

St. Callistus Church

3580 San Pablo Dam Road
El Sobrante, CA 94803



Baptism of the Lord

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading—Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the Lord upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7) or Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11.
Psalm—The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29) or Psalm 104.
Second Reading—Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38) or Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7.
Gospel—A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22).

Weekly Mass Schedule

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
Weekday Mass8:30 A.M. Daily

After each Weekday Mass the Rosary is recited and the Chaplet of The Divine Mercy, is prayed.

Holy Day Masses 8:30 A.M. & 7:30 P.M.

Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00 to 4:45 P.M. (Other times by appointment with Priest)

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Jimmy Thottapally

Pastoral Administrator(510) 223-1153

Rev. Nick Reina, SDBPastoral Support

Sister Angela Burke, SHJM

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The Guild

Josie Rocco, President.....222-9411

Baptism of Infants (510) 223-1153

Make arrangements with priest at least six (6) weeks in advance. Parents must be registered parishioners for 3 months.

Weddings (510) 223-1153

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Other Ministries/Services:

Senior Center (510) 548-2617

Marge Essel, Coordinator

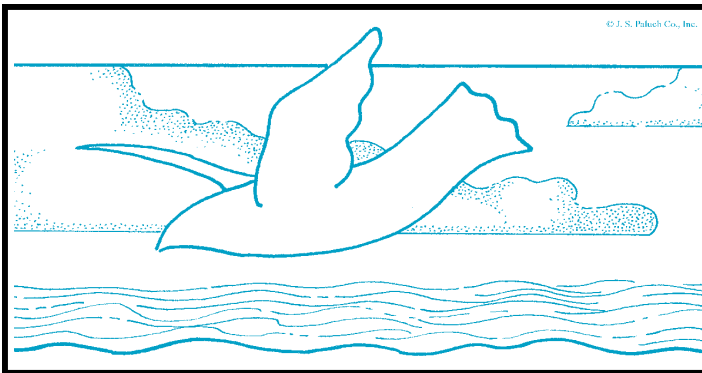
Mondays only, 8:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.

Knights of Columbus

Ray Tianero, Grand Knight.....758-4127

St. Vincent de Paul Conference243-7501

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.....234-2012



The Baptism of the Lord January 10, 2010

“He saved us through the bath of rebirth
And renewal by the Holy Spirit..”

— Titus 3:5

THE BAPTISM OF JESUS

The feast of the Epiphany was God’s revelation of Himself to humanity. What we celebrate today is another ‘Epiphany’ (manifestation) where God, by presenting Jesus as His beloved Son, makes known His presence and involvement in the lives of all. In fact, as I wrote last week, among the Oriental Churches where the feast of Epiphany originated, the primary focus was on the Lord’s Baptism.

The Baptism was also Jesus committing Himself once and for all to the will of the Father in obedience. The Father sent Jesus into the world to preach the Gospel (the message of God’s love for all and His invitation to all to enter into that love), and to suffer and die for the sins of all. At Baptism, Jesus formally commits Himself to that mission.

We are disciples of Jesus. Through our baptism, God has made us also His beloved children. Though we did not see the Spirit descending upon us, though no voice was heard from heaven, our baptism was nothing but God telling us how much He loves us and how He desires that we would be with Him sharing His joy forever.

So, as we celebrate the baptism of the Lord, we need to ask ourselves how committed we are to God.

Do I remember that I am deeply loved by God? Do I obey the will of the Father in obedience and trust, as Jesus did?

It is not enough that we are Christians; we need to be committed Christians. That is the way to eternal glory.

Fr. Jimmy.



YEAR FOR PRIESTS' ADORATION

Personal sanctity and deep relationship of love and commitment to the Lord are essential for priests to minister effectively to people. It is a very special need and duty of the people to pray for priests and support them that way in their spiritual growth. It is especially so during this Year For Priests. So we shall have a special Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, for this purpose, in our parish on **Saturday, January 30 from 9:00 A.M. (after the morning mass) till 10:00 A.M.** when we will close with Benediction. Please keep your calendars open.

YEAR FOR PRIESTS—DAILY PRAYER

Individuals/Families participating in the daily prayer dedicated to priests:

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| 1/09 Justin Gonzaga & Family | 1/14 Josephine Mendoza |
| 1/10 Manny & Liling Hernandez | 1/15 Pat Morgan |
| 1/11 Edwin & Marie Navarro | 1/16 Vic & Carmen Revecho |
| 1/12 Sue & Denny Brown | |
| 1/13 Carole Freeman & Family | |

Thank you for your continued prayers.



NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

On this feast of the Baptism of the Lord we begin National Vocation Awareness Week. Renew your baptismal commitment as you consider your call to serve God in your particular vocation. Hopefully some of you will hear a call to priesthood, diaconate or religious

life and will be open to that possibility. If you would like assistance, please contact Fr. Jimmy or the parish office, 223-1153.



Please Pray for the Sick and/or Home-bound....in our parish family, may they experience love and support of others, especially.....

Fr. Larry Byrne

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| Louie Silva | Max Poehnelt | Frances Arnold |
| Gilbert Estrada, Sr. | Theresa Dang | David Gutierrez |
| Hermie Asuncion | Erika Montoya | Larry Lazeretti |
| Raymundo Aldana | Gloria Villaroman | Jose Victorino |

Let us pray also for our parishioners in hospitals and nursing homes. Names on this list will be deleted after 3 months, unless the office staff is notified. **Please inform the bulletin editor if a name needs to be added.**



Once again, **THANK YOU** to all those who helped in various ways in our having a wonderful Christmas and New Year celebrations. Special thank you to all the children who came and participated during the Children's Liturgy, and to all our altar servers who faithfully came to assist at all the

Masses during the Holiday season. And to all of you, the parishioners, thank you for all your support, and for your generous donations. May the Lord bless each and every one of you.

Fr. Jimmy



WALK FOR LIFE —WEST COAST 2010!

Please mark your calendars for **Saturday, January 23rd**. Join upwards

of 30,000 pro-lifers for the 6th Annual Walk For life in San Francisco as we peacefully proclaim our message that abortion hurts women and we all deserve better than abortion. For more information: www.walkforlifewc.com To volunteer or to arrange buses: 415-586-1576 or email info@walkforlifewc.com



SALESIAN HIGH SCHOOL presents: 45th Annual All You Can Eat Crab Feed on: **Friday, January 15** Cocktail hour 7:00 P.M. Dinner 8:00 P.M. **Saturday**

January 16 Cocktail hour 6:00 P.M. Dinner 7:00 P.M. \$40.00 per person. For tickets 510-234-4433—ext. 1126.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Frank McAskill** who passed away last December. He was a long time parishioner at St. Callistus, and has participated in many projects for the Church. He was a Greeter and Usher at the 10:00 A.M. Mass. Please remember also his family in your prayers.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the members of the Jerry J. Junk Council #10244 shall be on **Thursday, Jan. 14th at 7:00 P.M.** at the St. Callistus parish hall, St. Jerome Room.

THE GUILD NEEDS YOU!!!

January is membership month for the St. Callistus Guild. Membership is open to **ALL** men and women of the parish. Young adults are especially needed to help plan and institute projects. Donating a few hours to help with even one project is within everyone's schedule. **PLEASE JOIN!** Contact Josie Rocco 222-9411.

VISITING THE SICK AND THE ELDERLY

If there are sick or elderly in their homes, hospital or nursing facilities who would like to receive Holy Communion on a regular basis, please let Sister Angela know 510-222-0432.



Christmas Traditional	12/25	\$6,221.00
Christmas Gift To My Parish	12/25	\$8,460.00
Sunday Collection	12/27	\$3,424.50
Solemnity of Mary	1/1	\$ 972.00
Sunday Collection	1/3	\$4,200.00
CCD Support	1/3	\$1,283.85

Second Collection for January 17th - Seminary

Thank you to all who have contributed so generously to the weekly offerings.

Will you please remember St. Callistus in your will?

~ SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 10, 2010 ~

SUN.	10:00	A.M.	RCIA Class
TUE.	9:30	A.M.	Bible Study
WED.	9:00	A.M.	Holy Hour/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	7:00	P.M.	All Seasons Choir Practice
THUR.	9:00	A.M.	Mother of Perpetual Help Novena
	7:00	P.M.	Knights of Columbus Meeting
FRI.	7:00	P.M.	Youth Choir Practice
	8:00	P.M.	Fil-Am Choir Practice
SAT.	9:30	A.M.	Faith Formation Class



Mass Intentions



Week of January 10th - January 16th

SAT	5:15	P.M.	Tony Dzierman, Rey Tianero, Bernie Rocco, Paul Gebhart, Sam Ibrahim, Donald Padilla, & Brother Thi (Living, Thanksgiving) by Faith Formation Kindergarten Class
SUN	8:00	A.M.	Fr. Mathew Ittiyappara (Living) by Butch & Estrell Bautista
	10:00	A.M.	People of the Parish of St. Callistus Church
	12:00	Noon	Maria Socorro Tuvera ☩ by Encarnacion & Richard Demorest
MON	8:30	A.M.	Maria Socorro Tuvera ☩ by Encarnacion & Richard Demorest
TUE	8:30	A.M.	Maria Socorro Tuvera ☩ by Encarnacion & Richard Demorest
WED	8:30	A.M.	Rev. William Macchi ☩ by The St. Callistus Parishioners
THU	8:30	A.M.	Rev. William Macchi ☩ by The St. Callistus Parishioners
FRI	8:30	A.M.	Rev. William Macchi ☩ by The St. Callistus Parishioners
SAT	8:30	A.M.	Roland Avolin (Living) by Vicenta Camacho

Welcome! Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether longtime residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God for you! We invite you to fill out the contact information below and place in the collection basket, or mail to the rectory, if you are interested in registering in our parish. An official registration form will be mailed to you.

Name _____
Address _____

Phone _____
City _____ Zip _____

New to the Parish New Address New phone number Moving-remove from list Send Sunday Envelopes