

***Welcome to Saint Rose of Lima Parish
A Roman Catholic Parish Community***



St. Rose of Lima Church

*82 High Street
Littleton, New Hampshire*



Our Lady of the Snows Mission Church

*403 Main Street
Franconia, New Hampshire*

Saint Rose of Lima Parish

Serving the towns of Bethlehem, Dalton, Easton, Franconia,
Littleton, Lyman and Sugar Hill

Parish Office

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Pastoral Staff

Very Rev. Mark E. Dollard, Pastor

Deacon Stephen Noyes

Sr. Monique Couture, FCSCJ, Pastoral Associate &
Minister of Music

Nick De Mayo, Coordinator Religious Education &
Safe Environment

Administrative Assistants

Sharon Palmerchuck & Linda Noyes

Mass Schedule

Saturdays:	4:00 p.m. at St. Rose of Lima
	6:00 p.m. at Our Lady of the Snows
Sundays:	8:00 a.m. at St. Rose of Lima
	10:30 a.m. at St. Rose of Lima
Mondays:	8:30 a.m. at Mount Sacred Heart Convent
Tuesdays:	8:30 a.m. at Mount Sacred Heart Convent
Thursdays:	6:00 p.m. at St. Rose of Lima
Fridays:	8:30 a.m. at Mount Sacred Heart Convent

Mount Sacred Heart Convent is located at
226 Grove Street
Littleton, NH 03561

Sacramental Life

Baptisms: Arrangements must be made in advance by contacting the Parish Office.

Marriages: Arrangements for the marriage preparation program must be made at least six months prior to the desired wedding date. Please contact the Parish Office prior to making other arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick: The Sacrament is available to anyone facing serious health issues. Please contact the Parish Office for a hospital, nursing home or home visit.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Scheduled at St. Rose of Lima Church on Saturdays from 3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. or by appointment.

Mission Statement

St. Rose of Lima Church and Our Lady of the Snows Mission are striving to provide settings and events for local people to grow in the Catholic faith through experiences of formation for children, teenagers and adults, and through sacramental celebrations.

Pastoral Council

The Council is a pastoral commission created to express the needs of the parish to the pastor. The Council acts in an advisory role to the various ministries and works on other projects as needed. Members of the Council represent the diversity of the parish community. Meetings are held quarterly.

Current Elected Members: Louis Babin, Janice Balog, Deb Considine, Frank & Sue Dunn, Lucille Gherardi, Michael Morley, Linda Noyes, Kevin O'Neil, Maurice Stebbins, Peggy Fujawa, Amy Trahan, & Ann Wiggett.

Prayer Groups

Men's Prayer Group: meets every 2nd Thursday of the month 6:00 a.m. – 7:00 a.m. in the St. Rose of Lima Parish Hall.

Rosary for the Pre-born: meets the first Wednesday of every month at noon at St. Rose of Lima Church and at 5:25 p.m. every Thursday evening prior to the 6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Rose of Lima Church.

Ultreya: meets the last Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at Our Lady of the Snows Parish Hall.

Adult Faith Formation

Adult faith formation is offered intermittently during the fall, winter and spring by Deacon Steve and Linda Noyes. Topics and times are posted in the bulletin as available. All are invited to attend.

Religious Education Programs

Pre-K to Eighth Grade

The religious education program at St. Rose of Lima Parish is available to children from Pre-K to eighth grade. We include preparation for the sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation, and First Communion. The programs run from September to April.

If you are interested in enrolling your children or in volunteering to assist in one of the many aspects of the program, please contact our Religious Education Coordinator, Nick De Mayo at (603) 823-9816 or nickd88@roadrunner.com.

High School Youth Ministry

Our high school youth ministry is open to any high school student in the parish. There are monthly activities that focus on the social, spiritual, and community service aspects of the parish.

For more information, please contact Elaine Andrews at (919) 600-1038 or elaine.tolley.andrews@gmail.com.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) is an ongoing process offered to those wishing to join the Catholic faith, for Catholics desiring to receive one or more of the Sacraments of Initiation which they did not receive at an earlier age, or any person interested in learning more about the Church. This journey of faith is based upon the process followed by the early Church and covers all aspects of our faith: history, traditions, beliefs, practices, and rites.

It is a journey of conversion that is gradual and suited to individual needs.

For more information, please contact Deacon Stephen Noyes at (603) 444-5930 or alkhall@roadrunner.com

Parish Committees and Ministries

Social Committee

The Social Committee promotes the social aspect of the church community. They actively support annual parish events (i.e. St. Patrick's Day Supper, Parish Picnic, and Harvest Supper) as well as sacramental celebrations.

Finance Committee

The Parish Finance Committee is mandated by Canon Law as an advisory body to the pastor. It normally meets at least four times a year and assists in setting and maintaining the budget, monitoring financial reports and presenting them to the community at least yearly, implementing financial controls, liaison with the Pastoral Council, implementing effective internal parish controls (bank accounts, cash/payroll, correspondence, etc.) and making business decisions.

Pro-Life Committee

The Saint Rose of Lima Pro-Life Committee understands that prayer is our most powerful weapon to defend pre-born babies in danger of abortion. Therefore, we pray the Rosary of the Unborn each Thursday at 5:25 p.m. before the evening Mass and every first Wednesday of the month at 12:00 noon at Saint Rose of Lima Church. We also work to distribute literature and other media to educate people in our parish and community about the evil of abortion. We also help support our local Pathways Pregnancy Care Center. All are welcome!



Garden Ministry

A small group of parishioners who love to garden use their skills and energy to plant and maintain the flower gardens, shrubs and potted flowers at the church to enhance its natural beauty and the spiritual experience of all who enter.

Esperanza Por Honduras

A team from the parish travels each year to Honduras to bring much needed medical care, medicines and medical and dental supplies to remote villages. They work with local Honduran people to deliver care to hundreds in need. Parishioners generously support this effort through prayer, donations and participation in team fundraisers.



Liturgical Ministries

Liturgical Ministries, with the input of the pastor, discusses and decides the proper expressions (i.e. the decorations, music, ceremonies, literature, etc.) which enhance the sacredness and spirituality of our public worship.

Music Ministry

Our Music Ministry is comprised of very talented, versatile, and most of all, faith-filled adults and young people. Some are vocalists and instrumentalists. They are welcoming and great team players in a full four-part choir that sings at the Sunday 10:30 Mass (SRL) and many feasts such as Christmas, Holy Triduum, Confirmation and Holy Days. The choir rehearses on Sunday mornings at 9:10, to be prepared for the 10:30 Mass. Besides weekend liturgies, our accompanists – both keyboards: piano and organ – are well-trained and quite willing to accompany for special occasions such as funerals and weddings, or even baptisms. We have an excellent guitarist who can rally to any situation and really enhance the music with his delicate and reverent style of picking and strumming.

For more information, please contact our parish minister of music, Sister Monique Couture, FCSCJ, at (603) 616-9910 or mocou@earthlink.net.

Altar Society

The Altar Society helps create a prayerful environment to draw the community into deeper awareness of God the creator. The Altar Society coordinates the floral and plant arrangements as well as other decorations of the church during the different liturgical seasons.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Extraordinary ministers of communion are those who have a special love of Christ in the Eucharist. They participate in the Mass by giving Communion to the faithful and by bringing it to those who are in the hospital and to the homebound.

Altar Servers

Altar servers are those called to serve during the Mass. They help set the pace and guide the congregation in the responses and actions during the Mass. They help bring a spirit of holiness and reverence to the celebration. Age and gender is not a restriction once they have celebrated 1st Communion.

Lectors

According to ancient tradition and the teaching of the Church, the readings other than the Gospel are proclaimed by lay ministers called lectors.

Ushers

The ministry of ushers is the oldest lay ministry in the Catholic Church. The primary duties and responsibilities include greeting and welcoming parishioners as they enter the church, help them to find seats, and taking up the collection

If you feel you have a call to any of these ministries, please contact Fr. Mark.

Outreach Ministries

Hospital and Homebound Visits

St. Rose of Lima Parish has a friendly visitor program and welcomes the opportunity to bring the sacraments to those unable to join our community due to illness or age.

NH Catholic Charities

Since 1945, New Hampshire Catholic Charities has been making a difference by providing a wide range of social services to persons regardless of creed, social, or economic background. Charitable donations are the foundation to the work of the Church and the work of New Hampshire Catholic Charities is made possible by the true generosity of our donors.

Littleton Office: 41 Cottage Street, Littleton, NH 03561
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DINNER BELL

St. Rose of Lima Parish helps support the local Dinner Bell Community Meal Program held weekly at All Saints Episcopal Church in Littleton. From September through May there is a meal served every Tuesday from 5 – 6 p.m. Different area organizations, including our parish, provide and prepare for one meal per month.

Giving Tree Project

Each Advent, parishioners, working with local agencies, generously provide Christmas gifts to many families in need. This has become a meaningful tradition for many parish families to reflect the spirit of Christmas by caring for others in our communities.

History of Saint Rose of Lima Parish

The current building of St. Rose of Lima Parish was built in 1913.

After plowing their fields during the day, local farmers would drop off the stones they had plowed up from the fields at the building site to be used in the construction of the church. The Catholic elementary school was opened in 1920, closed in 1975, and sold to the town of Littleton in 1979.

The current Our Lady of the Snows Mission Church in Franconia was purchased in 1947. It was originally a Protestant church.



St. Rose of Lima Parish Pastors

Very Rev. Mark E. Dollard	2012 - present
Rev. Marcel Martel	2006 - 2012
Rev. John Fleming	2004 - 2006
Rev. Joseph Klatka	1980 - 2004
Rev. S. W. Scruton	1974 – 1980
Rev. John Moran	1973 - 1973
Rev. John Horan	1968 – 1973
Rev. Edward Knott	1968 - 1968
Rev. Hubert Mann	1960 - 1968
Rev. William Collins	1954 - 1960
Rev. John Foley	1945 - 1954
Rev. Thomas O'Connor	1939 - 1945
Rev. Herbert Hennon	1921 - 1939
Rev. Hormisdas Bellefleur	1916 - 1921
Rev. Daniel O'Neil	1911 - 1916
Rev. James Riley	1899 - 1911
Rev. Cyrill Paradis	1893 - 1899
Rev. Denis Hurley	1887 - 1893
Rev. Isidore Noiseux	1882 – 1887

Cemeteries

The St. Rose of Lima New Catholic Cemetery

West Main Street
Littleton, NH 03561

This Catholic cemetery opened June 5, 1919 and is still open. For information on purchasing a burial lot please contact the Sexton, Paul Harvey at (603) 444-2680.

To schedule a funeral service or Mass contact the St. Rose of Lima Parish office at (603) 444-2593.

St. Rose of Lima Cemetery

Brook Road
Bethlehem, NH 03574

This cemetery was established in 1888 while Rev. D. Hurley was pastor at St. Rose. This cemetery is closed to new burials.



Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is the largest Catholic lay service organization in the world, providing more than seventy million-man hours and over \$175 million to charitable causes each year. As a fraternal benefit society, the Knights of Columbus has also grown to be the foremost Catholic insurance company in the industry.

Membership is open to practicing Catholic men and provides many opportunities to work together in service to the Church as well as the general community.

Established locally in 1916, O'Neil Council 1835 has been supporting various community programs such as the Christmas Food Basket Drive, Red Cross blood drives, and donations to Special Olympics for more than one hundred years. The council has also been very active within our St. Rose of Lima Parish community by assisting with parish activities and social events as well as hosting their own activities for K of C members and their families.

For more information about the Knights of Columbus and all the benefits of membership, visit our national website at www.kofc.org.

