

St. Callistus Church

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El Sobrante, CA 94803



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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading—The question of whether circumcision is necessary for salvation (Acts 15:1-2, 22-29).

Psalm—O God, let all the nations praise you (Psalm 67).

Second Reading—John envisions the holy city, the new Jerusalem (Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23) or Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20).

Gospel—The Holy Spirit, sent by the Father in Jesus' name, will teach us everything (John 14:23-29) or John 17:20-26.

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

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Rev. Nick Reina, SDBPastoral Support

Sister Angela Burke, SHJM

Pastoral Associate & RCIA Coordinator(510) 222-0432

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Estrell Bautista, Office Secretary

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Pastoral Council

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Youth Ministry & Confirmation Program

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

The Guild

Larry Marion, President..... 223-5706

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 6 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



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 9, 2010

**“May the peoples praise you, O God;
may all the peoples praise you.”**

REFLECTION

Today we celebrate Mothers' Day. The very word 'mother' sounds so sweet, invoking feelings of love, affection, tenderness, kindness, selflessness, patience, The thought of mother truly fills one's heart with joy and happiness, and an incredible sense of love and gratitude.

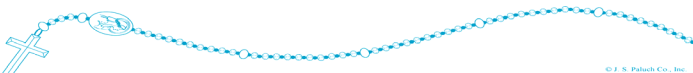
Mothers, you are wonderful and what you do is great. You participate in the creative work of God. You are co-creators with Him, in a sense. The privilege God has given you is marvelous.

A woman becomes a true mother not simply by giving birth. To bring a baby into this world is something any woman with the necessary physical capacity can do. One becomes a mother in the full sense of the word by bringing the child up in the right way. For that one needs to give the child all the love, affection, care, and good formation that she/he requires. The child is God's gift to her. She needs to return that gift to Him by bringing him/her up along the path of good and righteousness. By doing that she becomes a mother in the full sense of the word.

We, children of our mothers, need to ask ourselves: Do I truly love and respect my mother? Do I follow the good examples she gave me? Do I remember the tremendous sacrifices she made for my sake and am I deeply grateful to her for them? Do I spend quality time with her, especially in her sickness, old age, loneliness, etc.? Or, am I in the habit of thinking of my Mom just on Mothers' Day? Do I pray for my Mom?

Jesus gave His Mother to us too as our Mother. Mary is truly our mother in heaven. She loves us deeply and she intensely wishes that we share the joy of heaven with her and with her Son, and does all she can to help us in that. **What kind of a devotion do I have to Mary?**

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Next Saturday, May 15, twelve of the young people of our parish will be having their retreat in preparation for receiving the sacrament of Confirmation which will be on June 5. They are our children and the hope of our parish. Please keep them very especially in your prayers, so that they grow in their knowledge and love of Jesus and in their commitment for the message of the Gospel.

Mothers, pray for your children.

Be good mothers, after the heart of Jesus.



Happy Mothers' Day to all the mothers, grandmothers, great grandmothers.

Fr. Jimmy.



**Thursday,
May 13**



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

Gilbert Estrada, Sr.
Helen Padilla
David Gutierrez
Hermie Asuncion
Joe Martinez
Ruth P. Caluya
Ruby Awill
Helen Aiello
Jennifer Boatright

Frances Arnold
Larry Lazzeretti
Jose Victorino
Erika Montoya
Gloria Villaroman
Cordie Montoya
Reynerio Rivera
Audrey Ricardo

Louie Silva
Theresa Dang
Rosa Carvalho
Allen Throolin
Steve Gonzales
Anselma Rivera
Nella Parker
Georgann Chiozza

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.

PLEASE PRAY for the young people of our parish who will be making a one-day retreat next **Saturday, May 15 in preparation for their Confirmation on June 5.** May God's wisdom and light guide and direct their life.
Fr. Jimmy.

INSTRUCTIONS ON RECEIVING COMMUNION PROPERLY

In last week's bulletin, there was an insert containing instructions from our Bishop regarding the reception of Holy Communion, which we are to follow. One of the instructions the Bishop has given is that the proper posture for receiving Communion is standing. Those of you who might be used to receiving it kneeling, please take note of it.

CHURCH REFURBISHING

You can see the progress of our fund-raising for our Church refurbishing from the barometer (chart) placed in the vestibule of the church. We are still quite far from the required amount of \$300,000. Those of you who have not made their contributions, please do so soon. We are very short of time. **We cannot do it without your support.** Please do the very best you can.
Fr. Jimmy.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING

One of the more important duties of pastors is to visit the sick and the dying in the parish. So, if any member of your family who is a parishioner of St. Callistus is seriously ill or dying, please call me and let me know. In such emergencies, please call me on my cell phone 510-367-7917.
Fr. Jimmy.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

All adult parishioners who volunteer or participate in a ministry at St. Callistus, (including Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Choir, Ushers, greeters, etc.) must attend a Safe Environment Training Class, it is free of charge.

For those who have not completed this training in the July 2009-June 2010 cycle, there will be Safe Environment Training sessions in the St. Callistus parish hall on;

Tuesday, May 11 at 7:00 PM

Saturday, May 15 at 3:30 PM


Thursday, May 20 at 6:00 P.M.

For information contact Josie Rocco@ 222-9411.

YEAR FOR PRIESTS—PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please offer your prayers for the following priests on the dates indicated below. May our collective prayers as a parish community help our priests remain faithful to the Gospel and in dealing with the challenges of their ministry:

- May 8—For all priests who are sick or dying
- May 9—For Bishop George Alencherry (visiting from India)
- May 10—For all deceased priests
- May 11—For priests who feel abandoned and depressed
- May 12—For Brother Ian Mendoza who will be ordained this week
- May 13—For Fr. Paul Schmidt & all priests at St. Joseph (Pinole)
- May 14—For Fr. Larry Young & Fr. Lee (St. Patrick, Rodeo)
- May 15—For Fr. Ciaran Dillon (St. Rose, Crockett)



Sunday Collection	5/2	\$4,875.30
Bishop's Appeal	5/2	\$1,621.95

**Second Collection for Sunday May 16th
Catholic Charities**

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 MAY 9, 2010 ~

SUN.	10:00	A.M.	RCIA Class
MON.	7:00	P.M.	Confirmation Meeting
TUE.	—		
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
	6:30	P.M.	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
	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
	11:00	A.M.	Confirmation Group Day Retreat

MASS INTENTIONS — WEEK OF MAY 9TH - MAY 15TH

SAT	5:15	P.M.	Pancho M. & Justiano C. de Leon ☩ ☩ by The de Leon & Cuerdo Families
SUN	8:00	A.M.	People of the Parish of St. Callistus Church Inez Tamayo (L-Bday) by Josie & Bernie Rocco
	10:00	A.M.	Ricardo A. Jocson ☩ by Meddie & Ike Victorino
	12:00	Noon	Mother's Day Novena (Living & ☩)
MON	8:30	A.M.	Mother's Day Novena (Living & ☩)
TUE	8:30	A.M.	Mother's Day Novena (Living & ☩)
WED	8:30	A.M.	Mother's Day Novena (Living & ☩)
THU	8:30	A.M.	Mother's Day Novena (Living & ☩)
FRI	8:30	A.M.	Mother's Day Novena (Living & ☩)
SAT	8:30	A.M.	Mother's Day Novena (Living & ☩)

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING

Members of the St. Vincent de Paul will meet on **Thursday, May 13 at 6:30 P.M.** at the St. Callistus parish hall.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

Members of the Jerry J. Junk Council #10244 will meet on **Thursday, May 13 at 7:00 P.M.**, St. Callistus parish hall St. Jerome Room.



We welcome **Leonardo Joseph Muñoz Olaes** and **Elijah Christian Korsak** through the waters of baptism last May 1st. May our community embrace these children, and may our words and examples be reflections of God's love for them. Let us offer our joy-filled prayers and congratulations as our signs of support and welcome.

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