

# St. Matthew Parish



Rocky Mountain House



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## ST. MATTHEW PARISH IN ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE AND MISSIONS IN EVERGREEN AND CAROLINE

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Parish \* Evergreen - Jesuit Martyrs Parish \* Caroline - St. Joseph the Workman Parish

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**November 13, 2022 – 33 Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)**

## ANNOUNCEMENT FROM KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - 45<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

Council # 6986. It is with pleasure that we announce the **45 YEAR ANNIVERSARY** of our local chapter since our council's installation. We are very grateful for the dedication and enthusiasm of all our present and past members. The actions and activities they have undertaken for nearly five decades has shaped our parish and community and exemplified our Order's principals of Charity, Unity Fraternity and Patriotism.

## ANNOUNCEMENT FROM CWL – MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2023

CWL membership fees for 2023 have increased to \$40 largely due to the increase in the National Fee. Given this increase, membership voted at the last meeting to increase our fees to cover expenses here is the breakdown for 2023. The national fee has changed from \$13 to \$25. The provincial fee is \$6. The Diocesan fee is \$4, bringing commitment fees to \$35; hence, the St. Matthew league is now \$40 leaving us \$5 to cover operating expenses. **Membership dues will be collected in the New Year with a deadline of January 23, 2023.** Early memberships are always welcome but are not due until January 01, 2023 for the calendar year 2023. Any questions please contact Karen Carmichael, 403-846-2168. Membership can be paid by e-transfer by using the email address: [cwlrocky@gmail.com](mailto:cwlrocky@gmail.com) or by cheque to the office made out to the CWL.



**CHAIR OF THE MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE IN ST. MATTHEW PARISH IN ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE.** We are looking for the person who will be the Head of the Maintenance Committee in our parish. The duties involve doing some small or bigger repairs and fixes if possible or to organize the work to be done by a volunteer from the parish or by the paid professional person. Please, contact the parish office if you would like to volunteer to that position. Thank you very much!



**DONATION ENVELOPES.** There have been many unused envelope packages left at the church. Some parishioners have switched to donating online and for that we are grateful. To help us save costs contact the office if you do not need weekly envelopes anymore. A new number will be assigned to you but no envelopes printed. There are always envelopes available at the back of church for occasional donations. You just write your name and address or the number assigned to you.

**\$7.00 per package**

## CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR SALE

Religious Christmas cards are available for purchase from the parish office during weekdays and will be at the back table in the church on weekends, beginning the weekend of November 5/6. Price - \$7 per package. Please, consider sending your Christmas cards depicting the birth of Jesus. Thank you for your support!



**\$5.00 each**

## CATHOLIC INSPIRATIONS CALENDARS

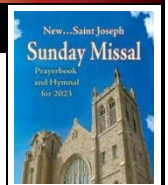
2023 Catholic Art Calendars are for sale on the back tables for \$5 each. There are so many different calendars out there. We invite you to purchase Catholic Calendar, where we have all the Liturgical Celebrations. Liturgical year gives meaning to just what we are suppose to do with our lives as we emulate Jesus Christ. It is His life and the Paschal Mystery that helps us to understand the reason for His incarnation.



**\$5.00 each**

## ST. JOSEPH MISSALS FOR 2023

Participate more fully in the Mass with St. Joseph Sunday Missal! This compact missal includes all the readings of the Mass for every Sunday of the year as well as prayers for personal devotion. It's an excellent resource for those seeking to participate fully in the Sunday Liturgy. Missal contains prayers, readings, and responses in a simple and continuous flow making it easy to use and understand for everyone. Missals are on display at the entrance of each church.



**No Bible Study on Sunday, November 13, 2022 at 10.30 AM**

(for more info contact Lisa 403-846-7137)



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD.** Spread The Good News of Jesus Christ by Packing A Shoebox For Children Around The World. Join the interdenominational Rocky Mountain House community effort to share the joy of Christmas and the story of salvation for each and every one of us. Collection Week Nov. 14–21/2022 at Living Branches Community Church. See the poster for details. Thank you for being a steward of God's love.

**Bible Study on Monday, November 14, 2022 at 07.00 PM**

(for more info contact Mara 403-845-0940)



The Little Caesar pizza kit fundraiser for St. Matthew School have had a delay in delivery. They are hoping the kits will arrive the week of November 14.

**Charismatic Prayer Group on Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at 07.00 PM**

Mass at 06.30 PM

**Youth Group Meeting on Thursday, Nov. 17, 2022 at 07.00 PM**

(for more info contact Peter 403-848-0955)



## **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - ST. MATTHEW**

**Friday – November 18, 2022 ♦ 09.30 AM - 12.00 PM (Adoration) ♦ Mass at 09.00 AM**

**FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAM ♦ RMH**

**NEXT SESSION – SUNDAY, NOV. 20, 2022 ♦ 1.30 PM**

**CALLED TO PROTECT WORKSHOP.** There will be “Called to Protect” training session on Monday, November 21, 2022 from 01.00 PM to 03.30 PM. The two and half-hour session is mandatory for all volunteers and employees of the Archdiocese. This is a virtual session by zoom. Please register using this link: <https://forms.gle/JowXs1ZwCkByKZKM8>

## **NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS**

**Wednesday, Nov. 23, 2022 - 07.00 PM ♦ Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church**

Please, register before November 16, 2022. • Call/Text office at 403-845-3457 or email, if you plan to attend.



## **MINISTRIES FAIR – RMH**

**NOVEMBER 26/27, 2022**

- Discover where God is calling you to share your stewardship of Talent, Time & Treasure
- Share what you love and see where your gifts might fit in our parish
- Learn more about the different ministries and service groups in our parish

On Weekend of Nov. 26/27 we will celebrate Stewardship Weekend in St. Matthew Parish. On this special weekend, we are invited to reflect on all God's blessings and make a decision as to what our gift will be in return for all God's gifts to us. Please visit our Ministries Fair to see how you can share your time and talent as a member of your parish community. Your active participation in our parish community is vital to the life of this local Church.



## **CENTRAL ALBERTA PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE**

**2022 DESSERT EVENING FUNDRAISER**

**Thursday - December 01, 2022**

You're invited to our Annual Dessert Evening Fundraiser at the Lou Soppit Community Centre on Thursday, December 01, 2022; doors open at **06.00 PM**, and the main event begins at **07.00 PM**. This year we celebrate Moments in Time, commemorating the pivotal moments that have led clients to make life-changing decisions to a new beginning. This **FREE event** will bring together our community for an evening of fellowship, connection, and touching life stories of people who have come to the CAPCC for support. See [pregnancycare.ca](http://pregnancycare.ca) website for free tickets to the Rocky Mountain House Gala.



## **PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD • BASKET OF REMEMBRANCE**

Month of November, especially All Souls Day, November 2, is a special time to remember in prayer all the faithful departed. Our prayers help them as theirs help us. We have on display in every church a Basket of Remembrance. If you wish to have your loved ones commemorated in our churches during all Masses in November, please **write down on piece of paper the name or names** (family members, parishioners, friends, neighbors) **and place them in the Basket of Remembrance**. We will pray for all faithful departed whose names are written in Basket of Remembrance during all Masses in November.

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES – ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

Date and Time	Sacristan	Greeter(s) – Gifts	Proclaimer 1	Proclaimer 2	Projector
Nov. 12, 2022 at 07.00 PM	Audrey Kokesch	Orville & Adela Kittelson	Bonnie Perreault	Karen Carmichael	Brianne Melvin
Nov. 13, 2022 at 09.00 AM	Linda Collinson	Morgan & Susanna Duhamel	Joanne Mazza	Doreen Quintal	Linda Schmidt
Nov. 19, 2022 at 07.00 PM	Linda Collinson	Loretta Leer	Rhonda Caluttung	Marliss Cartier	Jonah Caluttung
Nov. 20, 2022 at 09.00 AM	Becky Marland	Knights of Columbus and CWL will look after ministries on this day			Jo-Anne Como

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES – EVERGREEN

Date and Time	Proclaimer 1	Proclaimer 2	Gifts Bearers
Nov. 13, 2022 at 11.00 AM	Jim Backs	Justin Szymanek	Matt & Lori Andersen & family
Nov. 20, 2022 at 11.00 AM	Tim Hoven	Juanita Szymanek	Justin & Jenn Graham & family

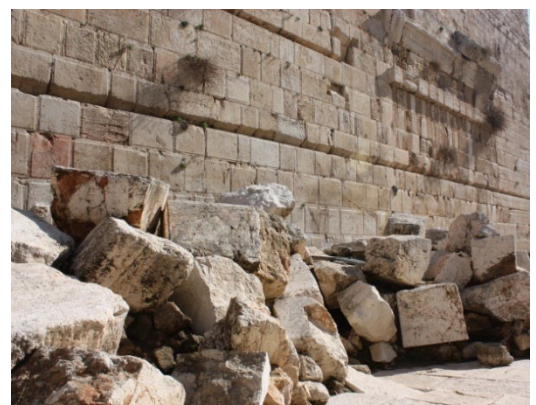
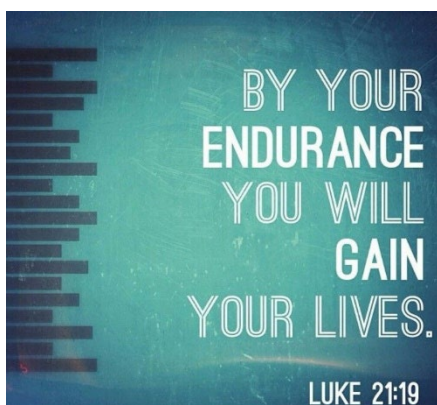
### INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE SUNDAY

*Malachi 3:19-20a \* 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 \* Luke 21:5-19*

**Let us be vigilant and prayerfully prepare for the return of Christ in glory.** Life is sometimes described as a journey with an ultimate destination. As we near the end of another liturgical year we are invited to reflect on the last things – death, judgment, heaven, and hell. But we do so not in fear but in hope, for while this earthly life might end, the promise of life eternal shines brightly in Christ. • Malachi prophesies how God’s power is like a consuming fire that will destroy all evil and wickedness. Paul writes to the Thessalonians, calling them to daily virtue. In the Gospel, Jesus challenges his followers to remain steadfast and faithful.

**As we near the end of another Church year, our readings seem to have a rather gloomy edge to them. Malachi uses the image of burning stubble to describe what would befall those who refuse to walk in the way of the Lord; Paul is somewhat on edge as he realizes that some of the Thessalonians are struggling and falling back into old habits. Even Jesus seems sorrowful as he speaks about the last days. • Luke was a great storyteller, and his Gospel was written for a mostly Gentile community of Christians who were suffering greatly under the persecution of the early Church. In addition, the loss of the temple in 70 A.D. struck at the very heart of their faith, especially for those of Jewish ethnicity. If the temple was gone, many asked, how could they be sure that God was still present among his people? Indeed, like many successive generations, they wondered where God was in the face of these struggles and persecution.**

**As Christians, we cannot allow the dark forces to have their way. The world needs the Gospel more than ever! It needs believers to witness to forgiveness and the pursuit of peace, the beauty of each and every life, the hope of new life in Christ. • Nor can we fall into the trap of thinking that we have no responsibility for others. On the contrary, we are reminded by the readings today to work hard for the benefit of the community, otherwise, we cannot expect to share in its bread. In our lives, we must let honesty, truthfulness, and fidelity mark our daily experience. Each day will have its troubles, but these can be overcome if we do as Christ did – show mercy, share our bread, seek peace, and welcome the stranger. • So yes, the Gospel is sobering, but no one passage of Scripture stands alone. Each passage must be read in the overall context of what Scripture seeks to share – the ultimate triumph of Christ. Our faith is in him, our identity is found in him, and our destiny has been secured by him.**





**PASTOR - FR. LEON KLER**

**Deacon (Retired) – Bernie Ouellette**  
**Deacon – Clarence Otteson**  
**Secretary – Vivian Duhamel**

**OFFICE HOURS**

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

**MINISTRIES • PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

**Altar Servers** Deacon Bernie Ouellette  
**Baptism Preparation Class** Steve and Donna Oscar  
**Bible Study Mondays** Mara Gagne  
**Bible Study Sundays** Lisa Feser  
**Called to Protect** Ernie Murias  
**Children's Liturgy** Mona Cruickshank  
**CWL** Bonnie Leaf  
**First Communion Class** Catherine van Kampen  
**Knights of Columbus** Robert Schmidt  
**Maintenance**  
**Ministry to the Sick** Ernie Murias  
**Music Ministry** Doreen Quintal  
**Parish Finance Council** Randall Sugden  
**Parish Pastoral Council** Lauren MacKenzie  
**Prayer Chain** Alice Murray  
**Together We Serve** Vivian Duhamel  
**Youth Group** Peter van Kampen

**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

**ALL REQUESTS FOR USE OF CHURCH FACILITIES MUST BE APPROVED BY PASTOR & BOOKED THROUGH THE OFFICE**

**BAPTISM OF CHILDREN**

Contact parish office if you want your child to be baptized in one of our churches. Preparation Class is mandatory. For more information check parish website or call our parish office.

**CONFESSIONS**

In Rocky Mountain House – every Saturday 6.15 PM - 6.45 PM & every Sunday 8.15 AM - 8.45 AM • In Evergreen & Caroline: after each Mass by request (no appointment needed).  
**In every church - anytime by appointment with the priest.**

**MARRIAGE**

If you want to celebrate Sacrament of Marriage in one of our churches contact parish office at least 9 months in advance. Preparation Course is mandatory. For more information check parish website or call our parish office.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

RMH - Fridays 9.30 AM - 12.00 PM (Noon). Mass 9.00 AM.  
RMH - Every First Tuesday 7.00 PM - 8.00 PM. Mass 6.30 PM.

**MASSES ONLINE**

Livestreamed Masses continue for those who are unable to attend Mass in person. [www.smpm.ca/mass\\_online.htm](http://www.smpm.ca/mass_online.htm). If you attend livestreamed Mass your image may be included in video on YouTube.

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

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE ALL MASSES LIVE ON YOU TUBE**

**Saturday** November 12, 2022 – 33 Sunday in Ordinary Time  
07.00 PM + Boyd Hallman  
**Sunday** November 13, 2022 – 33 Sunday in Ordinary Time  
09.00 AM + Robert Wilson

**Monday** November 14, 2022 – Weekday in Ordinary Time

No Mass

**Tuesday** November 15, 2022 – Weekday in Ordinary Time  
06.30 PM + Peter Mergens

**Wednesday** November 16, 2022 – Weekday in Ordinary Time  
09.00 AM For people with addictions & their victims  
11.00 AM Mass in Westview Lodge (Rocky Mountain House)

**Thursday** November 17, 2022 – St. Elizabeth of Hungary, religious  
09.00 AM God's blessings & healing for Joanne Jegou

**Friday** November 18, 2022 – Weekday in Ordinary Time  
09.00 AM For the intentions of Pearl Krzyworuczka

**09.30 AM – 12.00 PM → ADORATION**

11.00 AM Mass in Ravines at Park Avenue (Rocky Mountain House)

**Saturday** Nov. 19, 2022 – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe  
07.00 PM Blessings & healing for the Carmichael family

**Sunday** Nov. 20, 2022 – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe  
09.00 AM God's blessings & healing for Patricia Varalja

**EVERGREEN**

**NO LIVESTREAM ON YOU TUBE**

**Sunday** November 13, 2022 – 33 Sunday in Ordinary Time  
11.00 AM For God's blessings for all members of our parish communities

**Thursday** November 17, 2022 – St. Elizabeth of Hungary, religious  
11.00 AM + Chuck Szymanek

**Sunday** Nov. 20, 2022 – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe  
11.00 AM ●●●●●●●● No intention requested

**CAROLINE**

**NO LIVESTREAM ON YOU TUBE**

**Sunday** November 13, 2022 – 33 Sunday in Ordinary Time  
01.00 PM ●●●●●●●● No intention requested

**Sunday** Nov. 20, 2022 – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe  
01.00 PM For God's blessings for all members of our parish communities

**SILENT RETREAT • CRIMSON LAKE**

**Friday, Nov. 11, 2022 – Sunday, Nov. 13, 2022**

Nov. 11, 2022 – 08.00 PM Friday Weekday Mass  
Nov. 12, 2022 – 04.30 PM Saturday Sunday Mass  
Nov. 12, 2022 – 09.00 PM Saturday Adoration

**STEWARDSHIP**

**NOV. 06, 2022**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!**

<b>SUNDAY COLLECTION:</b>	RMH - \$673.00 * Evergreen - \$140.00 * Caroline - \$40.00
<b>MAINTENANCE FUND:</b>	RMH - \$70.00 * Evergreen - \$00.00 * Caroline - \$00.00
<b>ONLINE + E-TRANSFERS:</b>	RMH - \$200.00 * Evergreen - \$400.00 * Caroline - \$00.00
<b>T O T A L :</b>	<b>\$1,523.00</b>
<b>TOGETHER WE SERVE:</b>	RMH - \$310.00 * Evergreen - \$00.00 * Caroline - \$20.00
<b>FRIENDS OF JESUS:</b>	RMH - \$2.60