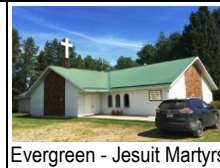


Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew

August 02, 2020 - 18 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

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



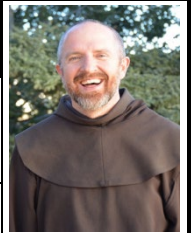
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INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE SUNDAY

*Isaiah 55:1-3 * Romans 8:35, 37-39 * Matthew 14:13-21*

Christ gives us all we need to feed those he calls us to serve. Today's readings call us, like the disciples, to feed others - but only after having been nourished ourselves. We are invited to delight in rich fare, feasting on the love of God that is stronger than death. In responding to God's call, we can trust that Christ will give us all we need to carry out his commands. • The Lord speaks through **Isaiah**, exhorting his people to come to the water and be renewed by the *everlasting covenant*. **Paul** tells the Romans that nothing can separate them from the love of Christ. **In the Gospel**, after hearing of the death of John the Baptist, Jesus heals the sick and feeds the 5,000 abundantly.

WE WELCOME FR. DANIEL GURNICK (OFM)



Fr. Daniel Gurnick (OFM) will celebrate Masses in Rocky Mountain House:

Saturday - 7.00 PM * Sunday - 9.00 AM * Tuesday - 6.30 PM * Wednesday - 9.00 AM * Thursday - 9.00 AM

Next week Fr. Leon will go to Edmonton for medical appointments (Aug. 03-06).

NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED to attend weekday Masses.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED to attend Sunday Masses. **To Register Contact Parish Office:**

Phone/Text: 403-845-3457 (Monday - Friday * 12.00 PM - 4.00 PM) • Email: office@smprmh.ca (Monday - Friday * 12.00 PM - 4.00 PM)

CONFESSIONS: Any time only by appointment with Fr. Leon. No confession before Weekend Masses.



AUGUST 05 - 14, 2020

OFFICE CLOSED!

**Vivian will be on vacation from Aug. 05 to Aug. 14 inclusive.
OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED.**

**If someone needs assistance, please contact Fr. Leon:
phone/text: (587) 355 - 3947 or email: pastor@smprmh.ca**

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THIS WEEK

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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THIS WEEK

HOLY HOUR ADORATION

Tuesday - August 04, 2020 ♦ 07.00 PM - 08.00 PM ♦ Mass at 06.30 PM

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THIS WEEK

PRIVATE ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Friday - August 07, 2020 ♦ 09.30 AM - 12.00 PM (Private Adoration) ♦ Mass at 09.00 AM

Take a moment during your busy days to remove yourself once a month from that business of today's life and come and spend some quality time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in St. Matthew Church. Prayer and meditation before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament are great ways to spend some special time with Jesus. You can ask Him for graces for yourself or for loved ones, reflect on His Word, or just keep Him company silently! Offer your precious time to Him - come for Adoration. Will you spend an hour with Jesus? Will you come?

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES – ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

Date and Time	Attendance Recorder	Usher	Proclaimer	Projector Operator
Aug. 01, 2020 at 07.00 PM	Jo-Anne Como	Faye Boyle	Marliss Cartier	Alex Cartier
Aug. 02, 2020 at 09.00 AM	Jeannette Hobden	Lisa Sembaliuk	Morgan Duhamel	Linda Schmidt
Aug. 08, 2020 at 07.00 PM	Mary Kennedy	Bonnie Perreault	Hope Perreault	Brandt Perreault
Aug. 09, 2020 at 09.00 AM	Becky Marland	Jim Marland	Bill Fletcher	Mara Gagne

SUNDAY REFLECTION

Many of us struggle to balance the demands in our life. How often do our conversations center on how busy we are and how much we have to do? Today's readings speak into that pressure, into that rush, into our often overextended lives.

Paul asks the Romans, *Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.* Isaiah offers us a similar comfort: *Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.*

What are we hungry for? What do we thirst for? What are our deepest needs? The Lord tells us, come to the water! Drink and eat without cost. Receive Christ, whose love for you is stronger than death – stronger than present or future things, stronger than powers or any other creature.

If God is truly calling us to care for others, to participate in the work God is doing in the world, then he also desires to give us everything we need to do so. This means we must try to reject the urge to be constantly “doing,” and instead root all our efforts in the truth that we are, first and foremost, infinitely loved. We do not have to earn this love by doing more or better. We do not have to spend [our] money for that which is not bread; [our] labour for that which does not satisfy. We need only to rely on the Lord; listen to him; heed his voice that we may have life and be renewed with the everlasting covenant.

As we approach the Eucharist, the fulfillment of the covenant, let us bring our needs and our hunger to Christ. Let us confidently seek the renewal Christ wants to offer us. Let us open our hearts to be nourished by his love so that we can feed those he calls us to serve.





In Loving Memory of RHEA CODERRE (1943-2020)

FUNERAL VIGIL: Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church • Thursday – July 30, 2020 - 07.00 PM

FUNERAL MASS: Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church • Friday – July 31, 2020 - 11.00 AM



In Loving Memory of ROMAN KOWAL (1933-2020)

FUNERAL MASS: Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church • Saturday – August 01, 2020 - 11.00 AM

SUNDAY MASSES: Sat. 7.00 PM RMH * Sun. 09.00 AM RMH * Sun. 11.00 AM Evergreen * Sun. 01.00 PM Caroline

WEEKDAY MASSES: Mon. No Mass * Tue. 6.30 PM RMH * Wed. 9.00 AM RMH * Thu. 9.00 AM RMH & 11.00 AM Evergreen * Fri. 9.00 AM RMH

ST. MATTHEW PARISH ACCEPTS E-TRANSFERS

If you manage your banking online, we have some exciting news! St. Matthew Parish is now accepting e-transfers. Use the email: office@smprmh.ca to add St. Matthew Parish as a contact. • When you e-transfer money, please include your name, address, envelope number, donation amount and any special instructions in the message box for the transfer. THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



SPECIAL APPEAL FOR DONATIONS

With the absence of regular Masses, we would like to highlight the option of Automatic Bank Withdrawal for regular and Together We Serve offerings. It's simple to implement, just fill in the form that is available on our parish website and confirm when you would like to start the deductions. Changes or cancellations can be made at any time but must be in writing. You can also donate to parish by bringing your donation to our parish office during office hours or you can donate securely and safely on our parish website or by e-transfers.



PASTOR - FR. LEON KLER

**Deacon (Retired) - Bernie Ouellette
Secretary - Vivian Duhamel**

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday **12.00 PM (Noon) - 04.00 PM**

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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
11.00 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
Second Friday 11.00 AM - Ravines at Park Ave., 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



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

LIVESTREAMING ALL MASSES IN ROCKY

We continue to livestream all Weekday and Sunday Masses celebrated in St. Matthew Church in Rocky.



NOTE: If you attend the livestreamed Mass your image may be included in the online video.

Saturday August 01, 2020 – 18th Sunday in OT
07.00 PM RMH – St. Matthew **FR. DAN GURNICK** ♦ **Live on You Tube**
Intention: Blessings & grace for Morgan Duhamel and Susanna Heystek

Sunday August 02, 2020 – 18th Sunday in OT
09.00 AM RMH – St. Matthew **FR. DAN GURNICK** ♦ **Live on You Tube**
Intention: For the intentions of Eda Otteson

11.00 AM Evergreen – Jesuit Martyrs Church **FR. LEON KLER**

Intention: ♦♦♦♦♦♦♦♦ No intention requested

01.00 PM Caroline – St. Joseph the Workman Church **FR. LEON KLER**

Intention: For all members of our parish communities

Monday August 03, 2020 – Weekday in Ordinary Time
No Mass

Tuesday August 04, 2020 – St. Jean-Marie Vianney, Priest
06.30 PM Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church **FR. DAN GURNICK**
Intention: + Maurice Côté

07.00 PM – 08.00 PM → HOLY HOUR ADORATION → → St. Matthew Church, RMH

Wednesday August 05, 2020 – Weekday in Ordinary Time
09.00 AM Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church **FR. DAN GURNICK**
Intention: For the outpouring of the Holy Spirit

Thursday August 06, 2020 – Transfiguration of the Lord
09.00 AM Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church **FR. DAN GURNICK**

Intention: + + Otto John Mayrl & Dr. Otto Huhn

11.00 AM Evergreen – Jesuit Martyrs Church

Mass is cancelled!

Friday August 07, 2020 – Weekday in Ordinary Time
09.00 AM RMH – St. Matthew Church **FR. LEON KLER** ♦ **Live on You Tube**
Intention: Blessings for Rose Marie Sachela Geiger

09.30 AM – 12.00 PM → ADORATION → → → → → St. Matthew Church, RMH

Saturday August 08, 2020 – 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
07.00 PM Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church
Intention: + Rhea Coderre

Sunday August 09, 2020 – 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
09.00 AM Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church
Intention: + Bill Long

11.00 AM Evergreen – Jesuit Martyrs Church

Intention: For all members of our parish communities

01.00 PM Caroline – St. Joseph the Workman Church

Intention: ♦♦♦♦♦♦♦♦ No intention requested

REGISTRATION NEEDED FOR WEEKEND MASSES ONLY!

JULY 26, 2020 THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!

SUNDAY REG. COLLECTION:	RMH - \$1,002.30 * Evergreen - \$165.00 * Caroline - \$55.00
MAINTENANCE FUND:	RMH - \$20.00 * Evergreen - \$00.00 * Caroline - \$00.00
TOGETHER WE SERVE:	RMH - \$00.00 * Evergreen - \$00.00 * Caroline - \$00.00
ONLINE DONATIONS:	RMH - \$545.00 * Evergreen - \$00.00 * Caroline - \$00.00

OPTIONS TO CONSIDER FOR DONATIONS TO THE PARISH:

- Drop off your donation at the office or mail it to the parish
- Pre-authorized debit from your bank account (form to be filled)
- Donate button on parish website • E-transfer

For more info contact parish office.