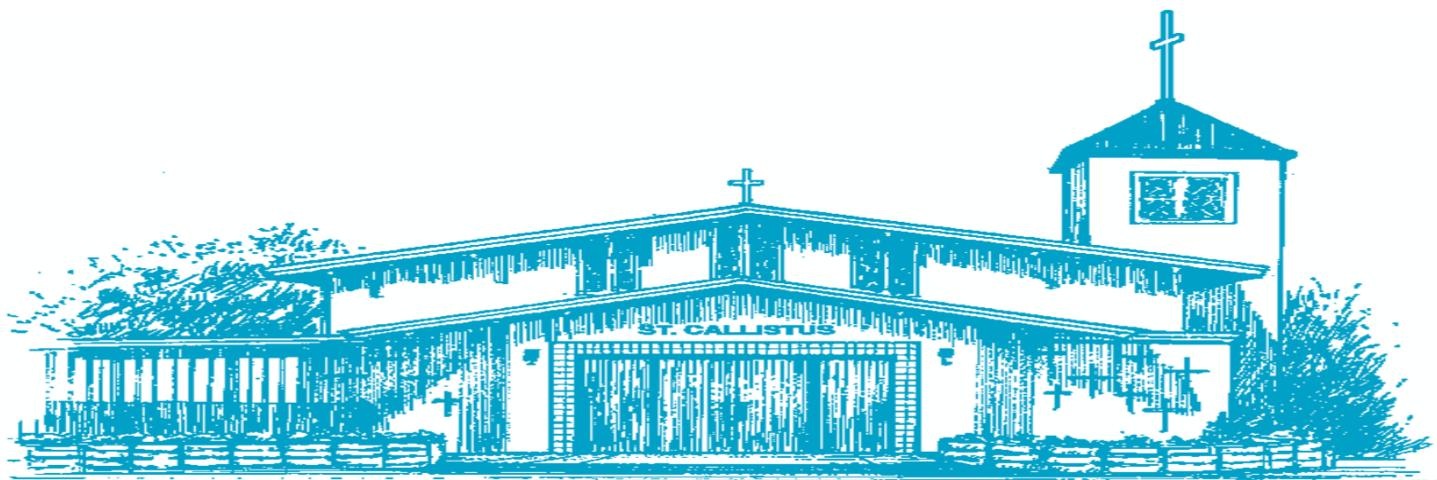


St. Callistus Church

3580 San Pablo Dam Road
El Sobrante, CA 94803



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
Pastoral Associate & RCIA Coordinator(510) 222-0432

Parish Staff

Geny S. Fabella, Office Manager / Bookkeeper
Estrell Bautista, Office Secretary
Gilbert Estrada, Administrative Assistant
Office Hours: 8:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Monday - Friday
(12:00 Noon to 12:30 P.M. closed for lunch)
(510) 223-1153
Fax No.: (510) 223-1137 – E-mail: stcallistus@sbcglobal.net
website: www.stcallistus-es.org

Parish Ministries

Children's Faith Formation (CCD/RCIC)
Pat Morgan, Director (510) 222-2538
E-mail: pmorgan.stcallistus@gmail.com

RCIA
Sr. Angela, SHJM.....222-0432
Pastoral Council
Vy Nguyen, Facilitator.....758-2874
Youth Ministry & Confirmation Program
Liz Remigio, Director.....223-1240
The Guild
Josie Rocco, President.....222-9411

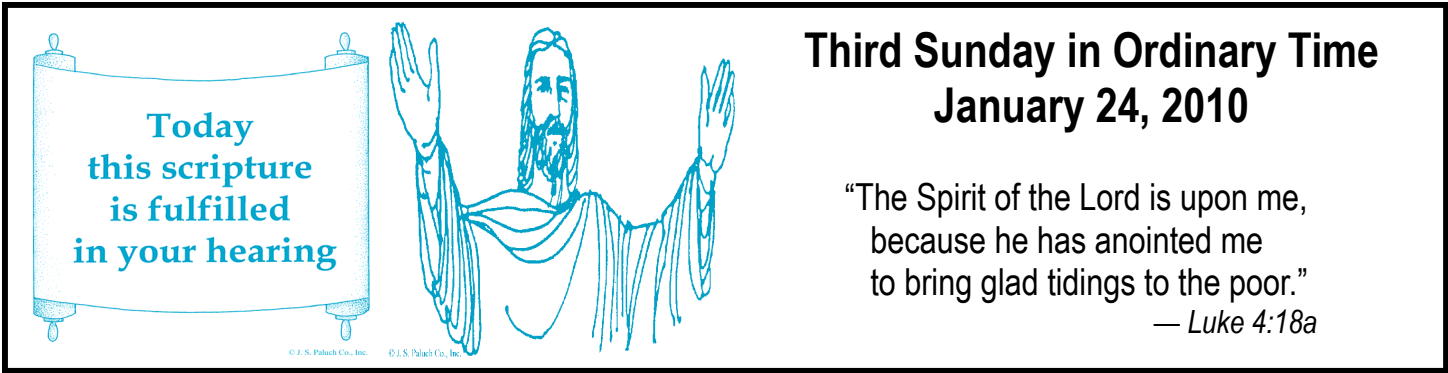
Baptism of Infants (510) 223-1153
Make arrangements with priest at least six (6) weeks in advance. Parents must be registered parishioners for 3 months.

Weddings (510) 223-1153
Make arrangements with priest at least six (6) months in advance.

Other Ministries/Services:

Senior Center (510) 548-2617
Marge Essel, Coordinator
Mondays only, 8:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.

Knights of Columbus
Rey Tianero, Grand Knight.....758-4127
St. Vincent de Paul Conference243-7501
St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.....234-2012



REFLECTIONS

In today's Gospel Jesus, at the very beginning of his public ministry, makes it very clear that He was sent to help the poor, the blind, the oppressed,

The liberty, the sight, the freedom He speaks of is all to be understood ultimately in the spiritual sphere. Jesus did not come as a political fighter, or a rebel against the establishment. He came to break the chains of sin and death and thus make all people free to be God's beloved children and heirs of His Kingdom.

But Jesus was deeply concerned about people's physical sufferings as well. His divine mercy and compassion made Him feed the hungry, cure the sick, raise the dead,

We, His disciples, are also called to imitate the love and compassion of our Master. If we close our eyes to the sufferings of others we are not true friends of Jesus.

In this connection I want to call your attention to the second collection we have today for Haiti. We have been reading and hearing so much about the horrible sufferings of the people of that impoverished nation because of the huge earthquake there last week. Living in California, we know what earthquakes can do!

Haiti is the poorest nation in the western hemisphere, according to all reports, even in the best of times. Now with this killer quake the country is simply a land of death, devastation, destruction and misery. The people there need our help badly.

If God has blessed us with so much, it is also for helping our brothers and sisters in need. So, I encourage you to **be as generous as you can be** in our second collection today. May the Lord bless your generosity to His suffering children in Haiti.

Fr. Jimmy.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading—Izra read from the book of the law of God to the assembled people. They understood and accepted the law (Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10).

Psalm—Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life (Psalm 19).

Second Reading—As the body with its many parts is still one body, so it is with Christ (1 Corinthians 12:12-30).

Gospel—While attending worship in the Nazarean synagogue, Jesus reads from the prophet Isaiah and declares himself to be the fulfillment of the prophesy (Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21).

HOLY HOUR TO CELEBRATE THE YEAR FOR PRIESTS

This year, as you know, is the Year For Priests. One of the main purposes in observing it, is so that we pray for priests more. It is our duty to pray for priests, those who minister to us and priests everywhere. So we shall have a one-hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on **Saturday, Jan. 30, from 9:00 A.M. till 10:00 A.M.** Please make every effort to participate in it. Our own spiritual welfare depends on the personal holyness of our priests, which in turn depends on the support we give them through prayer!

YEAR FOR PRIESTS—DAILY PRAYER

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

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| 1/23 | Laura Peters | 1/27 | Ugoeze Ofoegbu |
| 1/24 | Barbagelatta family | 1/28 | Cres Ramos |
| 1/25 | Carolina Almanza | 1/29 | Rey Tianero |
| 1/26 | Raoul Martinez | 1/30 | Meddie & Ike Victorino |

Thank you for your continued prayers.



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 |
| Maria Impanglozada | | |

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.





**FROM THE UNITED STATES
CONFERENCE
OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS**

“Congress continues to debate health care reform. While the House passed a health care bill that prevents the federal government from funding elective abortions, and includes provisions making health care af-

fordable and accessible for all, the Senate rejected this and passed a bill that requires federal funds to help subsidize and promote health plans that cover elective abortions, while forcing purchasers to pay directly for other people’s abortions. These two bills must now be combined into one bill that both the House and Senate will vote on in final form. The U.S. Bishops continue to strongly oppose abortion funding, while calling for critical improvements in conscience protection, affordability for the poor and vulnerable, and access to healthcare for immigrants.

In your bulletin today, you’ll find a flier insert from the U.S. Bishops Conference asking you to please contact your congressional representatives immediately and urge them to address these moral issues. The flier includes a web address that allows you to send an email message to Congress with a click of a button. The bishops have asked for our swift action and our prayers. Thank you for your help. We can help make sure that health care reform will protect the lives, dignity, conscience and health of all. **Health care reform should be about saving lives, not destroying them.”**

THANK YOU to all those who participated in the **WALK FOR LIFE** this weekend in San Francisco.

THE GUILD NEEDS YOU!!!

Membership to the St. Callistus Guild is open to ALL men and women of the parish. In January and February, the Guild is collecting annual membership dues of \$10.00. Please send your payment to THE GUILD, c/o Membership Chairperson, Carole Freeman, 355 Joan Vista, El Sobrante, CA 94803, or c/o The Parish Office. The Guild, as the social arm of the parish, really needs you. **PLEASE JOIN US!!!** Questions? Please call Carole 223-4917.

THE SERRA CLUB OF WEST CONTRA COSTA invites all parishioners to its monthly dinner meeting at Denny’s Restaurant in San Pablo on **Monday, January 25th**. Fr. Jerry Bonjean SDB, from Salesian High School, will speak on St. Padre Pio, a stigmatist. The meeting starts at **6:00 PM**. Call Secretary Raoul Martinez at 223-2754, for reservations and/or directions.

ST. PATRICK KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CRAB FEED

All you can eat Crab Feed

Saturday, February 6 at 6:00 P.M.— Dinner at 7:15 P.M.

Tickets \$40.00 - available after all the Masses. Group reservations available.

Please call Gavin at 510-504-8294, or Joe 510-691-3745.

Sunday Collection	1/17	\$3,645.33
Seminary	1/17	\$1,514.17

**Second Collection for January 31st
St. Vincent de Paul**

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 24, 2010 ~

SUN.	10:00	A.M.	RCIA Class
			11:00 A.M. Youth Group Meeting - High School
MON.	7:00	P.M.	Confirmation Meeting
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
FRI.	7:00	P.M.	Youth Choir Practice
	8:00	P.M.	Fil-Am Choir Practice
SAT.	9:00	A.M.	Holy Hour - Year for Priests
			(after the 8:30 A.M. Mass)
	9:30	A.M.	Faith Formation Class

Mass Intentions

Week of January 24th - January 30th

SAT	5:15	P.M.	Juanita Medina & Juan de Leon ☩ ☩ by The De Leon & Cuerdo Families
SUN	8:00	A.M.	Peregrina Villasica ☩ by Manny & Myrna Villasica
	10:00	A.M.	Romie Abella ☩ by Sonia Abella
	12:00	Noon	People of the Parish of St. Callistus Church
MON	8:30	A.M.	Thanksgiving by The Fajardo Family
TUE	8:30	A.M.	Simon & Helen Silva ☩ by Dolores & Family
WED	8:30	A.M.	Cynthia Cochran ☩ by Fred & Mary Cochran
THU	8:30	A.M.	Teresita De Los Reyes ☩ by Bert & Josie Esperanza
FRI	8:30	A.M.	Sean O’Farrell & Anne Perry ☩ ☩ by Their Loving Family
SAT	8:30	A.M.	Mary Ann White ☩ by Paul & Holly Dravitzki & Family

VISITING THE SICK AND THE ELDERLY

If you know of any sick or elderly in their homes, hospital or nursing facilities who would like to receive Holy Communion on a regular basis, please let Sr. Angela know, 222-0432.

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