"To evangelize and share the Gospel, walk with one another on our journey of faith, and draw others into Christ's one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church."

Whoever is not against us is for us

(Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48).

You are Invited!

Today Sunday, September 27th
11:00am Mass
Liturgical Music - Filipino Choir of Southern CALIFORNIA
Please join us on the courtyard after Mass for a potluck.
hosted by the Filipino American Catholic Ministry.
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24 HR. LIFE CENTER HOTLINE FOR
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Call 1-800-973-7334
www.facebook.com/PregnancyCounselingCenter

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Sandy Lemos 526-5513
(Interim Chair person)

SUB-ROSA YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY
The SubRosa Team
208-2545

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Rev. Joseph P. Shea

ASSOCIATE PASTOR
Fr. Bill Nicholas
(www.FrWCNicholas.com)

PRIESTS IN RESIDENCE
Fr. Jim Maher
Fr. Dave Heney

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

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
Español: 3r Domingo del mes
Es necesario hacer arreglos con anticipacion.

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

MINISTRIES
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CHARISMATIC PRAYER MINISTRY
Deacon Pete Wilson • 501-4535

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Sylvia Asuncion
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ICF (Italian Catholic Federation)
Joey Lo Dolce
587-1540

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COUNCIL #5803
Bob Spielman, Grand Knight
522-8446

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION
FOR ADULTS (RCIA)
If interested in becoming Catholic or if you are
a baptized adult in need of Confirmation and
First Communion please call: Julia Dobrucki •
915-4625

SERVING THOSE IN NEED
Earl Todd
581-0957

MOTHER CABRINI CIRCLE GIFT SHOP
Located in the vestibule; open before & after
morning Sunday Masses; Thursdays 12-3pm

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AFTER SCHOOL CARE 577-8208
St. Rose School Alumni—Teresa Moran Runyon: alumni@srls.org OR www.srls.org/alumni
GOVERNOR BROWN
VETO PHYSICIAN ASSISTED
SUICIDE BILL
X2AB00015\End of life
(last choice on the list)

Contact Governor Brown right away and urge him to veto this
very dangerous bill that would legalize physician assisted suicide. History
repeatedly shows this is the path to euthanasia.; The disabled, elderly, and poor would be especially
vulnerable when costly treatment could be replaced with cheaper life-ending drugs. Under a veil of
“compassion”, this bill destroys the medical credo of “Do no harm”.

X2AB00015\End of life would help make health care rationing and death panels a reality.

Don’t delay! The Governor intends to decide before 9/29/15.
Governor Jerry Brown
Ph: 916-445-2841 Fax: 916-558-3160
State Capitol, Suite 1173
Sacramento, CA 95814
E-mail from: www.gov.ca.gov
Twitter: @JerryBrownGov

We rejoice in the canonization of Junipero Serra, founder of the 21
Missions along the California coast.

This weekend you will see a display in the sanctuary of photos of
La Purisima Mission founded on December 8, 1787. It is located near the river of Santa Ynez, in
Lompoc, CA. In 1834, by decree of the Mexican Governor, Purisima along with all the other missions
was secularized. Please stop by and admired this collage courtesy of Herman Conant.

PRO LIFE ROSARY
PROCESSION

Please join us this coming Saturday, October 3rd right after the 8:30 Mass as we pray the Rosary on our way to Assumption Cemetery. We will join the Knights of Columbus in front of the Memorial for the Unborn at the entrance of the cemetery, 1380 Fitzgerald Road. Some chairs are provided, or you may bring own.

LANDINGS, for the returning or inactive Catholic, begins September 29th at 7:30, and this 8-week program requires pre-registration. This Paulist Fathers ministry warmly welcomes the person who has 'drifted' away from the practice of our Faith, or the person who has experienced certain difficulties in the practice of our Catholic Faith. It is co-sponsored in our valley by both St. Peter Claver and St. Rose of Lima Catholic churches. For further information, or to register, please contact: Madeleine Sorensen, 805-522-6107, (e-mail: madeleine.k.sorensen@gmail.com)

The prayer of St. Ambrose is our prayer:
Teach me, O Lord, to search for you. Show yourself to me when I search for you. If you do not teach me first, I cannot seek you. If you do not reveal yourself to me, I cannot find you. In longing, may I search for you, and in searching, long for you. In love may I find you, and in finding you, love you. Amen.
What Does Jesus Expect of Me?
Jesus calls you to follow him.
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 and His Body, 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 register on our website: www.StRoseSV.com

“A time to be born…” Ecc 3:2
Isaac Bravo, Akemi R. Castro, Damian R. Ceja, Monserrat Hernandez, Izek M. Lara, Guadalupe Salvador-Pelayo, Isabella A. Tellez & Sophia Vargas

“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
Pray for those serving in the military.

**U.S. Army**
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Pvt. James Berru
Patrick Croy
John Gebert
Thomas M. Gonzalez
Brian Kiely
Ryan Loniero
Ronald Murphy
Ryan Osier
Juan Ignacio Rios
Kaplan Sharpe
Nicholas TimpeGiehm
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Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6; Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]
Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament

“O my God, if the people of ancient times showed such tremendous reverence and devotion to You in the presence of the Ark of the Covenant, how much greater should (be) the reverence and devotion to Your Presence in the Blessed Sacrament paid by me and all Christian people in receiving the precious Body and Blood of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ…”

Imitation of Christ Thomas a Kempis

Singing Adoration in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

**Tuesdays: 3am**
- Divine Mercy
- SubRosa
- Spanish Rosary

**Wednesdays: 2am**
- Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena
- Divine Mercy Holy Hour and Benediction with Deacon Ed Posvar

**Friday**
- 3:00-4:30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet, Litany to the Sacred Heart and Stations of the Cross
- 6:00pm Family Novena in Honor of the Holy Infant Jesus of Prague
- 6pm-9pm Spanish Prayer Group
- 9pm-10pm Vietnamese Prayer Group

**Saturday after 5pm Mass**
- Bilingual Rosary for the healing & unity of families.

**Adorers are needed:**
- **Tuesdays:** 3am, 6:00pm
- **Wednesdays:** 7:00-8:00pm
- **Friday:** 6:00pm
- **Saturday:** 9pm-10pm

**Team Leaders**
- 12am-5am: Theresa Wong (428-0942)
- 6am-11am: Cathy Sullivan (526-7628)
- 12pm-5pm: Anita Koller (526-9910)
- 6pm-11pm: Kathy & Frank Cross (501-8431)

If you are not able to sign up as a permanent Adorer, please consider signing up to be an occasional substitute.

Have you considered being a “Partner Adorer”?

Sign up to accompany an existing adorer in the late night hours. These hours already have an adorer present so you should not be alone.

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If interested, please call one of the team leaders.

DIVORCED SEPARATED WIDOWED

We are a Christ-centered, self-help program. We meet the 2nd & 4th Fridays of each month in Room 11 of the school from 7:00-9:00pm.

Friday, October 2: “How to Handle Post Traumatic Stress, After Divorce, Separation, or Loss of a Spouse”, Part II, by Dr. Bennett Annan.

Friday, October 16: “Confusion After Divorce, Separation, or Loss of a Spouse”, by Dr. Bennett Annan.

All adults are welcome! Contact: Jean Jenners (JosephM34@sbcglobal.net), call 526-1732 or www.StRoseSV.com, click on Ministries to find Divorced Separated Widowed.

FREEDOM IN OUR LIVES

**Speaker:**
**Dr. Bennett Annan**

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

We at your home parish, St. Rose of Lima, offer you... FREEDOM IN OUR LIVES, a Faith-based Beatitude 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.

- anger
- anxiety
- bad habits
- co-dependency
- Depression
- fear
- hopelessness
- hung up with problems in your life?
- hurts
- can’t deal with loneliness

All women are invited to an evening of recollection sponsored by Opus Dei on Monday, **October 5, at 7 pm** at St Paschal Baylon Church in Thousand Oaks. We will have two meditations and a talk. There will be time for prayer and confession, ending with Benediction at 9 pm. For more information call Marisa Schoeffer 818-517-0951.
PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE

America is at a historic crossroad. Secularists are trying to push God from the public square. They reject His beneficial action upon society. But without God, where will our leaders get the wisdom to solve the great problems we face? We must stop the secularist advance and pray to God for help, through the intercession of His blessed Mother. There will be numerous intentions, some of which are the conversion of America so that it may fulfill its historic mission, for our national leaders, for an end to abortion, pornography and same sex marriage and all offenses against the law of God. Please join us as we pray the rosary on the Anniversary of Our Lady’s appearance in Fatima.


Where: on the side walk in front of the metrolink parking lot at 5050 East Los Angeles Ave, Simi Valley, CA.

When: Saturday, Oct.10th at noon.

www.ANF.org (America Needs Fatima) website.
For more information please call: Lorraine Ferrall (805) 428-1893.

The Summit: Jr. High
A night focused on youth in Jr. High, grades 6th-8th. The nights will be the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month.

St. Francis Animal Blessing
October 4th - 11AM in front of the Hall. Bring your animals for a special blessing! All are welcome!

Life Nights
September 27th—Hang Out Night Humans vs. Zombies! Bring your nerf guns and running shoes...
October 4th—“Liberty”
October 18th—“Life”
October 25th—Halloween Party

Catholics Say What!?
Join us as we ask the tough questions about the faith and learn how to defend it.

~1 Peter 3:15

*Call the YM Office for more information at (805) 526-8181*

MAGNIFICAT - A Ministry to Catholic Women

Prayer Meal
Saturday, October 10 @ 10AM
Odyssey Restaurant, 15600 Odyssey Dr.
Granada Hills, CA
Dr. Ross Porter
Former Presbyterian Minister Now Catholic Convert
Special message of Love and Hope for Today’s families. Noted speaker, Dr. Ross Porter, shares his path of conversion, the graces of a special needs child and building loving families. Come and be inspired by this man of faith. Mail “Magnificat” check for $26 to Magnificat, P.O. Box 4057, West Hills, CA 91308. After September 28, $30. Questions? Teri Thompson 805-527-3745. On-line reservations www.magnificatsfv.org
We are waiting for you!

Our inquiry sessions have begun, but we are still waiting for you!

Are you searching for a deeper relationship with God? A sense of belonging in a faith community? A greater fulfillment of your mission in life? Ever wonder about the teachings of the Catholic church? Ever wonder about the Catholic moral life or what Catholics believe. We try to answer your questions to help you in your journey to God. You do not have to journey alone! Please give Julia Dobrucki a call if you have questions or would like further information: 805-915-4625, or email at Julia@strosesv.com

**RCIA**

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Are you in need of the Sacrament of Confirmation? If you are and want further information about the sacrament we will be offering sessions starting Tuesday, Sept 15. If you are 18 years of age or older and God has impressed upon your heart that you need to complete your journey please contact Julia Dobrucki at 915-4625 or email at Julia@strosesv.com

**FATHER BILL'S SERIES ON THE FOUNDATIONS OF LITURGY**

Important Scheduling Information regarding this series:

The Tuesday morning class will **NOT** meet this week, September 29th, and next week, October 6th. The Tuesday class will resume on October 13th with Part 2 of the Liturgy of the Hours.

The Saturday morning class will **NOT** meet this week, October 3rd, Saturday Classes will resume next week on October 10th with Part 1 of Liturgy of the Hours.

Sessions are held in the church and meet on Tuesday after the 8:30am Mass and are repeated on Saturday after the 8:30am Mass. The Series concludes the week of December 13.

It is never too late to join us. For more information, contact Annette Lercel at 805 584 3533.

Fr. Bill, we wish you a blessed, restful and fun vacation.

The Mystery of the Mass Revealed

*Altaration* addresses head-on one of the biggest problems we all face: how do we get more Catholics to appreciate the awesome beauty and mystery of the Mass…and to actually look forward to attending and participating?

Through a unique learning experience, including powerful cinematography and workbook resources, you will come to see the Mass and the priesthood in a dramatically new way. *Altaration* is designed to stir thought, create conversation, dispel myths, and inspire souls to a deep and lasting love for the Mass. The goal of *Altaration* is not to fill our heads with information but to pierce our hearts with transformation.

This is a five session DVD series in which we will view the video and have a discussion afterwards. This series will be held in Room 8 on Thursdays from 7-9pm. Questions? Contact Dr. Neil Fanning, DDS, facilitator.

Email Neil Fanning- fanning@pacbell.net

Registration for the 15/16 catechetical year closed. If you have not yet registered your child, please contact the Office at 805-526-5513 as soon as possible for information on remaining class availability.

**Confirmation Classes** resumed Tuesday 9/8, Wednesday 9/9 and Thursday 9/10. Please visit the Parish website to view the calendar.

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**Attention Parents**

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**Attention Confirmation Students:**

Service Opportunities- 10/11/15 Volunteer now for the Dream Cuisine by calling the Youth Ministry office.

Continue to check the bulletin, the Parish website, or visit us on Facebook (St Rose of Lima Faith Formation) for information.

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PRO LIFE ROSARY
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HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!
Mike & Terri Garcia
September 4 (16 years)
Art & Mary Rude
September 8 (53 years)
Grant & Carol De Smet
September 18 (50 years)
Josh & Nancy R. Elwell
September 24 (4 years)
Neil & Sherese Green
September 25 (22 years)

If you would like to have your wedding anniversary acknowledged in the bulletin in the month of October, please call the rectory at 526-1732.

ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION
Our Italian Catholic Federation #443 is having a "Touch of Halloween" Pot Luck at their next General Meeting, Friday, October 2, at 7pm at the St. Rose of Lima hall. Dinner will be $3.00/person or $5.00/family. Food is to be brought based on your last name:
A-F   Salads/Vegetables
G-P   Main Dishes
R-Z   Deserts

We welcome all Catholic families from all cultures to our organization. Come - join the fun. Bring your favorite Italian dish or a great Halloween recipe!!
Please RSVP by September 28th to Chris Fabry (805-583-0806).

SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY
This is a formal invitation to all couples who have been trying to get married in the Church, but have not had the opportunity to do so because of the economy or other reasons. We will have a group celebration of marriage in the month of February 2016. To make arrangements please call our wedding coordinator, Libia Perez, at 526-1732 to start the process; the expense will be minimal.

FAMOUS FISH FRY DINNER
1ST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH—OCTOBER 2, 5:30PM—7:00PM
Knights Hall—1255 Patricia Ave.
The dinner includes: a delicious BBQ or fried fish with cole slaw, fried clams, French fries, mac & cheese, bread roll, coffee, punch & dessert. Bring friends & family...at only $8.00 for adults and $4.00 for kids 12 or younger.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER
Your love as husband and wife is a gift to one another as well as a gift from God. Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend to receive the tools needed to make the most of this precious gift. Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance -and renew your sacrament by attending the next WWME weekend Nov 14-15 at St. Jude In Westlake Village or Nov 20-22 at the Best Western Canoga Park. Contact Jeanine and Russ Walker at 805-648-4244, or go online at www.twocanlove.org. We help make good marriages better.

Did you Know?
Back to school: keep communicating
School starting may make it harder to have family time, but it is important to keep the lines of communication open during the rush of sports, activities and schoolwork. Ask your kids about their day – who they talked to and what they did. Your kids should know there’s nothing too embarrassing or scary to share with you. One easy way to start a conversation with your child is by talking to them in the car – they can be brief, private and sometimes avoiding eye contact can help kids open up. To get a copy of the VIRTUS® article “Back to School – Talking With Your Kids” email: jvienna@la-archdiocese.org.

¿Sabia Usted?
De regreso a la escuela: mantengan la comunicación
El regreso a la escuela puede hacer que el tiempo para la familia sea más difícil, pero es importante mantener las líneas de comunicación abiertas durante el ajetreo de participar en deportes, actividades y hacer la tarea escolar. Digale a su hijo que le cuente lo que él o ella hizo y con quien hablo durante el día. Su hijo debe saber que puede decirle todo a usted y no debería tener miedo ni pena de compartir sus pensamientos. Una manera fácil de iniciar una conversación con su hijo es hablar cuando están en el coche – puede ser algo breve y privado. A veces, evitar el contacto visual ayuda a los niños a sentirse más propensos a hablar. Para obtener una copia del artículo completo de VIRTUS® escriba a: jvienna@la-archdiocese.org.
Lecturas de la Semana

Lunes: Zac 8:1-8; Sal 102 (101):16-21, 29, 22-23; Lc 9:46-50

Martes: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 o Ap 12:7-12a; Sal 138 (137):1-5; Jn 1:47-51


Jueves: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Sal 19 (18):8-11; Lc 10:1-12

Viernes: Bar 1:15-22; Sal 79 (78):1b-5, 8-9; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Sábado: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Sal 69 (68):33-37; Lc 10:17-24


Calendario de actividades

LUNES
- Clase de Biblia: 7:00pm a 9:00pm
- Neuróticos Anónimos: 7:00pm a 9:00pm
- Grupo de Hombres: 7:00pm a 9:00pm

MARTES
- Rito de Iniciación para Adultos: RICA 7:00pm a 9:00pm

JUEVES
- Plaza Comunitaria: 7:00pm a 9:00pm

VIERNES
- Grupo de Oración: 7:00pm a 9:00pm
- Grupo de Matrimonios: 7:00pm a 9:00pm
- Neuróticos Anónimos: 7:00pm a 9:00pm

PRIMER VIERNES DEL MES
- Adoración Nocturna: 9:30 pm

SI DESEA CASARSE POR LA IGLESIA...
los felicitamos! Invitamos a todas las parejas quienes desean unirse en el Santo Sacramento del Matrimonio a hacerlo a agora que su parroquia Sta. Rosa de Lima, ofrece la oportunidad de llevarlo a cabo este Febrero, 2016. Para hacer los preparativos favor de llamar a Libia Pérez, al 526-1732. El costo es mínimo.

ROSARIO EN PROCESION PRO VIDA
Acompáñenos el próximo Sábado 3 de Octubre después de la Misa de 8:30am en una Procesión hacia el cementerio de Assumption. Nos reuniremos con los Caballeros de Colon en frente del Memorial para los no Nacidos (la estatua de la Virgen) a la entrada del cementerio ubicado en el 1380 Fitzgerald Road. Les sugerimos traer algunas sillas. Los esperamos.

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WHY IS IT?
Lukewarm Catholics

Because we live in precarious times, we must always be on our guard. We must wary not only of the things that would cause us to sin by our actions but also by those that would cause us to sin by our inaction. This is evident by the throngs of people who go to Mass at Christmas and Easter, but are mysteriously absent for the rest of the year.

It is also evident by our fear of public embarrassment which may cause us to recoil at the thought of making the sign of the cross in public or by refusing to come to the defense of our faith when the Church maligned at a party or around the water cooler at work. Jesus emphatically stated in Matt. 5:14, 16, “You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father.” As such, we simply cannot pretend that we are not his children through baptism and then demand that he answer our prayers when we need something from him. Pope Pius V once state, “All the evils of the world are due to lukewarm Catholics”, because he understood the words of Jesus that we are to be the light of the world.

As Christians, we have a free will - however, the Holy Spirit does not coerce or force us to do good. God’s grace enables us to be filled with zeal for his word but we must cooperate with that grace. It gives us the means to do God’s will - but unless we say, “Yes” to God, we have taken his light and hidden it under a bushel (Mark 4:21). Every election year, the lukewarm faction of the Catholic Church makes itself publicly known by voting in candidates and policies that are overtly offensive to God. When we vote, it should not be done with a secular world view but as followers of Jesus Christ. We do not belong to the world – we belong to God and our vote should reflect that fact.

Archbishop Fulton Sheen used to say, “The easiest way to get to heaven is to take somebody by the hand and lead them there.” If we keep the Good News of the Gospel to ourselves, we are no better than the condemned servant in Matt. 25:24-30. It is by our example that the world sees Jesus. This is why St. Francis of Assisi so wisely stated, “Preach the Gospel at all times and when necessary, use words.”

In Revelation 3:15-16, God issues stern warning to those who choose not cooperate with his grace and instead choose to remain indifferent: “I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot; I wish that you were cold or hot. So because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of My mouth.” This is a frightening prospect for anybody who claims to be a Christian.

Our separated Protestant brethren only have the Scriptures, yet many of them are on fire for what they believe to be the fullness of truth. As Catholics, we truly do have the fullness of the Christian Faith because we also have the Sacraments, Sacred Traditions and the Authority of the Church that Christ left us (Matt 16:15-18, 18:15-18, Luke 10:16, John 16:12-15, 20:21-23). As Catholics, we have ALL the truth at our disposal – but what are we to do with that truth? In Luke 12:48, Jesus said, “From everyone who has been given much, much will be required.”

“Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope” (1 Peter 3:15)