Advent Parish Mission

An opportunity to get away for an hour from the hustle & bustle of the holiday season

Sunday, December 14 - Wednesday, December 17
7:00pm—8:00pm

Come join Fr. Paul Nicholson, a well-known missionary preacher, for a four-session Advent Parish Mission here at the St. Rose of Lima.

Sunday, December 14 - “Chosen, Not Frozen!”
“We aren’t made to stand in the barn all day … the extraordinary grace of a Parish Mission is a fire to get us going.”

Monday, December 15 - “The Burdens We Carry”
“Don’t go through life carrying burdens that God never meant for you to carry! Come to Mission and lay those things at the foot of the Mission Cross.”

Tuesday, December 16 - “Don’t Be A Stubborn Donkey!”
“Is anger controlling you? Find the easiest method ever to reset your surly, cranky self!

Wednesday, December 17 - “Happiness Is A Job Well Done!”
“Be the donkey who saves Christmas forever!”

Apostolic Blessing with a Plenary Indulgence at the conclusion of the final evening’s talk for everyone who took part in the Mission.

(Fr. Paul will be hearing confessions after each evening session until midnight).

*Wednesday, December 17: 6:00am-6:30am for men only
“Let St. Joseph Be the Dad You Never Had!”

Thanksgiving Day Bilingual Mass
Thursday, November 27 at 9:00am only.

Please bring food items donation to re-stock our Christian Service pantry as well as something for your dinner table, to be blessed.
The Rectory will be closed Thursday & Friday.
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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)

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.

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Dear friends,

I am excited to share with you the following information we received from the Archdiocese —

“...the Office of New Evangelization at the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, Radiate LA, was created as a response to the call of the last four Popes for a New Evangelization which brings ‘new ardor, expressions and methods’ to our modern world.

As Archbishop Gomez wrote in his pastoral letter, ‘the men and women of our time need someone to show them the way to Jesus, who alone can show them the face of God. They need someone to help open up the door of faith for them. They are waiting for us, my dear brothers and sisters!’

Although the New Evangelization has a particular emphasis on bringing back inactive Catholics, we hope these new expressions will attract everyone to Jesus Christ and his Church. This is how God will change the world today—by the one-on-one joyful witness of ordinary Catholics. God wants to reach into every hidden corner of society by means of the believers who are already there.

The best way to lead others to Christ is to personally live your faith. And to live it you need to know it — and practice it. To help Catholics evangelize, a new website has been designed—www.radiate.la—which will assist Catholics in falling in love with Jesus Christ.

This bilingual website features reflections on our Church’s great Saints and Traditions, as well as information on prayer, tradition, works of mercy and the like. RadiateLA is supported by Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, as well as YouTube, and shares both written and video content with readers. This way Catholics can be inspired daily in various ways to love and imitate Jesus Christ.

This coming Advent Season I encourage you to set aside one hour for four evenings to attend our Parish Mission with Fr. Paul Nicholson. He is a secular missionary priest, criss-crossing North America (and beyond) in an urgent effort to rouse the Catholic faithful to the glory of their calling —to change the world by first changing themselves. After each evening session we will hear confessions until midnight. Please invite family and friends.

Yours in Christ, Fr. Joseph Shea

Handicapped Christmas Mass and Luncheon

Saturday, December 6 11:30am—1:30pm
St. Rose of Lima Parish

Please join us as we celebrate the birth of our Lord, Jesus.

Mass at 11:30am, celebrant Fr. Joe Kammerer.
Lunch and entertainment to follow in the Hall.

For information call:
Joe and Jackie Kammerer 805-210-5176

Serving Those in Need

I would like to thank all of the good people at St. Rose of Lima who have supported our program this past year. We are currently supporting 100-120 families per week. As we near the end of the year we are preparing for Thanksgiving and Christmas. We are in need of the following items: stuffing mix, gravy, canned corn and mixed vegetables, etc. We will also work with the Knights of Columbus to collect toys for the children’s Christmas Party.

May God bless you, Earl Todd

≈ You may also prepare a Thanksgiving Basket to be given to a needy family.
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

“A time to die…” Ecc 3:2

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

“A time to heal…” Ecc 3:3

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

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

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10, or, (for the memorial of the Dedication) Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33
Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 19:41-44
Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 20:27-40
Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

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Ecclesiastes

Monday
8:30am Members of the Millennium Club (I)
5:00pm Gerry Fernando (D)
7:00pm Leticia Bautista (D)

SUNDAY, November 16
6:00am Concetta Stephenson (D)
7:00am Dolores Shaffer (D)
9:00am Charleen Maiers (D)
11:00am Tyrone Camacho (D)
(Sp) 1:00pm Mariano Robles & Amador Soto (D)
5:00pm Charles D. Matteson (D)

MONDAY, November 17
8:30am Victoria Arceno (D)
5:30pm Encarnacion Junio (D)

TUESDAY, November 18
8:30am Raymond Smith (D)
5:30pm Rose Valera (D)

WEDNESDAY, November 19
8:30am James Valerius (D)
5:30pm Josefa Sison Family (D)

THURSDAY, November 20
8:30am Florian & Rose Kucharska (D)
5:30pm Jose Montaño (D)

FRIDAY, November 21
8:30am Angela Cruz (D)
5:30pm Luminoso A. Cruz, Sr. Family (D)

SATURDAY, November 22
8:30am Members of the Millennium Club (I)
5:00pm Geraldine Meehan (D)
7:00pm Fernando & August Mongalo (D)

SUNDAY, November 23
6:00am Concetta Stephenson (D)
7:00am Marth & T.O. Jack Hall (D)
9:00am Wayne A. Faist (D)
5:00pm Joseph Fasulo (I)
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 Beatitudes 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.

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be offered on Sunday, November 30 at all the Masses.

Who should receive this sacrament?

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is given to those who are seriously ill, advanced in age or prior to a serious operation.

Please remember to receive any Sacrament worthily...a person must be in the state of grace. If needed, please go to confession in preparation for this Sacrament. Also, this Sacrament is reserved for those who are chronically ill, have serious illness, or who are going into surgery soon, or who are senior citizens, or who struggle with drug or alcohol problems or battle extreme depression or other mental problems.

Is any one among you sick? Let him bring in the presbyters [priests] of the Church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up, and if he be in sins, they shall be forgiven him. (James 5:14-15)

I, Sister Faustina, by the order of God, have visited the abysses of hell so that I might tell souls about it and testify to its existence. (...) I noticed one thing: that most of the souls there are those who disbelieved that there is a hell (Diary 741).

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**LAZERTAG EXTREME** Sunday, November 16:
Youth Ministry has taken over Lazer Tag Extreme TONIGHT at 6pm-9pm. This will be a private event only for those who purchase tickets. All ages are welcome! Tickets are $25 and will be sold outside on the patio after Mass.

**Catholic Say What??** Friday, November 21:
Have questions about the Catholic faith? What do Catholics actually believe? How can we prove that God exists? Join us as we learn how to defend our Catholic faith at 6:30PM in Room 8. Learn how to talk with atheists and non-Catholics about our faith. Bring your questions and your friends!

**Life Night: The Wedding Feast** Sunday, November 23:
Join us after the 5pm Youth Mass to learn about how we can understand the Mass as a wedding feast of the Lamb.

**XLT: Emily Wilson** Friday, December 5:
Come experience praise and worship before the Blessed Sacrament at 7pm in the church! This event is required for all confirmation students! Our speaker and musician is Emily Wilson who has sung at multiple Steubenville Conferences, retreats, and Life Teen camps.

**Pancake Breakfast!** Sunday, December 7:
Join us Sunday morning after the 7am, 9am and 11am Masses for a delicious breakfast.

**TGIF Fundraiser!** Wednesday, December 10:
Come support Youth Ministry by going out to dinner at TGIF! Grab a flier and head over; 20% of your meal gets donated to us!

**The Summit - Jr. High!** Thursday, December 11:
All Jr. High are invited to our meeting at 7pm-8pm to learn about the source and summit of our Catholic faith!

Call the YM Office for more information at 526-8181.

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**SubRosa Time In Adoration, EVERY WEDNESDAY 9-10pm (St. Rose Church)**
*Join us as we spend silent time praying with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. +Come any time during the hour. +Email/message us for the code to get in.
*Dates for the month of November: 19, 26

**SubRosa Women's Group**
7-8:30pm (Sisters of Notre Dame Center)
*We're back! With some exciting changes! + We will be meeting ONCE A MONTH + The group will be led in meditation and discernment by the Sisters of Notre Dame +Join us for some great sister bonding time as we delve deeper into what it means to be women of God +RSVP to let us know you're coming!

**SubRosa Apologetics, Fridays**
7-9pm (Room 8, St. Rose of Lima School)
"Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting of the hope that is in you." 1 Peter 3:15
*Join us as we discuss relevant topics & questions we are faced with as Catholics today *Including how to strengthen & defend our faith, core basics, etc.

**Knights of Columbus Homeless Dinner, 2nd Thursday of the month, 4:30-6:30pm (Knights of Columbus Hall, Simi Valley)**
*Come join us as we serve our community!

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**SUB-ROSA YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**
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**Marie Callender’s Pies**
Boy Scout Troop 605 and Venture Crew 9605 will be selling Marie Callender’s pies after Masses. Order your pies and save the drive to Camarillo or Chatsworth to order your favorite pies. If you live in the Simi Valley & Moorpark areas, delivery is available for a small fee. Following are the dates members of the troop/crew will be on the patio:

**Sundays:** November 16 & 23 from 6:15am-12:15pm and 4:45pm-6:15pm.
**Saturday, November 22** from 4:45pm-6:15pm.
Pie pick up dates: Tuesday, November 25 from 1-8pm and Wednesday, November 26 from 7am-2pm.
Please stop by the rectory for an order form or to drop off your order if you miss the group when they are on the patio. Questions?, please call Kathi Quinn at 791-3377.
RELIGIOUS ED & ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Facility Upgrades
- Our former physical library now serves as the Middle School Religion classroom. After school, this room becomes the extended care room; it has its own access to the play equipment on the back field.
- Our former computer lab classroom has been outfitted to house our music classes and our Religious Resource program.
- Our former music room is now the 7th Grade Homeroom and 7th and 8th Grade Math room.
- Our former Athletic Office is now the Marketing/Development Office. The new Athletic Office is located directly across from this.
- Our faculty lounge has been renovated with new floors, countertops, sink and cabinets.

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Enter to Learn, Go Forth to Serve

We are currently raising funds to build a new, state-of-the-art science laboratory, with built-in, hands-on lab stations, as well as new water and gas lines.

As always, we strive to continuously improve our programs and facilities so we can provide the very best educational opportunities for our students, giving them a solid foundation for future success.

Faith Formation Classes

Please call ahead for hours or to make an appointment. We appreciate your patience!

If your child ages 7-17 has not yet been Baptized, received First Holy Communion, or been Confirmed and you would like information about the process please call 526-5513.

ďAttention Confirmation Students: Upcoming service opportunities Pro-Life Rosary Dec. 6. If you worked the Dream Cuisine, make sure to submit your Service Reflection to the Office. Call the office for more information 526-5513.

ďAttention ALL Parents of Students: The next mandatory Parent Class on “The Mass” is Sunday January 11, 2015 at 9:45am in the Parish Hall.

JOB OPENING: The R. E. Office is looking for a Part-Time (25 hours per week), Bi-Lingual Administrative Assistant. For more information, or to apply, please call our office at 526-5513.

BIBLE STUDY NEWS

The Johannine Literature and Theology study with Fr. Bill has resumed. Please join us in the church after the 8:30am Mass on Tuesdays or Saturdays to learn more about the Gospel of John. There is no cost (free will offerings are always appreciated for the refreshments). For more information or to give us your comments or suggestions, please call Annette Lercel at 584-3533.

The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic

by Matthew Kelly

Do you want to be a stronger, more active Faith-filled Catholic? A discussion group book review is held Thursdays at 7pm at the School, Room #8. Facilitated by Neil Fanning with assistance from Deacon Terry Reibenspies. For more information call Neil: 805-217-4300.

Continuing Adult Faith Formation

December 1 – Eucharist

Classes are the first Monday of each month at 7pm in room 9.

SING WITH US! St. Rose of Lima Children’s Choir

Practice every Tuesday afternoon 3:15pm—4:00pm starting THIS TUESDAY, November 18.

Please contact Clare Delto: CDelto@StRoseSV.com or (805) 915-4609

A heartfelt Thank you!

The Bishop Alemany High School CRS Club would like to thank the parishioners of St. Rose of Lima for their generous support of our Helping Hands Event.

On October 25 the seventy-five students who participated packed 252,000 meals to be sent to our brothers and sisters in Burkina Faso, West Africa. If you would like to see how we did this, you will find pictures of the event on our website www.aleman.org
RESPECT LIFE

"A bitter pill to swallow"

This spring marks the 55th birthday of the birth control pill, championed by many, then and now, as the “best-thing-since-sliced-bread” solution to unplanned pregnancy, child abuse, overpopulation, and marital stress. After more than half a century of living with “the Pill,” however, many facts have emerged that paint a far less pretty picture.

When the FDA approved the sale of Enovid as a birth control pill in May of 1960, it was the first drug in history to be given to a healthy person for long-term use not for a medical, but for a social purpose. In so doing, one of the main disincentives to sex outside of marriage disappeared overnight. The reduction in unplanned pregnancies that the Pill promised was offset by the far greater numbers of people lured into sexual relationships by the false sense of security that the Pill provided. More people having sex has inevitably led to higher rates of unplanned pregnancy, abortion, and STDs, especially among young people, because, to be highly effective, contraceptives have to be used correctly and consistently.

To read the rest of the article, please visit: http://EthikaPolitika.org/2014/10/21/bitter-pill-swallow/

Rejoice in the Lord.

Your salvation is near at hand!

Advent Evening Reflection

Sponsored by Kindred Hearts Ministries

Presenter: Sister Regina Robbins, SND

December 3 ☉ 7:00 -8:30 p.m.

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Contact for Reservation by Nov. 26:

Sister Marie Paul Grech, SND

MGrech@SNDca.org (805)496-3243 ext. 460

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BUNDLE SUNDAY

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

The St. Vincent de Paul truck will be in our west parking lot from 8:00am to 1:30pm to receive your donations.

Bring usable clothing, shoes, small appliances, household items, linens, books, etc.

For large items, including furniture, appliances and vehicles, please call 323-224-6280 or 800-974-3571 for a special free pick up at your home.

Happy Wedding Anniversary!

11/17 Carol ♥ Juan Sanchez-Chen (57)

11/23 Lucia ♥ Antonio Badilla (40)

11/24: Rita ♥ Richard Landon (58)

11/30: Jean ♥ Don Tschirhart (57)

"Marriage is a covenant by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of the whole of life and which is ordered by its nature to the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring", and which "has been raised by Christ the Lord to the dignity of a Sacrament between the baptized."

If you would like to have your anniversary acknowledged in the bulletin in the month of December, please call the rectory.

Mother Cabrini Circle Gift Store

Advent Candles! Advent Wreaths!

Advent is just around the corner, so come soon and purchase your Advent Candles. Stop by before or after Sunday morning Masses, or on Thursdays from noon 'til 3:00pm to see what we have! New items come in often. Great CDs, books, religious articles, jewelry, holy cards for yourself or as a gift; as well as a great selection of Christmas gifts. The store is conveniently located in our vestibule.

¿Sabia Usted?

Arquidiócesis ofrece programas para dar poder a los niños

Para prevenir el abuso sexual de menores, es necesario que los niños aprendan algunas reglas para la protección de su cuerpo así como otras medidas para protegerse a sí mismos. La Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles ofrece a los niños los siguientes programas de prevención, apropiados según su edad: VIRTUS®: Enseñando sobre el contacto físico seguro; Contacto físico: bueno y malo; Programa de protección personal de la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles, Grados 1 al 12. Las parroquias y escuelas pueden elegir cualquiera de los programas arriba mencionados. Todos estos programas alientan la participación de los padres de familia para reforzar lo que sus hijos aprenden, dándoles información y materiales para que así puedan llevar a cabo su misión de ser los principales educadores de sus hijos. Para más información llame al:

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Las cartas de Pablo a los tesalonicenses son de sus primeros escritos, y fueron motivadas por su creencia y la de toda la primera comunidad cristiana de que el regreso de Cristo era inminente, y por eso sería una tontería dar tiempo o atención a otras cosas.

Con el pasar del tiempo, ese fervor comenzaba a disminuir un poco. Hoy día, cuando escuchamos estas lecturas sobre el fin del mundo, podemos preguntarnos si de veras creemos que Cristo va a venir entre nosotros como “un ladrón en la noche” (1 Tesalonicenses 5:2).

Si la respuesta es “Sí”, ¿debemos, o no, dejar nuestra planificación a largo plazo, deshacernos de nuestros calendarios semanales, y suspender los ahorros para la educación universitaria de nuestros hijos? Seguro que no.

Pero, lo que sí quiere decir es que deberíamos cambiar nuestra vida y vivir como hijos de la luz e iluminar el mundo a nuestro alrededor con la luz del Evangelio. Entonces, en aquel día, cuando los detalles de nuestra rutina diaria ya no importen, estaremos listos para encontrar nuestra paz y seguridad en Cristo Jesús.

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**TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE**

En 1682 unos negociantes encontraron una caja abandonada en una playa al sur de El Salvador. Como no pudieron abrirla decidieron llevársela al pueblito de San Miguel para conseguir con qué abrirla. Montaron la caja en un burrito y comenzaron su camino. Al pasar por la iglesia parroquial, el burrito se sentó y la caja se abrió revelando una bella imagen de la Virgen.

En aquel entonces el pueblo de El Salvador estaba dividido por la guerra pero con la llegada de esta imagen milagrosa el pueblo buscó reconciliarse. En 1833 hubo otra guerra en El Salvador y los que salieron victoriosos prometieron a María no vengarse en contra de los perdedores. Por estos hechos se le concedió a la imagen el nombre Nuestra Señora de la Paz. Su imagen de madera tallada y vestida lleva una palma en la mano recordando un milagro donde por la intercesión de la Virgen de la Paz, Dios salvó al pueblo de la explosión de un volcán. La palma recuerda que el humo que salía del volcán formaba una palma en el cielo. —Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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Me gustaría dar las gracias a todas las personas de Santa Rosa de Lima que han apoyado nuestro programa este año pasado. Actualmente estamos apoyando a 100-120 familias por semana. Al acercarnos al final del año nos estamos preparando para la celebración de Acción de Gracias y Navidad. Estamos en necesidad de los siguientes elementos: la mezcla para el relleno de pavo, “gravy”, elote enlatado y verduras mixtas, etc. También trabajaremos con los Caballeros de Colón para colectar juguetes para la fiesta de Navidad de los niños.

Que Dios los bendiga, Earl Todd
Apostolic Succession

Apostolic Succession is one of the Four Marks of the true Church that we pledge belief in when we recite the Nicene Creed every Sunday. For the Church to be Apostolic, it must be the one Church that was established by Jesus Christ 2000 years ago and the very same Church that the Apostles continued to build and grow during the 1st century and beyond.

You might hear non-Catholics claim that before the Reformation, the Church was so corrupt and had so perverted Biblical teachings that it ceased to exist as the Body of Christ and therefore, had to be rebuilt or revived. They speak of the “invisible Church” having been around from the beginning that had its rebirth during the Reformation. This goes completely against the Word of God.

First of all – the idea of an invisible Church is not supported by Scripture. In Matt. 5:14, Jesus tells the Apostles that the Church was “the light of the world” and that, “A city on a hill cannot be hidden.” Furthermore, Jesus tells the Apostles that “the gates of hell will not prevail against it” (Matt. 16:18) despite what non-Catholics might claim. After the Reformation, many different “denominations” splintered off from the Church and continue to splinter today to the tune of about 35,000 divided, sects.

Another charge is that after the death of Apostles, there was to be no succession. This makes no sense, as God would never leave his Church an orphan (John 14:18) and in total chaos, teaching different doctrines from sect to sect. Acts 1:16-26 tells us that the Apostles chose another to take the office of Judas, which was the fulfillment of the prophecy in Psalms 109:8. In Acts 15:15 we see that the Apostles told the people not to listen to anybody that they hadn’t mandated and sent out to them.

We have the writings of the Early Church Fathers who taught about Apostolic Succession from the 1st Century on – while some of the Apostles were still alive. One example is a letter from St. Peter’s successor, Pope Clement I in the year A.D. 80:

“Our Apostles knew through our Lord Jesus Christ that there would be strife for the office of bishop. For this reason, therefore, having received perfect foreknowledge, they appointed those who have already been mentioned and afterwards added the further provision that, if they should die, other approved men should succeed to their ministry” (Letter to the Corinthians 42:4–5, 44:1–3 [A.D. 80]).

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