

SAINT ROSE OF LIMA CATHOLIC CHURCH'S PARISH PROFILES

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Emily Sauter- Parish Council

Although Emily Sauter has lived in many different places since she left high school in Roseville—Colorado and Wisconsin for college, and South Africa, Ireland, China—and spent considerable time in India, Thailand and Cambodia, she has always come home to Saint Rose, and hopes to remain a member for a long time.

Emily, a professor of communication at Minnesota State University Mankato, says she joined the Parish Council (her father Kevin previously served two terms) because she “felt it was a great way to give back to the parish that has given me so much. I’ve benefited from this community for a long time and now I’m in a place to help the community in return. Especially in a time that is particularly difficult it felt important that I do what I could to help people and this seemed a good way to do just that.”

As a member of the choir since the second grade, Emily wants to see the music ministry grow, along with community outreach, volunteer programs and youth ministry.

She’s also looking for the opportunity to help Saint Rose balance the different needs of the community—serving both our aging population as well as young families and the youth. “Trying to find ways to connect those different groups of people into a cohesive group is always a challenge, but one I think we are up for,” she says. “We also need to reach out to lapsed or disaffected Catholics, finding ways to reconnect them to their faith, and showing them that the church isn’t just about stuffy traditions, but a living faith that can help them make sense of the world and lead ethical lives.”



Emily's goals on the Parish Council:

- Get to know more people.
- Find creative ways for Saint Rose to thrive during the pandemic, and support those who are struggling in these difficult times.

Help continue to grow the parish, draw in new members to both the church and school, and reach out to younger Catholics looking for a new parish home.