

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew

**ST. MATTHEW PARISH AND MISSIONS**

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church  
Caroline - St. Joseph the Workman Church  
Evergreen - Jesuit Martyrs Church



Evergreen - Jesuit Martyrs



Caroline - St. Joseph



Bulletin QR Code

**INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE SUNDAY**

*Wisdom 9:13-18b \* Philemon 9-10, 12-17 \* Luke 14:25-33*

**To be a disciple we must carry our cross and follow him.** The cost of discipleship is real. To love Christ above family, self, possessions – this is difficult! And that is the cross we are to carry: the difficulty of prioritizing Christ when it would be easier not to. After all, what else is there? Only the cross. We carry our cross to become like the Master who carried his cross to death, victory and redemption. ♦ **In our first reading** we learn that knowing God’s ways and plans comes only through the wisdom of the Holy Spirit. **In today’s epistle**, Paul urges Philemon to be merciful to his runaway slave, who served Paul in prison, and accept him back not as a slave but a brother. **In the Gospel** Jesus tells the crowds what is required to be his disciple: placing discipleship above relationships, possessions and their own lives.



**Each of us has a list of responsibilities that are important. We have work and families, organizations we support and people who depend on us. We try to fulfill all our duties properly. This is part of living a good, Christian life. Undoubtedly there are times when we could give more, and maybe even sometimes when it would be best to give a little less. But we feel committed to doing what’s asked of us, and when we do these things, we feel we’ve done what we should – what God asks of us.**

**And yet, in today’s Gospel Jesus tells us that this is not enough. Simply fulfilling what is required as a parent, child, employee, committee chairperson or neighbor is not the essence of discipleship. Listen again to what Jesus says: If any one comes to me without hating his father- and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple.**

**Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. The force of a text like this reframes the ordinary world we know. Jesus’ words should shake us up. So let’s let them. According to Jesus, what is discipleship? Discipleship is not just one more hobby or extracurricular activity. Discipleship is why we do what we do, mindful of the costs it brings. What Jesus commands is prioritizing him as the source of our life, and as its ultimate end. It is making our love for him the ordering principle of everything else we do. For without him, nothing else matters.**

**FIRST COMMUNION - ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING FOR PARENTS**

**Tuesday - September 10, 2019 - 07.00 PM**

**All parents of children who plan to receive First Holy Communion in our parish in 2020 are invited to this meeting.** You can register your child at the meeting or register before the meeting by filling REGISTRATION FORM. Download REGISTRATION FORM from our parish website or call the office for the registration form to be e-mailed, faxed or mailed to you - return the form to the office in person or by mail, fax, e-mail or put it in the envelope in the collection basket during Sunday collection. Usually children receive First Holy Communion in Grade 2.

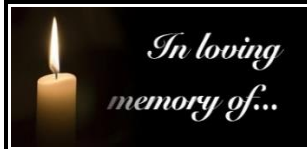


## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES – ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

Date and Time	Greeters/Gifts Bearers	Proclaimer 1	Proclaimer 2	EMHC - Hosts	EMHC – C1	EMHC - C2
Sep. 07, 2019 at 07.00 PM	Laverne Froese	Doraine Lonsdale	Orville Kittelson	Ernie Murias	Leo Pelletier	Karen Carmichael
Sep. 08, 2019 at 09.00 AM	Carla Marks	Marliss Cartier	Dom Couve	Barry Kirtzinger	Audrey Kokesch	Doreen Couture
Sep. 14, 2019 at 07.00 PM	Roxane Melvin	Nathalie Manuel	Leo Pelletier	Karen Carmichael	Laverne Froese	Laurier Nobert
Sep. 15, 2019 at 09.00 AM	Knights of Columbus and CWL will look after ministries on this day					

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES – EVERGREEN

Date and Time	Proclaimer 1	Proclaimer 2	Gifts Bearers	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Chalice
Sep. 08, 2019 at 11.00 AM	Justin Szymanek	Lori Hoven	The Persson Family	Gerald and Margie Miller
Sep. 15, 2019 at 11.00 AM	Therese Hoven	Margie Miller	The Matt Andersen Family	Bill and Shirley-Anne Pollock



## In Loving Memory of PEARL HOMMY

**FUNERAL SERVICE:** Rocky Mountain House – Rocky Funeral Home (4804 48 St.)  
Saturday – September 07, 2019 at 02.00 PM

### THIS WEEK

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



Friday - September 13, 2019 ♦ 09.30 AM - 12.00 PM (Private Adoration) ♦ Mass at 09.00 AM



### Lectio: Mark - "FAITH NOT FEAR" • RMH

### SUNDAYS BIBLE STUDY

Starting today, Sunday - September 08, 2019

Sunday Bible Study Group ♦ September 08 - December 15, 2019 ♦ 14 sessions

After Mass for 75 min. (30 minutes video lecture and 45 minutes discussion)

For more information: Contact Lisa Sembaliuk 403-846-7137 (phone/text)

### CHURCH OFFICE

[Closed]

### OFFICE CLOSED

### SECRETARY ON HOLIDAYS

Parish office will be closed from Tuesday, Sep. 10 to Wednesday, Sep. 18, 2019 inclusive



## PARISH GARAGE SALE

Thursday - Sep. 12 ♦ Starting at 06.30 PM → Move items from garage to basement and display them on tables

### ST. MATTHEW PARISH HALL - ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

**Saturday - September 14, 2019 ♦ 09.00 AM - 03.30 PM**

Saturday, September 14, 2019 after 07.00 PM Mass. Parishioners are encouraged to help themselves to anything which is left over for free. A donation box will be available. Sunday, September 15, 2019 after 09.00 AM Mass. Parishioners are encouraged to help themselves to anything which is left over for free. A donation box will be available.

Sunday - Sep. 15 ♦ Starting at 12.00 PM (Noon) → Clean up and pack up remaining items

Please bring items for Garage Sale to the office during office hours. Office closed Sep. 10 - 18.

## CWL ANNUAL WOMENS' RETREAT – SYLVAN LAKE

WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 18, 2019 → 8.30 AM - 3.30 PM

**A DAY WITH POPE FRANCIS** ♦ Presented by Sr. Lynn Rouleau, csj. ♦ COST: \$50.00 per person.

To register please call Pauline Harriot 403-746-2745. → AT: Sunnyside - Christian Retreat Centre ♦ 202 Birchcliff Road, Birchcliff, AB (Northshore of Sylvan Lake) → HOSTED BY: Sylvan Lake CWL → Cheques made out to: Our Lady of Assumption CWL.



### CWL

### NEXT CWL MEETING – Sunday, September 22, 2019.

First CWL meeting after the summer is moved from fourth Sunday to fifth Sunday of the month after 9.00 AM Mass.



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

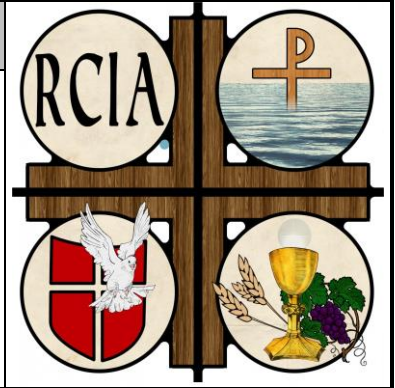
### NEXT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING – September 24, 2019.

First Knights of Columbus meeting after the summer is on Tuesday, September 24, 2019 at 7.00 PM.



**RCIA - ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING** Tuesday, Sep. 24, 2019 - 07.00 PM

Life is a journey that continually searches for meaning. The human heart hungers for relationships that nurture one's maturity and ability to love and to be loved. Often as one seeks to fulfill these very human yearnings, the realization that something is missing from life is made. As one reflects upon this void, it is not unusual to discover that this something is God. This awakening may lead to a turning point in one's life to commit to a relationship with God and seek out a worshipping community to guide one's journey in faith. Many may ask the question: **How can I become Catholic?** If you are interested in becoming Catholic or know someone who has an interest, please contact Church Office and give your name, address, and telephone number. **The deadline for registration is September 17, 2019.** The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) is the normal way for unbaptized persons and those who have been baptized in another Christian tradition to become a Catholic. We will start our R.C.I.A. program in St. Matthew Parish with organizational meeting on September 24, 2019 at 7.00 PM.



**NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS** Wednesday, September 25, 2019 - 07.00 PM

**Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church** • Please, register at the parish office before Sep. 18, 2019 if you plan to attend.

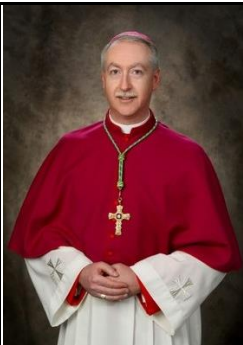


**VISIT OF ARCHBISHOP RICHARD SMITH**

**Sunday - September 29, 2019**

**CHANGE OF MASS TIMES:**

- Sep. 28, Sat. at 05.00 PM - Mass in Caroline**
- Sep. 28, Sat. at 07.00 PM - Mass in Rocky Mountain House**
- Sep. 29, Sun. at 09.00 AM - Mass in Evergreen**
- Sep. 29, Sun. at 11.00 AM - Mass in Rocky Mountain House**



**NEXT BEAUTIFUL BREAKFAST - ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE**

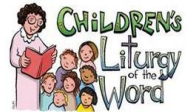
Sunday → After 11.00 AM Mass with Archbishop Smith on Sep. 29, 2019 ♦ St. Matthew Church

All parishioners are invited for Beautiful Breakfast following 11.00 AM Mass on Sunday, Sep. 29. See you all!

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**Volunteers needed!**

Consider this ministry, please! We will start Children's Liturgy in the next few weeks. If you are interested in leading or helping with Children's Liturgy please contact Mona Cruickshank at 403.846.1027.



**MATTHEW: THE KING AND HIS KINGDOM - RMH**

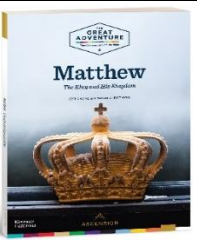
**MONDAYS BIBLE STUDY**

**Starting on Monday - September 30, 2019 at 07.00 PM**

**24 SESSIONS • Workbook - \$50.00 (YOU DON'T NEED TO BUY TO PARTICIPATE)**

Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. • Register at Parish office • Registration deadline - Sep. 22, 2019

**For more information: Contact Mara Gagne 403-845-0940 (phone/text)**



**FIRST ANNUAL ARCHBISHOP'S DINNER.** The Archbishop's Dinner has a new webpage. Check it out at [caedm.ca/dinner](http://caedm.ca/dinner) for information on tickets and how you can support the dinner even if you can't make it in person. The dinner will start with cocktails at 6.00 PM on Friday, October 4, at the Edmonton Convention Centre. Come celebrate the good stories of our Catholic community and hear about the Archbishop's vision for future. Tickets are \$100 and may be reserved by email to [dinner@caedm.ca](mailto:dinner@caedm.ca) or by phone to Anna at 780-469-1010 ext. 2139. We hope to see you there!

**ALL HALLOW'S EVE PARTY = ALL SAINTS**

**Thursday - Oct. 31, 2019 ♦ 05.30 PM - 07.30 PM**

**All Hallow's Eve Party** (aka All Saints Party). Dress up as your favourite Saint and participate in Saint-themed games, songs and activities. We are also having a Saint-Themed Potluck. Please bring a main course and also either a salad/veg or desert to share. Register at the parish office by October 28, 2019. **All are welcome!**



**NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA.** Every September, the Bishops of Canada make an appeal for financial assistance to support their work and the work of each diocese/eparchy by means of the Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada. In the Archdiocese of Edmonton, this is one of 11 different Catholic organizations and institutions supported through our **Together We Serve** appeal, rather than through a separate collection. ♦ Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCC) is part of a worldwide network of bishops conferences which are a country's major link to the Vatican. The CCCC enables the bishops to serve Canadian Catholics by educating and speaking out on matters of public interest. The CCCC's Publication Service provides a variety of liturgical and catechetical publications for use in our parishes, and its various committees work to nurture relationships with aboriginal peoples, other Christians and other faith groups, and lay movements and associations. Thank you for sharing generously through Together We Serve to support our bishops.



# PASTOR - FR. LEON KLER

Deacon (Ret.) - Bernie Ouellette  
Secretary - Vivian Duhamel

## ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

5208-53 Ave (Box 130) ♦ Rocky Mountain House, AB \* T4T 1A1

### Office Hours

Monday	12.00 PM (Noon) - 04.00 PM
Tuesday	12.00 PM (Noon) - 04.00 PM
Wednesday	12.00 PM (Noon) - 04.00 PM
Thursday	12.00 PM (Noon) - 04.00 PM
Friday	12.00 PM (Noon) - 04.00 PM

### Contact Information

Direct voice/fax/text line to office	403.845.3457
Direct voice/fax/text line to pastor	587.355.3947
Direct voice/fax/text line for prayer requests	403.407.1932
Direct email address to office	<a href="mailto:office@smpmhc.ca">office@smpmhc.ca</a>
Direct email address to pastor	<a href="mailto:pastor@smpmhc.ca">pastor@smpmhc.ca</a>

## PARISH MINISTRIES

Parish Pastoral Council	Lauren MacKenzie	403.845.2836
Parish Finance Council	Randall Sugden	403.844.8478
Ministry to the Sick	Ernie Murias	403.845.4860
Called to Protect	Ernie Murias	403.845.4860
Baptism Preparation Class	Steve/Donna Oscar	403.895.0373
First Communion Class	Catherine van Kampen	403.845.2923
Children's Liturgy	Mona Cruickshank	403.846.1027
Youth Group	Peter van Kampen	403.848.0955
Prayer Chain	Alice Murray	403.722.4056
Knights of Columbus	Gary Donald	403.845.5269
CWL	Joyce Donald	403.895.4156
Bible Study Sundays	Lisa Sembaliuk	403.846.7137
Bible Study Mondays	Mara Gagne	403.845.0940

## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday	07.00 PM	Rocky Mountain House
Sunday	09.00 AM	Rocky Mountain House
Sunday	11.00 AM	Evergreen
Sunday	01.00 PM	Caroline

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	06.30 PM - St. Matthew Church, RMH
Wednesday	09.00 AM - St. Matthew Church, RMH
Thursday	09.00 AM - St. Matthew Church, RMH 10.30 AM - Jesuit Martyrs, Evergreen
Friday	09.00 AM - St. Matthew Church, RMH

## MONTHLY MASSES

First Wednesday	08.00 AM - St. Matthew School, RMH
First Wednesday	11.00 AM - Eckville Manor, Eckville
First Friday	11.00 AM - Clearwater Centre, RMH
Second Wednesday	08.00 AM - St. Dominic School, RMH
Second Wednesday	11.00 AM - Westview Lodge, RMH

**REQUESTS FOR USE OF CHURCH FACILITIES MUST BE APPROVED BY PASTOR AND BOOKED THROUGH OFFICE.**

## BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

Contact office if you want your child to be baptized in our parish. Preparation Class is mandatory. For more info, call office.

## CONFESSIONS

Rocky Mountain House - Every Saturday from 6.15 PM to 6.45 PM  
Evergreen/Caroline - after Sun. Masses ♦ Anytime by appointment

## MARRIAGE

Contact office if you want to celebrate Sacrament of Marriage in our parish. Preparation is mandatory. For more info, call office.

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every Friday in St. Matthew Church - Rocky Mountain House  
**9.00 AM MASS ♦ 9.30 AM - 12.00 PM ADORATION**  
Every First Tuesday of the month in St. Matthew Church - RMH  
**6.30 PM MASS ♦ 7.00 PM - 8.00 PM HOLY HOUR ADORATION**

**PARISH WEBSITE → [WWW.SMPRMH.CA](http://WWW.SMPRMH.CA)**



# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

## Saturday

07.00 PM  
Intention:

## Sunday

09.00 AM  
Intention:

11.00 AM  
Intention:

01.00 PM  
Intention:

## September 07, 2019 - 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church  
Blessings and grace for Irene Swanson on her 86<sup>th</sup> Birthday

## September 08, 2019 - 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

For a special intention

Evergreen - Jesuit Martyrs Church

For all members of our parish communities

Caroline - St. Joseph the Workman Church

+ Erlinda Dayanan

## Monday

## September 09, 2019 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

No Mass

## Tuesday

06.30 PM  
Intention:

08.00 AM  
Intention:

## Wednesday

08.00 AM  
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## Thursday

06.30 PM  
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09.00 AM  
Intention:

## Friday

09.00 AM  
Intention:

09.30 AM - 12.00 PM → ADORATION → → → → →

11.00 AM  
Intention:

## September 10, 2019 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

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## September 11, 2019 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

Rocky Mountain House - St. Dominic School Chapel

For staff and students of St. Dominic School

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

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Rocky Mountain House - Westview Lodge

For all prayer board intentions

## September 12, 2019 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

No Mass at 10.30 AM in Evergreen - Fr. Leon attends meetings in Edmonton **NO MASS**

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church → → → **TIME CHANGE**

♦♦♦♦♦♦♦♦ No intention requested

## September 13, 2019 - St. John Chrysostom; bishop, doctor

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

Healing and grace for Chris Ouellette

St. Matthew Church, RMH

Rocky Mountain House - Clearwater Centre

♦♦♦♦♦♦♦♦ No intention requested

## Saturday

07.00 PM  
Intention:

## Sunday

09.00 AM  
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11.00 AM  
Intention:

01.00 PM  
Intention:

## September 14, 2019 - 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

For a special intention

## September 15, 2019 - 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

+ Victor Perrault

Evergreen - Jesuit Martyrs Church

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Caroline - St. Joseph the Workman Church

For all members of our parish communities

SEP. 01, 2019

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!

<b>SUNDAY REG. COLLECTION:</b>	RMH - \$2,964.70 * Evergreen - \$802.00 * Caroline - \$210.00
<b>CHILDREN'S COLLECTION:</b>	RMH - \$29.80 * Evergreen - \$4.10 * Caroline - \$2.00
<b>MAINTENANCE FUND:</b>	RMH - \$265.00 * Evergreen - \$100.00 * Caroline - \$00.00
<b>TOGETHER WE SERVE:</b>	RMH - \$680.00 * Evergreen - \$50.00 * Caroline - \$00.00
<b>MEXICO MISSION:</b>	RMH - \$975.00 * Evergreen - \$00.00 * Caroline - \$00.00

## MEET THE EXCEPTION.

ALIES and The Back Porch invite you to an evening with Rebecca Kiessling on **Thursday, October 24**, at 7.00 PM at the Chateau Louis Hotel & Conference Centre, 11727 Kingsway NW. Rebecca is a wife, mother, attorney and international pro-life speaker who was conceived during sexual assault. Rebecca will be sharing her amazing testimony of healing and discovering her identity. Tickets are limited; get yours now for what is sure to be an inspiring evening. Please visit [alies.ca/event](http://alies.ca/event) for tickets and for posters and more information.

**MEET THE EXCEPTION**  
featuring **REBECCA KIESSLING**

Many who are otherwise against abortion still believe it is acceptable to carry a fetus to term. Rebecca Kiessling, who was conceived during a sexual assault, shares her complete story of healing and discovering her identity.

**THURSDAY OCTOBER 24**  
Chateau Louis - 11727 Kingsway NW, Edmonton  
Doors Open at 6:00pm. Presentation at 7:00pm.  
Dessert Buffet to Follow

**Tickets - \$20**

FOR TICKETS VISIT: [WWW.ALIES.CA/EVENT](http://WWW.ALIES.CA/EVENT)  
For more information, call 780.422.9864 or email [admin@alies.ca](mailto:admin@alies.ca)