

January 16, 2022 – 02 Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

ST. MATTHEW PARISH & MISSIONS

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



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In Loving Memory of PIOTR (PETER) KLER (1958-2022)

Brother of Fr. Leon Kler passed away on Friday, January 14, 2022. He was 63 years old.
Funeral Mass – Wednesday, January 19, 2022 • St. Joseph Church – Myslina, Poland

PASTOR'S MESSAGE. Hello, dear parishioners and friends: how are you doing? I hope and pray that everyone is doing well. I always keep you all in my prayers. I am glad to see you in the church in person and I pray for all who participate in our Masses online (parishioners and guests). **I missed you!** Let us stay together during this special time supporting each other and keep everyone in our daily prayers. May God bless you!

FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAM 2022

SUNDAY – JANUARY 16, 2022 ♦ 01.00 PM – 04.00 PM

SESSION 1/2 – COMMUNION



PARISH PRAYER GROUP

JAN. 18, 2022 • 7.00 PM - 8.30 PM

Special invitation for all our parishioners to join our Parish Prayer Group. Starting Tuesday, January 11, 2022 Parish Prayer Group will meet every Tuesday (except Adoration Tuesdays - First Tuesdays of the month) from 7.00 PM to 8.30 PM. **Mass at 6.30 PM.**



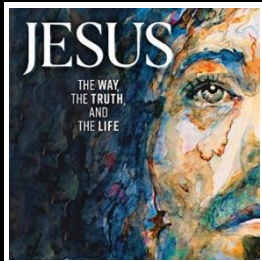
NEXT MEETING

Wednesday – January 19, 2022 • 7.00 PM – 9.00 PM



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - RMH

Friday – January 21, 2022 ♦ 09.30 AM - 12.00 PM (Adoration) ♦ Mass at 09.00 AM



JESUS: THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE - RMH

Starting on Monday – Jan. 31, 2022 at 07.00 PM

MONDAYS BIBLE STUDY

Participants will meet every week to view video presentation followed by a time of group discussion. Registration deadline – January 24, 2022. Register in the office.

10 SESSIONS • For more information contact Mara Gagne 403-845-0940 (phone/text)

Jesus is our savior, our redeemer, our Lord, and our God. Our belief in Jesus is what makes us who we are as Catholics, as Christians, but do we really know him as we should? Is Jesus a part of your life, or is he at the center of your life as he should be? We invite you to make him the center of your life by joining us for **Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life**, a 10-week video study program that explores the entirety of Jesus' life and what he means for us as Catholics today.



CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES FOR 2022

New collection envelopes are available at the back of each church.

Thank You for your continual support!



“ST. JOSEPH: OUR SPIRITUAL FATHER”

The Knights of Columbus Council would like to take the opportunity to share a documentary entitled “St Joseph: Our Spiritual Father”. We believe that you will find it to be both informative and inspirational. We hope that you can find time to view it and to gain a deeper understanding and appreciation for St. Joseph, the protector and provider of the holy family.

Copy the link below to view the documentary and/or to learn more about the Knights of Columbus:
<https://www.kofc.org/stjoseph>

NOTICE TO CWL MEMBERS

You will be receiving or maybe already received a mailout from St. Matthew CWL within the next few days. In the mail you will find enclosed a letter from the executive, a ballot for the National motions that have been put forward, a “Catholic and Living It” pamphlet that outlines the National Theme for 2022, and a request for items, excerpts, or pictures that may be shared to recreate the story behind St. Matthew Parish CWL from the past to the present. The Ballots will need to be returned in a timely matter so please make note of the return date so your vote can be counted. God bless you all!

Your sisters in Christ,

St. Matthew CWL executive

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

Pope Francis explains - "**Synodality represents the main road for the Church, called to renew herself under the action of the Spirit and by listening to the Word.**" As the Synod’s Diocesan phase unfolds in the Archdiocese of Edmonton, we remind you that all resources can be found here: www.caedm.ca/synod

Each parish needs a parish Synod Coordinator(s) and Listening Session Leader(s) to assist in leading parish listening sessions for the Synod. If this is something you would be interested in please contact the parish office. There will be more opportunities for parish participation in the coming weeks. Those who are interested in being involved in the Synod from our parish, please contact the office. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Eugenia Kowalczyk, Synod Coordinator for the Archdiocese of Edmonton at synod@caedm.ca



WEEK of
PRAYER
for CHRISTIAN UNITY
2022

*"We saw the star in the East,
and we came to worship him" (Mt 2:2)*



January 18-25. January is a month when Christians around the world pay particular attention to the unity of the Church. Specifically, Christians dedicate an entire week during the month to pray for unity among the followers of Jesus and especially to overcome historical and present divisions that exist between church communities.

The 2022 theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, “We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him” (Mt 2:2), was prepared by the Middle East Council of Churches, based in Beirut, Lebanon. The international theme and resources speak to our world’s urgent need for solidarity and transformation in the face of political, economic, and social turmoil, including the challenges and injustices highlighted by the COVID-19 pandemic. As we join the Christians of the Middle East in the journey to Christ’s manger, may we become a sign of the unity that God desires for all creation, and may we return to our home, our churches, and our world by new ways.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES – ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

Date and Time	Sacristan	Greeter(s) – Gifts	Proclaimer 1	Proclaimer 2	Projector
Jan. 15, 2022 at 07.00 PM	Jo-Anne Como	Dom & Mandy Couve	Doraine Lonsdale	Rhonda Caluttung	Audrey Kokesch
Jan. 16, 2022 at 09.00 AM	Becky Marland	Knights of Columbus and CWL will look after ministries on this day			Linda Schmidt
Jan. 22, 2022 at 07:00 PM	Mona Cruickshank	Morgan & Susanna Duhamel	Laurier Nobert	Karen Carmichael	Hope Perreault
Jan. 23, 2022 at 09:00 AM	Linda Collinson	Jeannette Hobden	Becky Marland	Jim Marland	Doreen Quintal

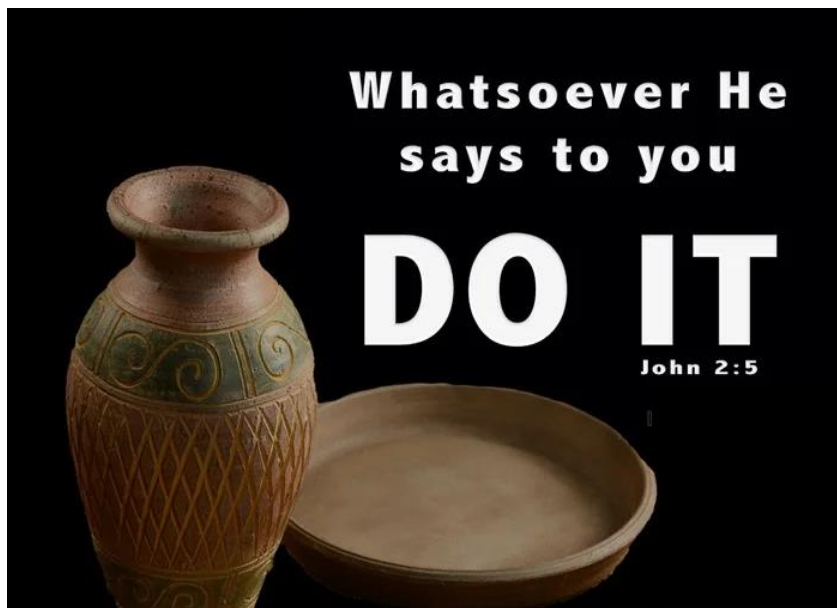
LITURGICAL MINISTRIES – EVERGREEN

Date and Time	Proclaimer 1	Proclaimer 2	Gifts Bearers
Jan. 16, 2022 at 11.00 AM	Roy Hoven	Justin Szymanek	No procession with gifts
Jan. 23, 2022 at 11.00 AM	Tim Hoven	Juanita Szymanek	No procession with gifts

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE SUNDAY

*Isaiah 62:1-5 * 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 * John 2:1-11*

God intends to make each one of us a new creation in Jesus Christ. Isaiah encourages the people, giving them hope for the future and reminding them of God’s love for them. We can take encouragement from these same words, especially since Christ has come for us. The Lord longs to breathe his divine life into each of us, making us new and whole. • In the first reading, Isaiah prophesies Zion’s reversal of fortune. Saint Paul writes to the Corinthians that all have been endowed with different gifts and charisms, each generated by the same God – Father, Son, and Spirit. In the Gospel, Jesus and his mother attend a wedding at Cana in Galilee. When they run out of wine, Mary instructs the servers, *do whatever he tells you*. Jesus turns water into wine.



God delights in each one of us. The context of the first reading today from the prophet Isaiah is the Israelites living once again in the land of Judah after having been in exile. Life is harsh, the economic situation is bad, and pagan rituals are very tempting. The leadership’s task at hand was to rebuild the once-great city, and the immensity of work and effort seemed daunting – almost impossible. They were losing interest. They were losing hope. They were losing any motivation to enter back into right worship of God. • So Isaiah’s words are really a rallying cry. The prophet Isaiah will not be silent. He will not be quiet. Why? Isaiah understands the importance of not only the city itself, but most importantly, the temple.

For Jews, the temple was the pinnacle of right worship. It was the place where heaven met earth – the divine met humanity. God chose the Jewish people and he chose to dwell among them. • In today’s Gospel, we see Jesus as he performs his first miracle while at the wedding in Cana. This is important because it communicates to us the Father’s intention. He intends, in a certain sense, to marry himself to his creation. He intends to bring us back into right relationship with him. As Isaiah prophesied, God would once again delight in his people, rejoicing in us as a bridegroom does his bride. Where once there was desolation, there would now be fruitfulness. From water would come the best wine.

Like the Jewish people who saw what seemed to be a hopeless situation, oftentimes we can see our circumstances from that same perspective. Our readings today, however, remind us that we have a God who delights in each one of us. We have a God who longs to marry us to himself so as to breathe his divine life into us to make us new and whole. Like Isaiah, let us never be silent. Rather, let us acknowledge God’s effort and action in our lives and *proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations*.

PASTOR - FR. LEON KLER

Deacon (Retired) - Bernie Ouellette
Deacon - Clarence Otteson
Secretary - Vivian Duhamel

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 12.00 PM (Noon) - 04.00 PM

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PARISH MINISTRIES

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Called to Protect	Ernie Murias	403.845.4860
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Knights of Columbus	Robert Schmidt	403.418.7089
Maintenance	Ernie Murias	403.845.4860
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Prayer Chain	Alice Murray	403.722.4056
Youth Group	Peter van Kampen	403.848.0955

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

See the parish website for details.

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

ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

ALL MASSES LIVE ON YOU TUBE

Saturday January 15, 2022 – 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
07.00 PM + Annie Gebbink
Sunday January 16, 2022 – 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
09.00 AM Blessings for the family of Rhonda Quintal Peel

Monday January 17, 2022 – St. Anthony; abbot
No Mass

Tuesday January 18, 2022 – Weekday in Ordinary Time
06.30 PM For approval of Kristina's permanent residence application

Wednesday January 19, 2022 – Weekday in Ordinary Time
09.00 AM + Piotr (Peter) Kler

Thursday January 20, 2022 – Weekday in Ordinary Time
09.00 AM For the intentions of Pearl Krzyworuszka

Friday January 21, 2022 – St. Agnes; virgin, martyr
09.00 AM + Marie Rose Parisien

09.30 AM – 12.00 PM → ADORATION

Saturday January 22, 2022 – 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
07.00 PM Blessings and grace for Micha & Nicole

Sunday January 23, 2022 – 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
09.00 AM Thanksgiving and blessings for Donna Noble, a wonderful teacher

EVERGREEN

NO LIVESTREAM ON YOU TUBE

Sunday January 16, 2022 – 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
11.00 AM For God's blessings for all members of our parish communities

Thursday January 20, 2022 – Weekday in Ordinary Time
11.00 AM For all souls in purgatory

Sunday January 23, 2022 – 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
11.00 AM For God's blessings for all members of our parish communities

CAROLINE

NO LIVESTREAM ON YOU TUBE

Sunday January 16, 2022 – 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
01.00 PM For parishioners at home & extended care who cannot attend Mass

Sunday January 23, 2022 – 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
01.00 PM + Richard Klein

PARTICIPATE AT HOME

ONLINE MASS

Livestreamed Masses continue for those who are unable to attend Mass in person, as well as those who feel uncomfortable wearing a mask in the church.

www.smprmh.ca/mass_online.htm

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

STEWARDSHIP

JANUARY 09, 2022

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!

SUNDAY COLLECTION: RMH - \$760.00 * Evergreen - \$330.00 * Caroline - \$65.00

MAINTENANCE FUND: RMH - \$170.00 * Evergreen - \$20.00 * Caroline - \$50.00

ONLINE + E-TRANSFERS: RMH - \$100.00 * Evergreen - \$00.00 * Caroline - \$00.00

NEW YEAR'S COLLECTION: RMH - \$100.00 * Evergreen - \$20.00 * Caroline - \$00.00

TOTAL: **\$1,615.00**

TOGETHER WE SERVE: RMH - \$50.00 * Evergreen - \$20.00 * Caroline - \$00.00