

WELCOME TO ST. CALLISTUS CATHOLIC CHURCH
3580 San Pablo Dam Road, El Sobrante, CA 94803
November 11, 2018 - Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



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.

Baptism of Infants: 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: Make arrangements with priest at least six (6) months in advance.

Mission Statement

We, the faith community of St. Callistus Parish, welcomes every person to share and celebrate together the living of our Christian faith. In this family, nourished by the Sacraments and the Word of God; nurtured by worship and prayer, strengthened by compassion and understanding, we witness to the unconditional love of Christ in the sharing of our gifts and talents for the Glory of God, and the building up of His Kingdom on earth.

Rev. Jimmy Thottapally, Pastor

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 (510) 222-0432
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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



MESSAGES FROM FR. JIMMY:

NOVENA FOR ALL SOULS

November is the special month when we remember our beloved deceased. Please pray for all the dead that the Lord forgives their sins and welcomes them to His presence. Quite a few people have joined the Novena Masses for the dead. "Thank you" to all of them. They will pray for you; they cannot pray for themselves but can pray for us.

PLEASE CALL if you or one of your family members is seriously ill at home or in the hospital nearby. It is my sacred duty to come and give them the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. I give my cell phone number here once again for this purpose: (510) 334 3778. But kindly use it only for real emergencies.

WHAT IS THE LATEST in the parish: I am glad to give you an update of what is happening at St. Callistus: Last month, as I announced to you in the Church, we got a small but **beautiful shrine built for**

St. Francis of Assisi, in front of our Sr. Angela Youth Group building. St. Francis is a wonderful example for all of us, especially for young people. Tell your children about this marvelous man who is often called the second Christ; encourage them to imitate Him.

We also got the **marble stones on which are carved all the twenty mysteries of the rosary** raised on simple but elegant iron pedestals. Our grotto of Mary and the prayer garden itself now look all the more beautiful. I am glad to let you know that quite a few people come at various times of the day, sometimes even late at night and pray there to Mary. I encourage you also to use it for your devotion to Mary. I also thank those who came for the rosary on October 31st when we blessed the marble stones.

As those of you who came for Mass last Sunday probably saw, the **fencing by the parish office** which was destroyed when someone ran his car into it, got fully replaced, this time with a good wooden fencing.

This year we **have 46 children in our Faith Formation class, 14 young people in the Youth Confirmation Program and 5 men and women in the RCIA class.** Please keep them all in prayers that the Lord constantly watches over them in their journey to get closer to Him.

Thank you very much for your support to the parish and to me.

*Fr. Jimmy
Your Pastor.*

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Veterans Day began with the signing of a symbolic treaty between the Allies and Germany ending World War I (then called the "Great War") on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. The auspicious date was actually a well-established religious holiday, the feast of Saint Martin of Tours, a beloved soldier saint of the army of Rome. After World War II, Armistice Day was changed to Veterans Day in the United States and Remembrance Day in Britain, but of course the feast of Saint Martin endures.

Martin was named after Mars, the god of war, and against the advice of his parents he went on his own to church. He became a catechumen at the age of ten. By fifteen he was enlisted in the cavalry in France. Coming across a poor man, Martin had an impulse to divide his bright red soldier's cape and clothe him. He later had the insight that he had served Christ, and the other half of his cape became a lifelong sign to him of his duty to serve the poor. Housed in a tiny church capella or "chapel," the cape became a great object of pilgrimage on the way to Compostella, and a favored place for the prayers of soldiers. Martin was not so eager to serve as bishop as he had been as a soldier, and legend says that he hid in a barn filled with geese to avoid episcopal election. To this day, the customary meal for November 11 is goose! Traditionally, this is the last feast day before winter closes in, and begins a period of fasting once known as "Saint Martin's Lent" or "Martinmas," that later developed into the season of Advent.

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PLEASE PRAY forthe **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		Avelina Juat
Venancio Talao	Liling Hernandez	Thomas Cope
Albert Tamayo	Lyda Mata	

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.



**The Lord keeps faith forever,
secures justice for the oppressed,
gives food to the hungry.**

— Psalm 146:7

THE CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

The core vocation in the Gospel of Mark is the vocation, or call, to discipleship. Today's Gospel passage provides us with one last example of what the vocation to discipleship means, and one example of what it doesn't mean. A destitute widow shows us that discipleship means following Jesus' way of service, even if it requires giving one's livelihood (or life). The scribes show us by their bad example that discipleship should entail a vocation to extend God's care to those who are most in need.

In our Reading from the Book of Kings another widow and her son are close to death. They too give what little they have, but they are rewarded by Elijah with food enough for a year. And the Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews reminds us that Jesus sacrificed His life "to bring salvation to those who eagerly await Him" (Hebrews 9:28).

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WEDNESDAY COMMUNITY PRAYER

**The Wednesday Community Prayer is being
cancelled effective immediately.**

**Monday, Nov. 12 The Parish Office will be
CLOSED in observance of Veterans' Day.**

~ EVENTS' SCHEDULE - WEEK OF NOVEMBER 11TH ~

MON.	OFFICE CLOSED - VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY NO Confirmation Class - VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY
TUE.	7:00 P.M. RCIA Class 7:00 P.M. Young Adults Meeting
WED.	7:30 P.M. Parish Community Prayer
THU.	7:00 P.M. Leadership Group Meeting - in Church 7:00 P.M. Hispanic Prayer Group Meeting
FRI.	10:00 A.M. SVDP Thanksgiving Basket Distribution 6:00 P.M. Choir Practice - St. Cecilia's Room
SAT.	9:30 A.M. Faith Formation Class



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All Saints Collection	11/1	\$1,196.75
Sunday Collection	11/4	\$5,608.05
Parish Maintenance	11/4	\$1,347.20

**Second Collection for Sunday, November 18th
Campaign for Human Development**

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

Follow the Star



We have very few tickets remaining! For you lucky ticket holders, go to saintcallistus.org and print one **FREE raffle ticket coupon**. Present it on the day of the event, Saturday, December 1, 6:00 p.m.

Generous donors for raffle and auction items are requested to call Roberta Jalbert at 510.253.9828.

Groups of 5 or more are to contact Ugo Ofoegbu 510.375.1813 or Josie Rocco 510.406.2707.

Remember, no tickets sold at the door and no outside alcohol allowed. Fun & fellowship on 12/1!

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

**Mass on Thanksgiving Day, November 22, will be at
10:00AM. There will be NO 8:30AM Mass.
You are welcome to bring food to be blessed.**

MASS INTENTIONS FROM NOV. 11 THROUGH NOV. 17

SAT.	5:15 P.M.	Sin lu Helena Fan ☩ by Jenny Chew and Aurea Karlstrom ☩ by Manny & Myrna Villasica
SUN	8:00 A.M.	Eleanor Cobb ☩ by Byron & Belen Cobb and Blanca De Buitrago by Juan Buitrago
	10:00 A.M.	People of the Parish of St. Callistus
	12:00 Noon	Cian O'Sullivan (Living, Birthday) by The Uldricks Family
MON	8:30 A.M.	Nunzia Storniole ☩ by Violet Miller
TUE	8:30 A.M.	Fernando Zapater Martinez ☩ by Marisol Zapater-Ferra
WED	8:30 A.M.	Jaime Jocson ☩ by Ike & Meddie Victorino
THU.	8:30 A.M.	Carmen Hernandez Torres ☩ by Marisol Zapater-Ferra and Monica Gorospe ☩ by Menchie Palma & Family
FRI.	8:30 A.M.	Jesus Esparza ☩ by Roxann Zarchinn
SAT	8:30 A.M.	Pablo & Melisa Aurea ☩ by Josefa O. Rozul