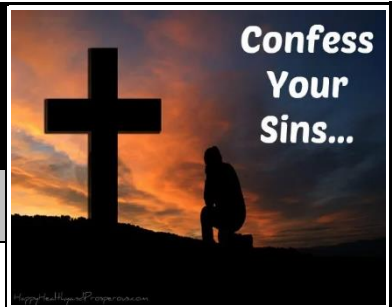


**March 27, 2022 – 04 Sunday in Season of Lent (C)**

**ST. MATTHEW PARISH & MISSIONS**  
 Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church  
 Caroline - St. Joseph the Workman Church  
 Evergreen - Jesuit Martyrs Church



**LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE**  
**ST. MATTHEW CHURCH – ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE**



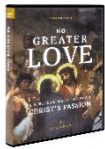
**THURSDAY – MARCH 31, 2022 7:00 PM**

Fr. Leon • Fr. Simmy (Lacombe) • Fr. Les (Rimby) • Fr. Liju (Innisfail)

**WHY DO I NEED TO ASK FOR FORGIVENESS, CAN'T GOD JUST FORGIVE ME?**  
 The Lord's mercy is inexhaustible, for those who seek forgiveness. God respects our freedom; we must freely ask for his pardon of our sins. "God who created you without you, will not save you without you", says St Augustine. Divine grace and human freedom work together for the salvation of our souls. God the Father "doesn't just leave the door open to us, but he awaits us", says Pope Francis. "He is engaged in waiting for his children". It is up to us to decide to enter the door of God's mercy.

**HOLY WEEK SERVICES IN OUR CHURCHES**

Apr. 09, 2022	Palm Sunday	07.00 PM	RMH	Palm Sunday Mass	
Apr. 10, 2022	Palm Sunday	09.00 AM 11.00 AM 01.00 PM	RMH Evergreen Caroline	Palm Sunday Mass Palm Sunday Mass Palm Sunday Mass	
Apr. 14, 2022	Holy Thursday	05.00 PM – 06.00 PM 06.00 PM – 06.30 PM 07.00 PM – 08.00 PM 08.00 PM – 09.00 PM	Evergreen Evergreen RMH RMH	Mass of the Last Supper Adoration Mass of the Last Supper Adoration	
Apr. 15, 2022	Good Friday	03.00 PM 03.00 PM 03.00 PM  07.00 PM 07.00 PM 07.00 PM	Caroline Evergreen RMH  Caroline Evergreen RMH	Service of Lord's Passion Service of Lord's Passion Service of Lord's Passion  Stations of the Cross Stations of the Cross Stations of the Cross	  
Apr. 16, 2022	Holy Saturday	11.00 AM 09.00 PM	RMH RMH	Blessing of Food Baskets Easter Vigil Ceremonies	
Apr. 17, 2022	Easter Sunday	09.00 AM 11.00 AM 01.00 PM	RMH Evergreen Caroline	Mass of the Resurrection Mass of the Resurrection Mass of the Resurrection	



## NO GREATER LOVE: A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH CHRIST'S PASSION

Sunday – Mar. 27, 2022 at 10.00 AM

SUNDAYS BIBLE STUDY

05 SESSIONS • For more information contact Morgan 403-895-3763 (phone/text)



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

Monday – Mar. 28, 2022 at 07.00 PM

MONDAYS BIBLE STUDY

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



## CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

MARCH 29, 2022 • 7.00 PM

**Special invitation to our parishioners to join Parish Charismatic Prayer Group.**

Parish Charismatic Prayer Group meets every Tuesday (except Adoration Tuesdays - First Tuesdays of the month) from 7.00 PM to 8.00 PM. Mass at 6.30 PM.

## CONFESSIONS IN EVERGREEN • THURSDAY - MARCH 31, 2022

2022-03-31 Thursday

Evergreen

12.00 PM - 01.00 PM

Fr. Leon only



## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - RMH

Friday – April 01, 2022 ♦ 09.30 AM - 12.00 PM (Adoration) ♦ Mass at 09.00 AM

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING SEASON OF LENT

EVERY THURSDAY

11.30 AM

EVERGREEN

NEXT: MARCH 31, 2022 – 11.30 AM

EVERY FRIDAY

07.00 PM

ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

NEXT: APRIL 01, 2022 – 07.00 PM

EVERY SUNDAY

12.30 PM

CAROLINE

NEXT: APRIL 03, 2022 – 12.30 PM

## DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE - CARITAS CANADA

### Standing up to corporate power in Honduras

The People and Planet First campaign is about helping communities stand up to corporate power. In Honduras, as in much of the Global South, corporations often threaten and criminalize activists who speak up against their abuses. • The Lenca Indigenous leader Víctor Vásquez was imprisoned for fighting the corporate takeover of his people's ancestral territory. Development and Peace's partner, the Honduran Centre for the Promotion of Community Development (CEHPRODEC), helped free him from jail. • Another partner, Caritas Choluteca, trains and accompanies community leaders in advocating for policies that respect human rights and the environment. Recently, they got mayoral election candidates to undertake to declare the municipality of Orocuina a mining-free zone if elected. • Read more about these people's victories in our Mini-magazine at [devp.org/len/resources](http://devp.org/len/resources).



**Special Collection for Development and Peace • Next Sunday - April 03, 2022**

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY – ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE



We can resume children's Liturgy again. If you are able to help with the children's liturgy, please contact Mona Cruickshank at 403-846-1027.



## HOLY HOUR ADORATION

APRIL 05, 2022 – 07.00 PM (Tuesday)

RMH

## SYNOD LISTENING SESSION

APRIL 06, 2022 – 07.00 PM (Wednesday)

RMH

## FOLLOW SPECIAL INDIGENOUS DELEGATION TO ROME

The delegation of First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples accompanied by Bishops from across Canada goes to the Vatican, traveling to a special meeting with the Holy Father from March 28 to April 01, 2022. Archbishop Smith will be in Rome accompanying the delegation. We will share details as this historic event unfolds in Rome.

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES – ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

Date and Time	Sacristan	Greeter(s) – Gifts	Proclaimer 1	Proclaimer 2	Projector
Mar. 26, 2022 at 07.00 PM	Audrey Kokesch	Orville & Adela Kittelson	Doraine Lonsdale	Karen Carmichael	Brianne Melvin
Mar. 27, 2022 at 09.00 AM	Jo-Anne Como		Morgan Duhamel		Linda Schmidt
Apr. 02, 2022 at 07.00 PM	Faye Boyle	Kent & Karen Carmichael	Rhonda Caluttung	Benedict Kirtzinger	Josiah Kirtzinger
Apr. 03, 2022 at 09.00 AM	Becky Marland	Scott & Linda Collinson	Gary Donald	Jim Marland	Amelie MacKenzie

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES – EVERGREEN

Date and Time	Proclaimer 1	Proclaimer 2	Gifts Bearers
Mar. 27, 2022 at 11.00 AM	Margie Miller	Roy Hoven	Procession with gifts is allowed
Apr. 03, 2022 at 11.00 AM	Simon Szymanek	Justin Graham	Procession with gifts is allowed



### INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE SUNDAY

*Joshua 5:9a, 10-12 \* 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 \* Luke 15:1-3, 11-32*

**We have been reconciled to the Father through the Son.** We can rejoice in today's theme of God's forgiveness and mercy. He led the Israelites to the Promised Land; he has *reconciled us to himself through Christ*; and he is always ready to forgive, awaiting us with open arms to come and rest in his love. ●●●● In the first reading, the Israelites celebrate Passover in Gilgal, feasting on *the produce of the land*. Saint Paul writes, *If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation, for God has reconciled us to himself through Christ*. In the Gospel, Jesus addresses a parable to the Pharisees and scribes. The parable is of a father and his two sons, the younger of whom squanders his inheritance but returns home to be welcomed by his father.

**Today we celebrate Laetare Sunday, the rose-colored Sunday of Lent. This word means "to rejoice" in Latin. We rejoice today because our Lenten sacrifices are nearing their fulfillment, and Easter glory is only three weeks away. In today's Scriptures, a people, an Apostle, and a prodigal son all find cause for rejoicing, and so should we. ● In the first reading, we are eyewitnesses to the end of the 40-year Exodus journey. They enter the land flowing with milk and honey. It is a land that will produce its bounty once more, allowing them to harvest their own food, while still relying on God who has fed them during every stage of their journey. Their homecoming is cause for rejoicing. ● Saint Paul rejoices with the Corinthians because of the great mercy of God shown to us in Jesus and the Church. Paul celebrates that Christ has reconciled us with God and one another, making us all a new creation. ● Jesus tells the story to them about a young man who, by all accounts, should be undeserving of any mercy or a second chance, but the merciful father shows him love and mercy anyway. The son loved his father's money more than he loved his dad. But when this money and all else failed to make him happy, he had no choice but to come home. He feared being refused, being turned away, never being forgiven. What he did not count on was how long his father had been looking for him, waiting for the day to welcome him home, and then *they began to celebrate*. ● As we prepare for Holy Week and Easter, let us rejoice in being reconciled – that the gift of mercy we receive from God will indeed be a gift we are given to share.**

**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

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Direct email address to office office@smprmh.ca  
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Baptism Preparation Class Steve/Donna Oscar 403.895.0373  
Bible Study Mondays Mara Gagne 403.845.0940  
Bible Study Sundays Morgan Duhamel 403.895.3763  
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Children's Liturgy Mona Cruickshank 403.846.1027  
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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 March 26, 2022 – 04 Sunday of Lent**  
01.00 PM Funeral Mass for Joseph Drevenak  
07.00 PM For the 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of Gordon & Sharon Hart  
**Sunday March 27, 2022 – 04 Sunday of Lent**  
09.00 AM For a special intention

**Monday March 28, 2022 – Weekday in Season of Lent**  
No Mass

**Tuesday March 29, 2022 – Weekday in Season of Lent**  
06.30 PM + Joe Kratzer

**Wednesday March 30, 2022 – Weekday in Season of Lent**  
09.00 AM + Milly McKenzie

**Thursday March 31, 2022 – Weekday in Season of Lent**  
09.00 AM + Eda Otteson

**Friday April 01, 2022 – Weekday in Season of Lent**  
09.00 AM Blessings for Deacon Bernie on his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday  
**09.30 AM – 12.00 PM → ADORATION**

**Saturday April 02, 2022 – 05 Sunday of Lent**  
07.00 PM + Nick Oshust

**Sunday April 03, 2022 – 05 Sunday of Lent**  
09.00 AM + Milly McKenzie

**EVERGREEN**

**NO LIVESTREAM ON YOU TUBE**

**Sunday March 27, 2022 – 04 Sunday of Lent**  
11.00 AM For God's blessings for all members of our parish communities

**Thursday March 31, 2022 – Weekday in Season of Lent**  
11.00 AM ♦♦♦♦♦♦♦♦ No intention requested

**Sunday April 03, 2022 – 05 Sunday of Lent**  
11.00 AM For God's blessings for all members of our parish communities

**CAROLINE**

**NO LIVESTREAM ON YOU TUBE**

**Sunday March 27, 2022 – 04 Sunday of Lent**  
01.00 PM Thanksgiving for the healing & recovery of Lou Aldrich

**Sunday April 03, 2022 – 05 Sunday of Lent**  
01.00 PM + Joe Kratzer

**ONLINEMASS | ONLINEMASS**

Livestreamed Masses continue for those who are unable to attend Mass in person, as well as those who feel uncomfortable attending Mass with wearing mask being not mandatory. [www.smprmh.ca/mass\\_online.htm](http://www.smprmh.ca/mass_online.htm)

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

**STEWARDSHIP**

**MARCH 20, 2022**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!**

**SUNDAY COLLECTION:** RMH - \$835.00 \* Evergreen - \$235.00 \* Caroline - \$35.00

**MAINTENANCE FUND:** RMH - \$175.00 \* Evergreen - \$00.00 \* Caroline - \$20.00

**ONLINE + E-TRANSFERS:** RMH - \$400.00 \* Evergreen - \$200.00 \* Caroline - \$00.00

**TOTAL:** **\$1,900.00**

**TOGETHER WE SERVE:** RMH - \$120.00 \* Evergreen - \$00.00 \* Caroline - \$00.00