Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 13, 2014

Our Lady of San Juan de Los Lagos

OUR LADY OF SAN JUAN DE LOS LAGOS FESTIVAL
Friday, July 11 - Sunday, July 13

Friday, 7:00pm — Healing Mass (Spanish)
Delicious Food and Religious Items for sale after Mass

Saturday Procession at 2:00pm followed by Mass
Delicious Food and Religious Items for sale after Mass
on the west side parking lot by the rectory.

Sunday after 7, 9 & 11am Masses—Home made Tamales for sale!

Sunday, 1:00pm—Closing Mass, followed by Delicious Food and Religious Items for sale.
Sunday, 5:00pm—Delicious Food and Religious Items for sale after Mass

Reminder: Due to circumstances beyond our control, the final game of the FIFA World Cup will not be broadcast at St. Rose of Lima.

NOTICE: SUMMER HOURS for the Mother Cabrini Gift Store, located in the vestibule of the church, will be open on Sundays before and after Masses, and on Thursdays only (no Tuesday afternoons during the summer) from noon to 3:00 p.m.
**Parish Information**

**RECTORY**
1305 Royal Avenue  
Simi Valley, CA 93065  
526-1732  
526-0067 (fax)  
Email: Parish@StRoseSV.com  
Ron Browne • 526-1732  
Parish Business Manager  
Website: www.StRoseSV.com

**HOURS**
Monday to Friday: 8:00am—8:00pm  
Saturday: 9:00am—5:00pm  
Sunday: 8:00am—4:00pm

**Facilities Manager**
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**24 HR. LIFE CENTER HOTLINE FOR UNPLANNED PREGNANCY**
Call 1-800-973-7334  
All our services are FREE and information is kept strictly confidential.  
www.facebook.com/  
PregnancyCounselingCenter

**SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN**
Sandy Lemos 526-5513  
Interim Chair person

**SUB-ROSA YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**
Adam Cross • Coordinator

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**PASTOR**
Rev. Joseph P. Shea  
Associate Pastor  
Fr. Bill Nicholas  
(www.FrWCNicholas.com)  
Priest in Residence  
Fr. Jim Maher

**DEACONS**
Dn. Peter Wilson  
Dn. Terry Reibenspies  
Dn. Louis Fernandez  
Dn. Edward Posvar

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**LITURGY SCHEDULE**
Daily: 8:30am & 5:30pm  
Saturday: 8:30am; 5:00pm (Vigil);  
7:00pm (Spanish)  
Sunday: 6:00am, 7:00am, 9:00am,  
11:00am (Family/Children),  
1:00pm (Spanish), 5:00pm (Youth)

**SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION**
Monday 9:00am—10:00am  
Tuesday 4:00pm—5:00pm  
Wednesday 9:00am—10:00am  
Thursday 4:00pm—5:00pm  
NEW HOURS  
Friday 4:00pm—5:00pm  
Saturday 3:00pm—5:00pm  
6:00pm—7:00pm

**HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION**
Vigil: 5:30pm  
Holy Day: 6:00am; 8:30am; 12:00pm;  
5:30pm; 7:00pm (Spanish)

**SACRAMENTS**
ANointing of the Sick  
Administered throughout the year. Please call the Rectory any time in case of serious illness or going into surgery.

BAPTISMS  
English: 1st Sunday of the month  
Spanish: 3rd Sunday of the month  
By appointment; please call or visit the Rectory.

MARRIAGES  
Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Please call or visit the Rectory.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)  
Jo & Frank Wilhelmi • 526-6194

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR WITH BENEDICTION

NOVENA  
Mother of Perpetual Help  
Wednesdays at 6:00pm

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY  
Dot Goeschel • 526-5640

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP  
Ched & Lumi Cruz  
584-6160

COUPLES FOR CHRIST  
Joanne & Erwin Ilustrisimo  
304-0753

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #5803  
Andy Prete, Grand Knight  
910-0347

SERVING THOSE IN NEED  
Earl Todd  
581-0957

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**ST. ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL**
1325 Royal Avenue  
Simi Valley, CA 93065  
John P. Sanders, Principal  
Website: www.srls.org  
526-5304 • 526-0939 (fax)

**ST. ROSE OF LIMA AFTER SCHOOL CARE**
577-8208  
St. Rose School Alumni  
Teresa Moran Runyon  
alumni@srls.org  
www.srls.org/alumni

**MOTHER CABRINI CIRCLE GIFT STORE**
Located in the vestibule; open before & after morning Sunday Masses;  
Thursdays 12-3pm (summer hours)

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**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**
For information on the Catholic Faith and the process of inquiry, please call:

Jo & Frank Wilhelmi  
805-526-6194
(continued from last week)

Dear friends,

An automatic excommunication is incurred for certain grave sin. So, for example, a person is automatically excommunicated for having an abortion or procuring an abortion. The problem with automatic excommunication is that it cannot be enforced even if a priest knows that a person has been automatically excommunicated. The excommunication has to be recognized and declared by the bishop formally for it to be enforced.

Excommunication is lifted through the sacrament of reconciliation and a formal lifting of censure. This power is granted to bishops and often delegated to their priests. If the excommunication was incurred because of heresy or disobedience by a religious, the person may be required to formally affirm the creed and make a new vow of obedience.

What happened when Pope Francis “excommunicated the Mafia”? He declared in an informal way that they have cut themselves off from the church. Their actions of greed and violence have caused them to be separated from Christ and if they continue on their path they are, therefore, cut off from Heaven. The Pope did not make a formal declaration of excommunication because to do that he would have to name names.

Finally, we must remember that the mission of the Church is to draw souls to Christ and to his salvation and mercy. That’s the reason for excommunication and that is the ambition of the priest as he ministers the sacrament. The church exists to offer Christ’s mercy to all who repent. Excommunication serves that greater goal.”

Thank God that the Apostolic power of Sts. Peter and Paul is still with us today.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Joseph Shea
**What Does Jesus Expect of Me?**

Jesus calls you to follow him. Your life could be an adventure with God. St. Rose of Lima Parish extends a warm welcome to all who wish to join our faith community for worship and fellowship. Come Feast on His Word, develop your knowledge, and build a family of faith. If you are new to the area, or coming back home, we invite you to make St. Rose of Lima your parish by calling the Rectory at 526-1732 or stop by during office hours or visit our website: [www.StRoseSV.com](http://www.StRoseSV.com)

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**“A time to be born…” Ecc 3:2**


Names on this list will be deleted after 3 months, unless the Rectory staff is notified. If you are a family member and you wish to add or renew a name, please notify the office.

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**“A time to heal…” Ecc 3:3**

...And pray for one another. —James 5:13-18

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**“A time of war and a time of peace…” Ecc 3:8**

Pray for those serving in the military.

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**“A time to die…” Ecc 3:2**

Pray for the souls of all our beloved departed and their families.

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY, July 12**
- 8:30am Members of the Millenium Club (I)
- 2:30pm OL of San Juan
- 5:00pm Christine R. Holder (D)
- 7:00pm Fr. Elias Arambula (I)

**SUNDAY, July 13**
- 6:00am Concetta Stephenson (D)
- 7:00am Paul W. Butler (I)
- 9:00am Armando Ocampo (D)
- 11:00am Bill Pringle, Jr. (D)
- (Sp) 1:00pm Marina Quiroz (D)
- 5:00pm Teri Olivas (D)

**MONDAY, July 14**
- 8:30am Jim Fregosi (D)
- 5:30pm Chauncy Druty (D)

**TUESDAY, July 15**
- 8:30am William & Olivia Pohl (D)
- 5:30pm Marc Pijuan (D)

**WEDNESDAY, July 16**
- 8:30am Angelita Litiatco (D)
- 5:30pm Jim Fregosi (D)

**THURSDAY, July 17**
- 8:30am Teri Olivas (D)
- 5:30pm Manuel & Manuela Estrada (D)

**FRIDAY, July 18**
- 8:30am Gilbert Azcarate (D)
- 5:30pm Harley Davidson Messenger (I)

**SATURDAY, July 19**
- 8:30am Members of the Millenium Club (I)
- 5:00pm John & Helen Cecil (D)
- 7:00pm Juana & Inosencia Zepeda (D)

**SUNDAY, July 20**
- 6:00pm Concerta Stephenson (D)
- 7:00am Teri Olivas (D)
- 9:00am Jose Junio (D)
- 11:00am Manoling Mercado (D)
- (Sp) 1:00pm Ronny Fernandez (I)
- 5:00pm Bruce Wilson (D)

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

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### Devotions

**Adoration Schedule**

Monday, 9:00am—Saturday, 3:00pm

We are very blessed to have 24 hr. Adoration here at St. Rose. We thank Fr. Shea, our Pastor, for giving us this great gift. However, we need to be sure we have enough adorers scheduled to be sure Jesus is never alone. Please consider signing up for any of the times mentioned below:

**Adorers are needed:**
- Tuesday: 3am
- Thursday: 1pm
- Friday: 10am, 7pm & 10pm

*Visitors and scheduled Adorers please be sure to sign in, it is the only way we can be sure that Jesus is not alone.*

**Team Leaders**

- 12am-5am Theresa Wong 428-0942
- 6am-11am Cathy Sullivan 526-7628
- 12pm-5pm Anita Koller 526-9910
- 6pm-11pm Kathy and Frank Cross 501-8431

**Divine Mercy Chaplet**

Tuesdays & Fridays at 3pm

**Divine Mercy Holy Hour & Benediction**

*with Deacon Ed Posvar*

Wednesdays, 7:00pm

**Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena**

Wednesdays after the daily 5:30pm Mass

**Family Novena In Honor of the Holy Infant Jesus of Prague Every Friday at 6:00pm**

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### Bible Study

**“CATHOLICISM” series**

Thursdays at 7:00pm in classroom 13

For questions or comments, please call Annette Lercel, Bible Study Coordinator, at 584 3533.

**DIVORCED, SEPARATED, WIDOWED MINISTRY**

We are a Christ-centered, self-help program. We meet the 1st & 3rd Fridays of the month in **Room 11** of the school, 7:00-9:00pm.

*Presentations by Dr. Bennett Annan

All adults are welcome!

Friday, July 18*, "How To Find Your Purpose Through The Life Of Jesus Christ, In The Transfiguration"

Tuesday, July 22, Dinner at First Street Family at 6:30pm.

Contact: Jean Jenners (JosephM34@sbcglobal.net), call 526-1732 or visit: www.StRoseSV.com/DSW.html

**FREEDOM IN OUR LIVES**

*“My grace is sufficient for you...” 2 Corinthians 12:9-10*

Do you suffer from loneliness, anger, depression, co-dependency, fear, hopelessness, anxiety, bad habits you want to change, hurts you can’t deal with, and are hung up with problems in your life?

FREEDOM IN OUR LIVES, is a Faith-based Beattitudes program to help you realize how to let God’s healing power into your life.

*We meet the 2nd & 4th Fridays of each month, in room 11 of St. Rose of Lima School. We gather at 6:30pm for dinner, and the meeting begins at 7:00pm. Please join us, bring your friends and relatives and gain a new perspective in your life.*

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**MARK YOUR CALENDARS! JULY 25 - 26**

National Catholic Family Conference

Ontario Convention Center in Ontario, CA

Come join hundreds of Catholic families. This year we’re offering a new selection of speakers, Catholic vendors, Holy Mass, and activities for children and teenagers, too! Individuals $10; Family $20

To register & for more info visit: SaintJoe.com

To carpool, contact Carmen Allard (Carmen@VeritasCruises.com)

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**Summer is here...**

Summer is here and with it, hot weather. It is tempting to wear casual and lighter attire when we come to church. But please consider what exactly is appropriate for Sunday Mass. Sunday Mass is a sacred event. Please, before setting out to church on the weekend, ask yourself: Does what I am wearing show respect for where I am going and tell everyone how I feel about this sacred action?
*All Teens are welcome*

EVERY Sunday at 6:30pm after the 5:00pm Mass ~ in the Hall ~ Food, fun & prayer

Catholics Say What? Teen Apologetics  Join YM every other Friday for Apologetics at 6:30 PM in the YM office! Bring your questions about life, science, theology, etc. and we will discuss and learn how to defend our Catholic faith.

TONIGHT!  July 13 - Movie Night!

July 20 - HUMANS VS. ZOMBIES  Bring your NERF GUNS, socks, and newspaper!

Friday, August 15 Water Wars  Get your super soakers ready! There will be water balloons...

August 17 Homebound Day Retreat  Join us for a day-retreat for teens here at St. Rose. The retreat will focus on God’s call for us and our families as we reflect the love and relationship of the Holy Trinity. 10AM-6PM; the cost is $20 per person.

For more information on our Life Nights and ways to get involved, please contact us at:
526-8181 or Adam Cross: YM@StRoseSV.com

SubRosa Time Adoration...
EVERY WEDNESDAY 8-9 pm (St. Rose Church)*  Join us as we spend silent time praying with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.
*Dates for the month of July:  16, 23, 30

SubRosa Women's Group,  SUNDAYS from 1:30-3pm (Room 6 in SRL School)
*Join us as we hang out & discuss the amazing book Captivating A Woman's Soul by John & Stasi Eldredge
*Order your copy now! Just $4 on Amazon (including shipping) and available at major bookstores.
*It's an incredible book to help us be the amazing women God created us to be! *Eat with us, hang out & enjoy!

NEW: Consuming the Word Book Club meets every Wednesday, from 6-8pm with Adoration at 8:00pm (St. Rose of Lima School, Room TBD)
*We will get together to read the book Consuming the Word: The New Testament and The Eucharist in the Early Church by Dr. Scott Hahn of Franciscan University
*We will meet each week to read a chapter and then discuss the book. *Copies of the chapters will be provided, but if you would like a copy of the actual book, it can be found on Amazon.com.

Find us on Facebook!

See you soon,
~The SubRosa Team~  St. Rose of Lima (SRL)
1325 Royal Avenue, Simi Valley, CA 93065  e: curious@subrosafamily.org  p:805-428-3755
Instilling faith, knowledge & service in to the hearts & minds of students through instruction, modeling & guidance.

**Vacation Bible School**

**JULY 28—AUGUST 1**

1-week program (5 instructional days)

For students entering Kindergarten-Grade 6 in Fall 2014

9:00 am—12:15 pm

A week of fun-filled Bible Adventures with: stories, games, crafts, music & much more!

A great way for kids to enjoy the summer while exploring their faith!

**Vacation Bible School:** Download form at www.srls.org or pick up forms at St. Rose of Lima School office.

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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Faith Formation Classes Now Forming**

The St. Rose of Lima Religious Education Office is now accepting applications for the upcoming 2014/15 school year. Classes are now being formed for Sacramental Preparation for Reconciliation, First Communion, Confirmation and continuing faith formation. Please visit our office located in the Parish Hall Sundays 9am-1pm, and Monday through Thursdays 9:30am-7pm, or call 526-5513 if you have any questions.

This year we are excited to partner with Youth Ministry in presenting an ongoing faith formation program for Middle School. “The Summit” will be open to teens in grades 6 to 8. Meeting twice monthly in the evening, the program will help teens discover and grow in their relationship with God. Please contact Clair Castillo at 805-526-8181 with any questions.

We are always happy to add faithful catechists and teaching assistants to our team! Please prayerfully consider helping others along their journey of faith.

Catechesis is the call of all Christians within the Church.

“Faith lives in the hearts of all believers, who are the Church. Hence, when faith is “passed on” from one to another, it is the Church’s faith of which we speak. The Christian community has received the gospel and the community is responsible to understand it, celebrate it, live it, and communicate it to the world”.

Bill Huebsch

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**Fingerprinting**

St. Rose of Lima will be hosting fingerprinting on **August 22, 2014**

Please call the Religious Education Office to make an appointment 526-5513
Today's injunctions against birth control were reaffirmed in a 1968 document by Pope Paul VI called *Humanae Vitae*. He warned of four results if the widespread use of contraceptives was accepted:

1. General lowering of moral standards.
2. A rise in infidelity, and illegitimacy.
3. The reduction of women to objects used to satisfy men.

Did that sound familiar?

Read more: www.businessinsider.com/time-to-admit-it-the-church-has-always-been-right-on-birth-control-2012-2#ixzz36jYZ9GS1

## A reflection from the “Diary”

I will not allow myself to be so absorbed in the whirlwind of work as to forget about God. I will spend all my free moments at the feet of the Master hidden in the Blessed Sacrament. He has been tutoring me from my most tender years (Diary 82).

Thank you to everyone who was able to donate a pint of blood for the Knights of Columbus quarterly blood drive on Saturday, June 21 at the parish hall. United Blood Services collected 102 units of much-needed blood for the local blood supply. Please help out again at the Knights of Columbus next blood drive: Saturday, September 20.

### RESPECT LIFE

Children do, in fact, offend against other children. This issue is not unique to a particular season. However, children may have more opportunities to be out of your immediate sight during the summer. For this reason, it’s important to periodically remind your child that another child or adult --- even a child or adult they know and trust, may want to see or touch their private parts; try to touch their private parts; or want to show them their (the other person’s) private parts. Tell your child that if one of these situations occurs, your child should say: “Stop it!” and should immediately tell you what happened. For more information, go to [http://archla.org/safeguard](http://archla.org/safeguard). “Summer Safety Tips can help prevent Sexual Abuse.” A copy of this article you may contact: Brenda Melendez, Office of Safeguard the Children: bmelendez@la-archdiocese.org.

### ¿Sabia Usted?

Ayude a sus hijos a estar atentos a la conducta de otros niños o adultos

Niños, en efecto, le hacen daño a otros niños. Esta situación no es propia de una temporada en particular. Sin embargo, los niños pueden tener más oportunidades de estar fuera de su vista durante el verano. Por esta razón, es importante recordarles periódicamente a sus hijos que otro niño o adulto, aun un niño o adulto en el que ellos confíen, pueden querer ver o tocar sus partes privadas; tratar de tocar sus partes privadas; o querer enseñarles sus partes privadas (de la otra persona). Digale a su hijo/a que si una de estas situaciones ocurre debe decir, “Stop it! No, déjame!” y deben ir inmediatamente a decirle a usted lo que pasó. Digale a su hijo/a que si una de estas situaciones ocurre debe decir: “Stop it, No déjame” y deben inmediatamente ir a decirle a usted lo que pasó. Para más información, visite [http://archla.org/safeguard](http://archla.org/safeguard). “Información de Seguridad para el Verano puede ayudar a prevenir el abuso sexual”. Para ayuda en particular por favor escribir a Brenda Melendez, Oficina de Protegiendo a los Niños de Dios: bmelendez@la-archdiocese.org.

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### St. Rose of Lima Bingo

**ON BOTH NIGHTS**, 30 Games Each Pay
A MINIMUM OF $250

Doors Open 4:30pm On Both Nights. Credit Cards Accepted

**SATURDAY NIGHT BINGO**
Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus
30 Game Format Starts @ 6:30pm

**MONDAY NIGHT BINGO**
Sponsored by St. Rose of Lima School
30 Game Format Starts @ 6:30pm

---- TOMORROW July 14 ----
Purchase 24 Max Packs for Just $90 + Door Prize Drawings

Monday & Saturday Night Special Game Pays $250! Double Action Will Pay $250

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**Did you Know?**

Help your children be aware of other children’s or adults’ unhealthy behavior

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KERMES DE NUESTRA SEÑORA DE SAN JUAN
DE LOS LAGOS
11–13 de Julio

Sábado a las 2:00pm—procesión empezando en el pasto de la escuela hacia la iglesia para celebrar la Santa Misa.
Kermes después de Misa.

Domingo—venta de comida después de todas las Misas (con excepción de Misa de 6:00am)
Domingo—Misa de Despedida a la 1:00pm—
Acompáñenos con toda su familia en una alegre Kermes con Deliciosa Comida y Artículos Religiosos de venta después de Misa.

Sentimos muchísimo que por razones más allá de nuestro control no podremos mostrar el partido Final de la Copa Mundial.

Ya llegó el Verano...
El verano ya está aquí y con él, el calor. Es tentador usar ropa casual y más ligera cuando venimos a la iglesia. Pero tenga en cuenta lo que es exactamente adecuado para venir a Misa los domingos. La Santa Misa es un acontecimiento sagrado. Por favor, antes de salir a la iglesia, pregúntate a ti mismo: ¿Cómo me estoy vistiendo, muestra el respeto a dónde voy y le dice a todo el mundo lo que siento por esta acción sagrada?

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A Catholic Bible and a “Catechism of the Catholic Church” are a must for every Catholic home! (Available in our gift shop.)

God gives us His word in the Bible, and the Magisterial Teachings of the Catholic Church provide us with direction to follow it. Another way to be a well-informed and a vibrant Catholic is to visit the USCCB website listed below where you will find a wealth of practical information.

Is it ever too late to start over? In this inspiring talk, Crystalina Evert explains that it doesn't matter what you've done or where you've been; all that matters now is where you go from here. Crystalina has spoken about chastity to hundreds of thousands of people on four continents and is the author of several books including Pure Womanhood and How to Find Your Soulmate Without Losing Your Soul. She runs the website WomenMadeNew.com, a site dedicated to encouraging women in need of personal healing by empowering them to become the women God created them to be.

**CATHOLIC FAITH FACTS**

*For more apologetics, please visit: www.StRoseSV.com and click on “Faith Facts”.*

The purpose of the Apologetics Section is to inform Catholics about their faith so as to be prepared when questions are asked or doubts arise. The word, “Apologetics” does not mean that one should go around apologizing for being Catholic. It comes from the Greek term “apologia,” which we get from the first letter of St. Peter, where he says that we should “always be ready to give a reason for the hope that lies within us” (1 Peter 3:15).

We must *always* be prepared to give answers to those who are seeking the truth. The only way to prepare for this is to understand why we believe what we believe. If we do not have a sufficient knowledge of our faith – how can we sufficiently share our faith with any of our friends or family members? How can we help them to understand the message of the Gospel if we don’t understand it ourselves? All Catholics should be informed on subjects such as the Real Presence, Salvation, Confession, Purgatory, Marian Doctrines and many others so that we can spread the Good News as Jesus commanded us (Matt. 28:19-20).

In this section, we also hope to dispel many myths and falsehoods about the Church that have developed over time – to set the record straight. Our non-Catholics brothers and sisters also have a right to know the truth.