

**St. Rose of Lima Parish
Dillon, Montana &
St. John the
Apostle Mission
Melrose, Montana**

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Friday 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Confession: Saturday 3:45-4:30 pm

Dillon Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am & 5:00 pm

Melrose Mass: Sunday 11:00 am

Mass Times for the Immaculate Conception of Mary on Monday, December 8th:
St. John the Apostle, Melrose: 12:10 pm
St. Rose of Lima, Dillon: 6 pm

A Novena and prayers to Our Lady of Guadalupe is taking place every evening at 7:00 pm until December 12th at St. Rose of Lima.

There will be a Mass for Our Lady of Guadalupe at 7:00 pm on December 12th at St. Rose of Lima.

Mass Intentions for this Week

+ Luke James Lenski - Sunday 12/14



**Second Sunday of Advent
December 7, 2025**

READINGS

Monday, December 7th: 689: Gn 3:9-15, 20 Ps 98:1-4 Eph 1:3-6, 11-12 Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday, December 8th: 182: Is 40:1-11 Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13 Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday, December 9th: 183: Is 40:25-31 Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10 Mt 11:28-30

Thursday, December 10th: 184: Is 41:13-20 Ps 145:1, 9-13ab Mt 11:11-15

Friday, December 11th: 690A: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab (Ps) Jdt 13:18bc, 19 Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47 or 707-712

Saturday, December 12th: 186: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19 Mt 17:9a, 10-13 *see* 692: 2 Cor 10:17-11:2 Mt 25:1-13

Saint Augustine: "Hail, full of grace. By these words the angel shows that she was altogether excluded from the wrath of the first sentence, and restored to the full grace of blessing."

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday 12:10 pm

Thursday NO Mass

Friday 12:10 pm

LECTIONARY

Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalms 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

Romans 15:4-9

Luke 3:4, 6

Matthew 3:1-12

NEXT WEEKEND LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Date	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Greeters	Readers
Saturday Dec. 13th 5PM Mass	1.	1. Heidi Peterson 2. Ruth Wharton	1. Kathy Ripley 2. Claris Yuhas	Fran Schisler
Sunday Dec. 14th 9AM Mass	1. Killian Weinacht 2. Gwendolyn Weinacht	1. Ron Johnson 2. Ruth Weinacht 3. Sarah Paull	1. Kelly Bockting 2. Melissa Bockting	1. Jim Hagenbarth
Sunday Dec. 14th 5PM Mass	1.	1. John Hansen 2.	1. Roger Pelletier 2. Cathryn Pelletier	1. Leslie Cox

We encourage all the families and parishioners to cultivate the habit of offering Mass intentions during the week, as a way of praying with the family members/friends who passed away in the hope of rising again. **One week-end Mass can be dedicated for a special intention which can only cover one deceased;** the other Mass of the week-end is dedicated to the people of the parish.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

1. The adults (and also children above 7 years) who have not yet been Baptized are invited to register for the OCIA. If you are contemplating becoming Catholic, please call the Parish Office at 683-4391 or email us at strosedillon@yahoo.com.
2. All those who are Baptized and have not yet completed the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to register by calling or emailing the Parish Office.
3. Baptisms of children (0-6 years) occur after one month of preparation. Parents and Godparents are required to attend class prior to the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism.
4. The preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage lasts six months. If you are contemplating celebrating a wedding, please keep this in mind. Life is beautiful when the covenant is made forever before our Good Lord.

Greeters and Altar Servers are needed for the Immaculate Conception of Mary on December 8th at St. Rose of Lima, Dillon 6:00 pm

All minsters are needed for the Lady of Guadalupe Mass on December 12th at St. Rose of Lima, Dillon at 7:00 pm

Upcoming Meetings held in the Fireplace Room

Knights of Columbus Meeting: Monday, December 8th at 7:00 pm

Nativity Play and Potluck!

We will have our Nativity Play following the 9 am Mass in the Church on Sunday December 14th. The Knights will host a POTLUCK brunch at the Family Center after the play.

United Way Senior and Special Needs Giving Tree

Pick up an application or a name/tag off the tree at the Edwards Jones office across from the Jaycee Park and help a neighbor in need! Please return your wrapped gift with tree tag attached, no later than Tuesday, December 16th. Gifts will be delivered or ready for pick up Friday, December 19th at United Way of Beaverhead County

Join us for a Spirit and love filled retreat by attending a **Catholic Journey Experience Weekend**. It is a great way to set your faith on fire and share God's love with others. The weekends will be held in Deer Lodge at the Saint Mary's Center. The women's weekend is January 22nd - 25th. The men's weekend will be January 29th - February 1st. The retreat is open to all men and women, including those who have already made a Cursillo or Journey. For more information contact Melissa Bockting at (406)925-3047 (women), Brent Henrichs at (406)560-6053 (men), or visit our website under Butte Deanery @ mtcatholicjourney.org.

The family of Adele Rouse would like to sincerely thank St Rose Parish Luncheon Ladies for the lovely Luncheon. We would also thank all parishioners for your donation to the Luncheon and your kindness during this time of loss. Special thanks to Fr. Lively for his guidance and support.
Blessings,
Rouse Family

INTRODUCTION FROM BISHOP VETTER

Greetings to you! In the past days and months, I have heard from many of you from across the Diocese of Helena questions regarding immigration and the stance of the Church. I am happy to share with you our Special Pastoral Message on Immigration by the Bishops of the United States in unity with one another and with our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, issued on November 12, 2025, at our Fall Plenary Assembly in Baltimore. I stand behind this message 100%.

In Christ, I am

+ Austin A. Vetter

Most Rev. Austin A. Vetter
Bishop of Helena



STATEMENT FROM THE UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS ON IMMIGRATION

From the Plenary Assembly in Baltimore - November 12, 2025



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC
DIOCESE OF HELENA

As pastors, we the bishops of the United States are bound to our people by ties of communion and compassion in Our Lord Jesus Christ. We are disturbed when we see among our people a climate of fear and anxiety around questions of profiling and immigration enforcement. We are saddened by the state of contemporary debate and the vilification of immigrants. We are concerned about the conditions in detention centers and the lack of access to pastoral care. We lament that some immigrants in the United States have arbitrarily lost their legal status. We are troubled by threats against the sanctity of houses of worship and the special nature of hospitals and schools. We are grieved when we meet parents who fear being detained when taking their children to school and when we try to console family members who have already been separated from their loved ones.

Despite obstacles and prejudices, generations of immigrants have made enormous contributions to the well-being of our nation. We as Catholic bishops love our country and pray for its peace and prosperity. For this very reason, we feel compelled now in this environment to raise our voices in defense of God-given human dignity.

Catholic teaching exhorts nations to recognize the fundamental dignity of all persons, including immigrants. We bishops advocate for a meaningful reform of our nation's immigration laws and procedures. Human dignity and national security are not in conflict. Both are possible if people of good will work together.

We recognize that nations have a responsibility to regulate their borders and establish a just and orderly immigration system for the sake of the common good. Without such processes, immigrants face the risk of trafficking and other forms of exploitation. Safe and legal pathways serve as an antidote to such risks.

The Church's teaching rests on the foundational concern for the human person, as created in the image and likeness of God (*Genesis 1:27*). As pastors, we look to Sacred Scripture and the example of the Lord Himself, where we find the wisdom of God's compassion. The priority of the Lord, as the Prophets remind us, is for those who are most vulnerable: the widow, the orphan, the poor, and the stranger (*Zechariah 7:10*). In the Lord Jesus, we see the One who became poor for our sake (*2 Corinthians 8:9*), we see the Good Samaritan who lifts us from the dust (*Luke 10:30-37*), and we see the One who is found in the least of these (*Matthew 25*). The Church's concern for neighbor and our concern here for immigrants is a response to the Lord's command to love as He has loved us (*John 13:34*).

To our immigrant brothers and sisters, we stand with you in your suffering, since, when one member suffers, all suffer (*cf. 1 Corinthians 12:26*). You are not alone!

We note with gratitude that so many of our clergy, consecrated religious, and lay faithful already accompany and assist immigrants in meeting their basic human needs. We urge all people of good will to continue and expand such efforts.

We oppose the indiscriminate mass deportation of people. We pray for an end to dehumanizing rhetoric and violence, whether directed at immigrants or at law enforcement. We pray that the Lord may guide the leaders of our nation, and we are grateful for past and present opportunities to dialogue with public and elected officials. In this dialogue, we will continue to advocate for meaningful immigration reform.

As disciples of the Lord, we remain men and women of hope, and hope does not disappoint! (cf. Romans 5:5)

May the mantle of Our Lady of Guadalupe enfold us all in her maternal and loving care and draw us ever closer to the heart of Christ.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

Building a Culture of Life and Family across Montana

Funded in part by the Annual Catholic Appeal, Catholic Services provides confidential counseling throughout our state for expectant parents who need assistance to become new parents to their baby. Additional services include adoption placement, post-adoption support, Rachel's Hope (post abortion help), Youth Mentoring and supportive aid to birth-mothers. Please help provide for these critical services. Our Parish has currently raised 34.2% of our of \$24,000 goal, totaling \$8,140.00. Also, our Parish has 12% of parish households that have participated. Our goal is that 50% of St. Rose of Lima households participate. Please make a small donation today!

Knights of Columbus Christmas Tree and Advent Wreath Sales 2025

- Thursday & Friday December 11th & 12th, 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm.
- Saturday, December 13th, 10 am to 2 pm.

MONTANA YOUTH CHALLENGE ACADEMY

The staff and cadets of the MYCA invite you to the commencement ceremony in recognition of Class 53. Saturday, December 20, 2025 @10:00 am in the Straugh Gymnasium. Light refreshments to follow at the Keltz Arena.

RSVP to melissa.robbs@mycacademy.org

Day-of Livestream available at:

www.facebook.com/MYCAcademy

Thank you for the support of the Challenge mission and the youth we serve!

RISE UP

Christmas Flowers: If you would like to purchase a Poinsettia in memory of someone for Christmas, please pick up an envelope in the back of the church and fill out your loved one's name and your information. Return it in the church collection basket before Christmas! Thank you!

We would like offer a **HUGE THANK YOU** to our anonymous donor for covering the majority of the of the costs for our new Sound System.

Legendary Lodge

Calling all families who would like to attend the 2026 Legendary Lodge season. Please write a letter explaining why you would like to attend Legendary Lodge and turn it into the Parish Office by December 15th if you would like to apply for a \$100 scholarship. We are offering 5 such scholarships this year. Find more information for Legendary Lodge below and at legendarylodge.org



Legendary Lodge 2026 CAMPS SCHEDULE

June 14-19	Junior High #1	July 12-17	High School #2
June 21-26	High School #1	July 19-24	Junior High #2
July 5-10	5/6th Grade Boys	July 26-31	5/6th Grade Girls

Registration for families who live within the Diocese of Helena opens **Jan 5th**. Opens for all other registrants Jan 9th.



Join us for Family Camp!

June 28-30

Registration opens
March 2nd, 2026

Camp Rates

Early Bird:
(Register before Jan 25th)

\$425

Standard:

\$450

IT'S A GIFT, IT'S A TAX CREDIT, IT'S A BLESSING. When you create a Charitable Gift Annuity (CGA) with the Foundation, you create a gift for the Catholic parish or ministry that is close to your heart and you get a 40% Montana tax CREDIT. Forms available in the back of church.

Retirement Fund for Religious

A lifetime of service deserves care in return. "Thanks to your generosity, we can provide the very best care to the sisters in our community," says Sister M. Stephanie Belgeri, 73, a member of the Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George in Alton, Illinois. Donations to the Retirement Fund for Religious provide housing, medical assistance, and essential support for thousands of aging religious. Please consider giving next week.

The Knights of Columbus have decided to pay for the majority of the cost of a new on demand coffee maker for the Family Center. **Thank you!**

PARISH TEAM**Pastor:** Fr. Gregory Lively**Business Manager:** Marisa Lustig-Rhoads**Business Manager:** Rick Parke**Bookkeeper:** Mandy Cerino**Administrative Assistant:** Brandy Ekstedt**Janitorial:** Egan Weinacht**Finance Committee**

Ria Miller (Chair) Ann Egan

Mark Simkins John Hansen

Danna Harrison Mike Thornton

Pastoral Council

Mike Cerino (Chair) Nancy Taylor

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Linda Clark Barby Judge

Renovation Committee

Jim Hagenbarth (Chair)

Kelly Bocking

Kathy Shipman Roger Pelletier

Glen Johnson Kelly Taylor

Virtus Training: Mary Rouse**Knights of Columbus**

Grand Knight: Russ Riebe

Prayer Chain team contact**406-660-1296****STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE****November 30th**

Dillon.....	\$ 3,308.00
Melrose.....	\$ 75.00
Thanksgiving.....	\$ 562.00
Renovations (Dillon).....	\$ 1,150.00
Community Basement.....	\$ 1,947.00
Social Functions.....	\$ 450.00
Church Windows.....	\$ 100.00
Christmas Flowers.....	\$ 455.00
Mass Memorials.....	\$ 120.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT.....	\$ 8,167.00

Reminder to pick-up the NEW 2026 Calendars & Giving Envelopes. They are located in the back of the Church

Our Parish now offers **Formed.org! From the Augustine Institute!** Get thousands of enriching movies, programs, audio and books instantly on FORMED when you sign up with your parish. If you are experiencing difficulty connecting, bring your phone or laptop to coffee after 9 am Mass on Sundays.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION WEEKLY SCHEDULE:**Religious Education** Wednesdays 4:00 PM**Mass** 5:10 PM St. Rose of Lima, Dillon**OCIA** Wednesdays at 6 PM**OTHER ACTIVITIES:****Monthly Rosary** Second Thursday of the month 7:00 PM**Women's Bible Study** Thursdays at 5:00 PM**Knights of Columbus** Coffee and Conversation after 9:00 AM Mass in the Family Center Coffee Room**Catholic Campus Ministry** Weekly Bible Study on Thursdays at 6:30 PM in the CCM Room in the basement of the BTB Building

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? If you are Catholic, would you like to complete your sacraments? For more information about the

Order of Christian Initiation program, please contact the office at 683-4391.

Patron Prayer Candles

Check out the beautiful Prayer Candles in the back of church! There are beautiful pictures on them of the stained glass windows in our beautiful Church! There is also a St. Rose of Lima Prayer on the back. Please put a donation for the candle (s) you want in one of the provided envelopes and return in the offering basket. These would be wonderful Christmas Gifts!

Do you have extra time on your hands? St. Rose Parish has volunteer opportunities, Finance Committee, Community Bargain Basement Volunteers, **Eucharistic Ministers**, Readers, **Greeters**, **Alter Servers**, and **music ministry**. If you are interested in helping with any of these, please call the Parish Office.