



# St. Callistus Church

3580 San Pablo Dam Road  
El Sobrante, CA 94803

## Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time October 30, 2011



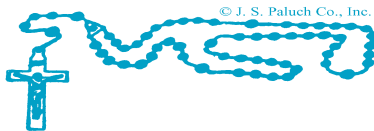
### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading -- Do we not have one father? Did not the one God create us? (Malachi 1:14b -- 2:2b, 8-10).**

**Psalm -- In you, Lord, I have found my peace (Psalm 131).**

**Second Reading -- You have received not a human word but the word of God (1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13).**

**Gospel -- Call no one your father on earth; you have but one Father, the one in heaven (Matthew 23:1-12).**



This week is really extraordinary. Tuesday is the Feast of All Saints; Wednesday is All Souls' Day. And, tomorrow is Halloween.

The Feast of All Saints is meant to celebrate and honor the numerous great men and women who loved God intensely and always followed Him with total fidelity and obedience. They are shining examples - and a big challenge - for us to learn from, and they intercede in heaven on behalf of us, lesser souls. We also look to them for guidance and strength. Let us thank God for giving us the gift of these wonderful people.

On All Souls' Day we remember all the other departed Faithful. They are more like us - sinful people but trying to follow Jesus in spite of all our weaknesses and failures. They are our parents, family, and sisters and brothers in the Faith. They need our prayers now and it is our duty to help them with prayers. So we pray for them and make sure that Masses - the Sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross for our salvation - are offered for their sake. Through such means we plead with God to mercifully forgive their sins and welcome them into His presence. It is a great act of charity to pray for the souls in purgatory. Let us especially do that all through the month of November.

'Trick or Treat' is fun. But children, be careful: watch out for traffic, dogs, strangers, ..... etc. Parents and other adults, please make sure that our children are safe.

This November is remarkable also on another note. On the last weekend of this month we start the full implementation of the Revised Roman Missal. Thank you for carefully listening to the teachings I am giving these Sundays and for making the changed responses well. You all are good learners. Thank you and God bless us all.

**Fr. Jimmy.**

**Welcome!** Our warmest greetings 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

**SPECIAL OBSERVANCES THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, October 30th**

God sends us so many blessings and one of them is sending priests to care for the people of God. Today, we ask God to bless Father Jimmy who faithfully and continuously builds up the body of Christ at St. Callistus. *"In your loving kindness, O Good and Gracious God, you sent your Son to be our shepherd and guide. Father Jimmy continues Christ's ministry of working in the vineyard by sustaining and guiding your people. Bless him, Father Nick, Father Chris and all the Salesian Fathers, Father Kimani and all the clergy. We also pray for Sister Angela for all that she does to help your people grow in faith. Let your Spirit uphold them always in their service to the people of this parish. We ask this through Christ our Lord, AMEN"*



**Tuesday, November 1st—All Saints' Day.**

It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be at 8:30 A.M. and 7:30 P.M.

**Wednesday, November 2nd—Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day).**

It is not a Holy Day of Obligation. But it is very important that we participate in the Eucharist that day and pray for our departed people. We will have two Masses that day also: 8:30 A.M. and 7:30 P.M.

Please make every effort to go for Mass here or at another place on these two days.

**All Souls' Day Novena Mass Cards:** Novena Mass cards are available on the back tables. If you have not done so already, please pick up a card, fill it out, and drop it in the Collection basket or in the basket located in front of the Altar, with your offering.

**Memorial Table:** Please bring pictures of your loved ones, and place them on the Memorial Table located in the vestibule. Make sure you label your pictures. We will keep the Memorial Table for two weeks, from November 2nd.



**First Friday, November 4th—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Next Friday, November 4th is the First Friday of the month. We will have the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from after the morning Mass, and Benediction at 3:00 P.M. Please come join us in prayer and spend some time in the presence of the Lord.

**REMINDER: Daylight-saving time ends November 6th.** Change your clock back one hour.



**Weekly Offering**  
 Sunday Collection 10/23 \$3,888.28  
 World Mission Sunday 10/23 \$1,383.29

Collection for **Tue. Nov. 1st - All Saints Day**  
 Collection for **Wed. Nov. 2nd - All Souls Day**  
 Second Collection for **Sun. Nov. 6th - Parish Maintenance**  
**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 OCTOBER 30, 2011 ~**

SUN.	10:00 A.M.	RCIA Class
MON.	7:00 P.M.	Confirmation Class
WED.	9:00 A.M.	Holy Hour/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	7:30 P.M.	Stewardship Meeting
THUR.	9:00 A.M.	Mother of Perpetual Help Novena
	6:30 P.M.	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
	7:00 P.M.	Hispanic Prayer Group
FRI.	9 A.M. - 3 P.M.	Adoration/Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
	3 P.M. - 7 P.M.	Youth Group Meeting
	5:00 P.M.	Spanish Class
	6:30 P.M.	ESL Class
	7:00 P.M.	Young People's Choir Practice
	8:00 P.M.	Fil-Am Choir Practice
SAT.	9:30 A.M.	Faith Formation Class

	From Oct. 30th	Through Nov. 5th
SAT	5:15 P.M.	Ramon Fabella ☩ by Manny & Myrna Villasica
SUN	8:00 A.M.	People of the Parish of St. Callistus Church <b>and</b> Manny & Myrna Villasica (Living, Thanksgiving) by The Villasica Family
	10:00 A.M.	Leslie D'Silva ☩ by The D'Souza Family
	12:00 Noon	Victor Vega ☩ by Laura Corona
MON	8:30 A.M.	Michele Crivello ☩ by Violet Miller <b>and</b> Jean Batchelder ☩ by Mary Toomey
TUE	8:30 A.M.	Gracie Fernandes ☩ by The D'Souza Family
	7:30 P.M.	People of the Parish of St. Callistus Church
WED	8:30 A.M.	All Souls Novena ☩
	7:30 P.M.	Maggie Smith (Living—Birthday) by Clare McCormick
THU	8:30 A.M.	All Souls Novena ☩
FRI	8:30 A.M.	All Souls Novena ☩
SAT	8:30 A.M.	All Souls Novena ☩

**VOCATION PRAYER**

That today's youth may be generous to the call of Jesus to embrace the Father's will for their lives, we pray to the Lord.  
*Que los jóvenes de hoy sean generosos al llamado de Jesús a aceptar la voluntad del Padre en sus vidas, oremos al Señor.*



# THANK YOU



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Thank you to all who came to celebrate the first year anniversary of our Church Re-dedication last weekend. Our special thanks and appreciation to all those who donated cookies and pastries, the

Hospitality Ministry members who organized and put the reception together, cleaned up the hall, decorated the Church, Ron Asuncion for putting together the slide presentations in the Church and in the hall, the Choir members for the beautiful music, and to all of you who came to celebrate the Eucharist with us. God bless you all for what you do for our parish.

**Father Jimmy.**

## S.H.A.R.E.S. PROGRAM

Please remember to use your S.H.A.R.E.S. card when you shop at Lucky, Food Maxx, Save Mart and Smart Foods. With the holiday season coming up, you may be shopping more. Using your card earns the Church valuable points.

**PLEASE HELP!** The Knights of Columbus will hold a "Tootsie Roll" drive after all the Masses on **October 29—30**. We are accepting tax-exempt donations to benefit local children with intellectual disabilities. Thank you in advance for your support.

Romeo Serranzana  
Knights of Columbus, Council 10244

## 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  
Every Sunday 10:00 A.M.—Children's Liturgy  
Every Second Sunday 10:00—Youth Mass

Weekday Mass .....8:30 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)

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**PLEASE PRAY** for .....the **SICK** and/or **HOME-BOUND**...in our parish family,

Father Larry Byrne	Gilbert Estrada, Sr.	David Gutierrez
Lauren Jacquart	Richard Elkin	Allen Throolin
Maria Poole	Theresa Dang	Rose Gutierrez
Jessie English	Milagros Layda	Jennifer Boatright
Rachel Mowbray	Dativa Agustín	Rudy Gorospe
James Farrell	Amelia Miguel	Cholly Alcantara
Roland Alcantara	Ana Flores	Julita Celestial

.....**and** our parishioners in hospitals and/or nursing homes. May they experience love and support of others.

## Pastoral Staff

Rev. Jimmy Thottapally  
Pastoral Administrator .....(510) 223-1153

Rev. Nick Reina, SDB .....Pastoral 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

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## Parish Ministries

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Confirmation Program Director: Ron Asuncion

RCIA : Sr. Angela, SHJM ..... 222-0432  
Pastoral Council  
Clare McCormick, Facilitator..... 222-1423

Youth Ministry  
Jordan Villa, Coordinator..... 223-1240  
Mobile .....697-5281  
E-mail: [Stcallistusyouthgroup@gmail.com](mailto:Stcallistusyouthgroup@gmail.com)

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 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  
Manny Hernandez, Grand Knight .....222-6499

St. Vincent de Paul Conference .....243-7501  
St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery ..... 234-2012

