo Family
FRI.	8:30 A.M.	Bobby Adams ✠ (Death Anniversary) by The Eyike Family and Josefina Esperanza ✠ by Menchie Palma & Family
SAT	8:30 A.M.	Carmen Estrada ✠ by The Estrada Family

~ EVENTS' SCHEDULE - WEEK OF APRIL 1ST ~

MON.	NO Confirmation Class - EASTER BREAK 3:00 P.M. Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet 7:30 P.M. Community Prayer - in Church
TUE.	3:00 P.M. Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet 7:00 P.M. RCIA Class 7:00 P.M. Young Adults Meeting
WED.	3:00 P.M. Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet
THU.	3:00 P.M. Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet 7:00 P.M. Leadership Group Meeting - in Church 7:00 P.M. Hispanic Prayer Group Meeting
FRI.	9 A.M. - 3 P.M. Adoration/Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 3:00 P.M. Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet (After Adoration/Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament) 6:00 P.M. Choir Practice - St. Cecilia's Room
SAT.	8 A.M. - 12 Noon Faith Formation Easter Celebration 3:00 P.M. Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet



HOSPITALITY MINISTRY BAKE SALE

The Hospitality Ministry will hold a **BAKE SALE** on the weekend of April 14 & 15, Saturday and Sunday, after all the Masses. We are asking for your help. There are two ways you can help: (1) donate baked goods and/or (2) purchase them. Proceeds will help fund our programs in the Parish. Examples of these are the Family gift-giving tree during Christmas; Easter gift baskets for the needy children of homeless families in the community, and other projects. Please bring donations of baked goods to the Parish Hall before the Mass. Thank you for your generous support in the past; and we thank you in advance for your generosity again this time.

Josie Rocco & Members of the Hospitality Ministry

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	3/18	\$3,908.00
The Catholic Voice	3/18	\$1,225.00

Due to early publishing of this Bulletin, the Sunday Collection for March 25th are not available. Will be published in next week's Bulletin.

Second Collection for Sunday, April 8th - Parish Maintenance

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

Parish Staff

Office Manager — Position Open
Estrell Bautista, Office Secretary
Gilbert Estrada, Administrative Assistant

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Parish Ministries

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

