

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.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — They shall know that a prophet has been among them (Ezekiel 2:2-5).

Psalm — Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy (Psalm 123).

Second Reading — I am content with weaknesses and hardships for the sake of Christ (2 Corinthians 12:7-10).

Gospel — The people said: "Where did this man get all this? Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary?" (Mark 6:1-6).

SHEPHERDS FIELD OLIVE WOOD HANDCRAFTS

This weekend, John Qumsiyeh and his representative will be here at St. Callistus. Religious items and olive wood handcrafts from Bethlehem and Jerusalem will be available for your purchase after all the Masses.

Your support in purchasing handcrafts will be much appreciated. Sales will be used to help and support the poor Catholic families in the Holy Land.

Thank you.

From: John Qumsiyeh

Shepherds Field Olive Wood Handcrafts

SHARE YOUR FAITH WITH A CHILD

Would you like to grow in your faith, and pass it on to a child? If so, **please consider serving as a catechist in our Children's Faith Formation program!** No teaching experience is necessary, and you will receive guidance in leading children to learn more about our Catholic faith...and get closer to God.

The children gather on Saturday mornings from September to May, 9:30-10:45, and catechists meet monthly to collaborate in strengthening the program. **Do you feel God calling you to this important and REWARDING ministry? If so, please call Beatriz at 222-0432.**

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

July 8, 2018

OBSTACLES

The prophet Ezekiel, Saint Paul, and the Lord Jesus share something in common in today's scripture readings. They all experience obstacles to their ministry. Ezekiel is summoned to prophesy to the Israelites, who are "hard of face and obstinate of heart" (Ezekiel 2:4). Saint Paul recounts how he has been given a "thorn in the flesh" (2 Corinthians 12:7).

The Lord Jesus is unable to perform many signs in His native place. The Gospel tells us that "[he] was amazed at their lack of faith" (Mark 6:6).

We too sometimes encounter obstacles as we travel along the journey of faith. So often we experience weakness on this journey. Let the words of the Lord to Saint Paul encourage us today: **"My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness"** (2 Corinthians 12:9).

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COMMUNICATIONS FROM BISHOP MICHAEL BARBER

Parishes are encouraged to share this article in their bulletins:

Recently individuals have been contacted by email by someone pretending to be Bishop Barber. Others have reported that rental property has been posted on Craigslist in his name. The only email verifiably from Bishop Barber's office will include the "@oakdiocese.org" domain. The Diocese does not use Craigslist to find tenants for unused buildings. **Be very cautious in providing any unknown or suspicious contact with personal information, including your contact information or financial information. Verify any request for money through a separate contact, such as calling the Chancery (510-893-4711), Catholic Charities of the East Bay (510-768-3100), or your local parish (St. Callistus 510-223-1153).**

**PLEASE COME FOR MASS
ON TIME!**



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Last week's Treasure mentioned the "Nuns of the Battlefield," religious sisters from several communities who served as nurses in the Civil War. Florence Nightingale had only instituted female nurses a decade before in the Crimean War, so the idea of women tending to wounded soldiers was extraordinary. The medical and sanitary conditions on the battlefields were appalling, and the sisters were nearly all teachers. Few had any medical training beyond what they had learned as youngsters in the family. Anti-Catholic prejudice was so deeply entrenched in America that sisters could not wear their habits in public. These sisters were the first, and people on both the Union and Confederate sides soon began to marvel at their bravery, efficiency, and respect for Protestant soldiers. More than six hundred sisters from twenty-one communities went to war, serving in wretched conditions. They were tough and single-minded, efficient and fearless.

After the war, sisters could appear in public everywhere in the reunited nation, and often received the praise and gratitude of grateful soldiers and family members on behalf of their sister nurses. An outdoor monument to the "Nuns of the Battlefield" stands in Washington at M Street and Rhode Island Avenue. The inscription reads: "They comforted the dying, nursed the wounded, carried hope to the imprisoned, gave in His name a drink of water to the thirsty."

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CONCERTS, MUSIC

Summer 2018 Organ Recitals are offered at The Cathedral of Christ the Light, 2121 Harrison Street, Oakland. All recitals are open to the public. Unless otherwise indicated, a free-will offering will be requested at the door. For more information, please visit www.ctlcathedral.org/events.

Friday, July 13, 1:00PM: John Renke, perform Sonata no. 5 by Alexandre Guilmant.

Sunday, July 29, 5:00PM: John Karl Hirten, perform works by Bach, Franck, Widor, Britten & Hirten.

St. Mary's Cathedral, 1111 Gough St. (at Geary) in San Francisco, is offering Sunday afternoon recitals through the summer. Unless otherwise indicated, a free-will offering will be requested at the door. Ample free parking.
Sunday, July 1, 4:00 PM: Karen Beaumont (Milwaukee, WI), Organ. Spanish organ music.

Sunday, July 8, 4:00PM: Christoph Tietze, Organ.

Sunday, July 15, 4:00PM: Angela Kraft Cross, Organ.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

If you, a family member or a friend is sick and would like to be added to the Sick List in this Bulletin, please inform the Parish Office. Many of you have said that group prayer is very powerful. So let us continue to pray for our Parish Family member/s who are sick.

In the same manner, if you, or a family member or a friend who is currently on the sick list, wish to be removed from the list, please also inform the Parish Office.

Thank you for your cooperation.
The Parish Office



Sunday Collection 7/1 \$
Holy Father/Peter's Pence 7/1 \$
Will be published later due to early submission of the Bulletin.

**Second Collection for Sunday, July 15th
Parish Maintenance**

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

~ EVENTS' SCHEDULE - WEEK OF JULY 8TH ~

SUN. 9:00 A.M. Crafts from Holy Land (After All Masses)
TUE. 7:00 P.M. Young Adults Meeting
WED. 7:30 P.M. Parish Community Prayer
THU. 11:30 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



From
Jul. 8th

Through
Jul. 14th

SAT.	5:15 P.M.	People of the Parish of St. Callistus Church
SUN	8:00 A.M.	In Thanksgiving for Ritzi & Gibran by Estrell & Butch
	10:00 A.M.	Samir Rohayem (Living, Thanksgiving) by The Carmelite Sisters
	12:00 Noon	Roberto Tanquilut ☩ by Manny & Myrna Villasica
MON	8:30 A.M.	Robin Viray (Living, Birthday) by The Viray Family and Rebecca Balagot (Living, Birthday) by Joseph Balagot
TUE	8:30 A.M.	Jordan Villa (Living, Birthday) by The Alpay Family
WED	8:30 A.M.	Wiktorja Mrowiec ☩ by Monika Byczynski
THU.	8:30 A.M.	Maria Rosa Ferrai ☩ by Marisol Zapater-Ferra
FRI.	8:30 A.M.	Frances Arnold ☩ & Sue Herman ☩ by St. Vincent de Paul of St. Callistus
SAT	8:30 A.M.	Cezar Solemnidad ☩ by Letty & Domingo Berida



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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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
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
Dan Craighead	Lee Peres	
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.

