

St. Callistus Church

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El Sobrante, CA 94803

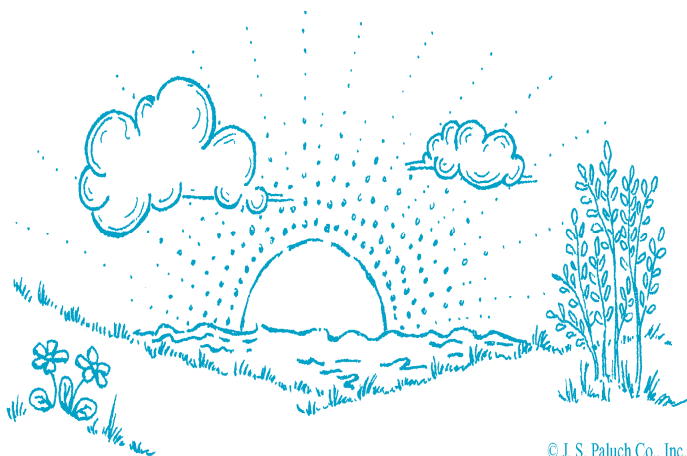
TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The apostles perform many signs and wonders among the people. Many are added to their numbers (Acts 5:12-16).

Psalm — Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — John, caught up in the spirit, envisions the glorified Lord, the first and the last, the one who lives (Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19).

Gospel — The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts (John 20:19-31).



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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)

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Parish Ministries

Children's Faith Formation (CCD/RCIC)

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E-mail: pmorgan.stcallistus@gmail.com

RCIA

Sr. Angela, SHJM..... 222-0432

Pastoral Council

Diana Silva, Facilitator..... 708-5753

Youth Ministry & Confirmation Program

Liz Remigio, Director..... 223-1240

The Guild

Larry Marion, Facilitator..... 223-5706

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 Knight758-4127

St. Vincent de Paul Conference

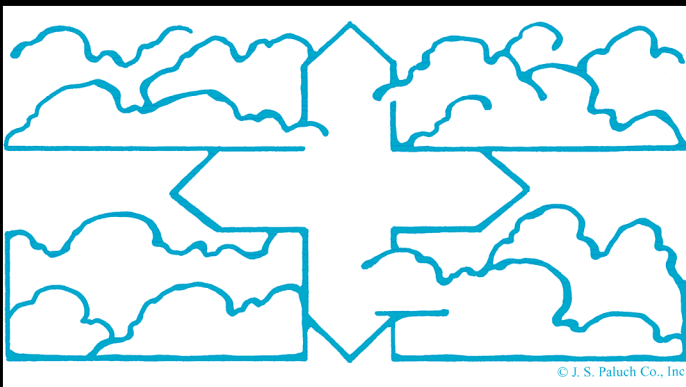
Jo Ann Evans, President243-7501

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery234-2012

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY) APRIL 11, 2010

“Once I was dead, but now I am alive
forever and ever.”

— Revelation 1:18a



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REFLECTIONS

When Jesus appears to his disciples after his resurrection his first words to them are, "Peace be with you." The gift of the Risen Christ to them, to us, and to all people is peace.

After the peace-greetings, Jesus gives the apostles the power to forgive sins. During his lifetime too we see so many times Jesus telling people, "your sins are forgiven, go in peace." Sin destroys peace, peace in individuals as well as in families and communities. But God offers us forgiveness of sins and restores us to peace. And, how much we need that!

We are called to be peacemakers. That is the mission the Risen Christ has given us. God has brought us to salvation. The phrase 'believers were added' to the band of the followers of Jesus is striking. They did not come on their own; God brought them to the group. The same with us too. It was he who gave us the gift of faith and brought us to the way of salvation. And, He expects us to make his salvation known to others as well, by our own faithfulness, living a life of peace and harmony.

In this connection I want to express, once again, my gratitude to all who work in the various ministries and committees in the parish, especially to those whose hard work made our Lenten/Holy Week/Easter Services grace-filled. It is your commitment that makes St. Callistus what it is: a vibrant community of faith, worship and service - an agent of peace and love in El So-brante. God's peace be with us all always.

Fr. Jimmy.



THE SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY OF ST. PATRICKS PARISH IN RODEO invites you to a discussion on **April 28th at 7:00 P.M.** about the issue of Human Trafficking. Our speaker will be Sister Caritas Foster, a member of the Sisters of the Holy Family. Sister Caritas will enlighten us about human trafficking on the local, national, and world level and what we can do to take a stand against this modern-day form of slavery. Please join us.

VISITING THE SICK & 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 call Sister Angela at (510)222-0432.

SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES

What are Small Christian Communities? The first Christians came together in small groups to pray, break bread together, and reflect upon the life, death, and resurrection of the Lord.

Following that tradition, Small Christian Communities are gatherings of six to twelve people who meet once a week over a period of six weeks to pray, to share their faith with one another, to read scripture, and to respond to God's presence in their lives.

Through reflection on Scripture and church teachings, members gain a fuller knowledge of the richness of our Faith and how Church teachings and the Scriptures relate to their lives. They share their experience of the action of God in their lives. They support one another in bringing the Gospel into the world by participating in acts of justice and outreach to society.

This year, St. Callistus parish will begin a program of Small Christian Communities.

The Core Team, formed by the Pastoral Council, has already contacted a number of parishioners with invitation to act as facilitators for the gatherings, and the diocese is providing facilitator training.

Today, April 11 & next weekend, April 18th, look for the sign-up sheets on tables in the church vestibule at all the masses. Each sheet will identify the time the group is meeting and its facilitator. Members of the Core Team and facilitators will be on hand to answer questions.

On April 25th, the following Sunday, all the groups will meet in the Parish Hall with Fr. Jimmy, to ask the Holy Spirit to bless our endeavor and to guide us on our path.

The groups will meet once a week from the week of **April 25th through the week of May 30th**.

On June 13th, there will be a potluck celebration for all the groups in the hall to celebrate the completion of the six weeks.

If you have any questions, feel free to speak to the members of the Core Team. They are Sister Angela Burke, Pat Morgan, Rosario Rosete and Lizzy Lynn



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

Frances Arnold	Louie Silva	Helen Padilla
Gilbert Estrada, Sr.	Theresa Dang	David Gutierrez
Hermie Asuncion	Erika Montoya	Larry Lazzeretti
Joe Martinez	Gloria Villaroman	Jose Victorino
Ruth P. Caluya	Cordie Montoya	Rosa Carvalho

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.

CHURCH REFURBISHING



Together we shall get it done! The Church is the house of God, and a few things need to be done in our church. They are:

Removing the elevated portion of the floor in the sanctuary between the altar and the tabernacle, re-carpeting the sanctuary and the other areas

that are carpeted, repair/replace and re-pad the kneelers, clean up the benches, remove the tiles and put new ones, put new furnaces and re-do the heating system, have better lighting system, re-do the sound system, get a new piano and a new organ, re-paint the interior and exterior of the building, etc.

Certainly it is going to be expensive. Please support the effort as best as you can, both financially and with your prayers.

From: Your Pastoral Council, Finance Committee, Building Committee. & Fr. Jimmy



A big **"Thank you"** to all those who helped in various ways in making our Lenten/Easter celebrations go well: the members of the various ministries and committees, those who donated Easter Lilies, those who helped with the decorations... and so on. Thanks also for your generous financial support and for the prayers for the parish.

RETREATS

Please contact the retreat center directly for further registration information—San Damiano Retreat Center, 710 Highland Dr., CA 94526, 925-837-0141, extn. 315, www.sandamiano.org

HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS



Your Attention Please

The Diocese of Oakland is beginning a strategic planning process to ensure that our Catholic schools are vital and viable for generations to come. Help re-imagine the future of our schools. All parishioners are invited to share their perspectives and

ideas about Catholic schools in an anonymous Community On-Line Survey that can be accessed through the following links from April 1 - April 30:

English: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/dioceseofoaklandcatholicschools>

Spanish: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/dioceseofoaklandcatholisspanish>

The Community On-Line Survey will also be available on the Diocese of Oakland website, beginning April 1, www.oakdiocese.org. Your participation will help create a stronger and more financially viable Catholic school system. Thank you for sharing your perspectives.

	Sunday Collection	3/28	\$4,648.06
	Bishop's Appeal	3/28	\$2,004.05
	Holy Thursday	4/1	\$1,212.00
	Holy Land / Good Friday	4/2	\$1,515.00
	Sunday Collection	4/4	\$5,664.00
	Easter Traditional	4/4	\$5,825.18

Second Collection for **Sunday April 18th - Parish Maintenance**

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

Will you please remember St. Callistus in your will?

BEGINNING AND END

Faith is the beginning and the end is love.

—St. Ambrose

~ SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 11, 2010 ~

SUN.	10:00 A.M.	RCIA Class
	11:00 A.M.	Youth Group Meeting - High School
MON.	7:00 P.M.	Confirmation Meeting
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.	Guadalupeño Group
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 April 11th - April 17th

SAT	5:15 P.M.	Vincente & Josefa Revecho ☩ ☩ by The Revecho Family
SUN	8:00 A.M.	People of the Parish of St. Callistus Church Louis Neil Panganiban (Living) by Elsa Ramirez
	10:00 A.M.	Leo Ocegüera, Jr. ☩ by The Ocegüera Family
	12:00 Noon	Phil-Mark Rosete (Living) by Chat & Christie Rosete
MON	8:30 A.M.	Balbina Sikora ☩ by Monika Byczynski
TUE	8:30 A.M.	Paul Esgüerra, Sr. ☩ by Lilian A. Esgüerra
WED	8:30 A.M.	Aurelia Tengco ☩ (1st yr. death anniv) by The Tengco Family
THU	8:30 A.M.	Ira Jett ☩ by The Bergunio Family Salvacion Gancero ☩ (death anniversary) by Romy & Lydia Matundan
FRI	8:30 A.M.	Saturnino Deyto ☩ by Butch & Estrell Bautista
SAT	8:30 A.M.	Pansy Torres ☩ by The Estrada Family

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