



July 12, 2023

Dear St. Rose of Lima Family,

Peace!

This past Saturday (1 July 2023) I began my second year as pastor, and I want to thank each of you for how you have welcomed me and have truly helped me to find a new home! Thank you for accepting me in my craziness with my strengths and foibles.

I am also grateful that we were able to reach our Annual Appeal Goal, but not for the reasons you may think. On the surface, we reached our goal, and I take that as a sign of encouragement and your trust in my leadership style. Most importantly, given the history of this parish with the pain so many have felt, I take it as a sign that healing is taking place. I am grateful that we are learning to live with our yesterdays, while building who we need to be today and where we want to be tomorrow.

I have said before, and I will repeat, in saying “yes” to coming here, God has some blessings in store for me. I received a new home and family. I pray you have found some blessings with me being here.

Thank you for your love, your prayers, your support, and your acceptance.

Gratefully, your brother and pastor,

Fr. Larry