

September 09, 2018 – 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

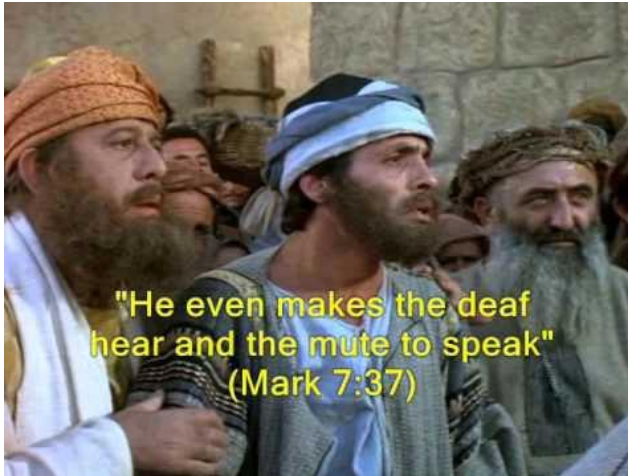
ST. MATTHEW PARISH AND MISSIONS
Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church
Caroline - St. Joseph the Workman Church
Evergreen - Jesuit Martyrs Church



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INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE SUNDAY

We are called to be open to God's Word penetrating our hearts today. It is never a good idea for someone to close themselves off from others. It is never a good idea to close our ears or to be silent to the plight of the most vulnerable among us. "Ephphatha! – that is – Be opened!". ♦ Isaiah tells the people to be strong and not be afraid, for great things are about to happen. In the second reading, we hear from Saint James to show no partiality toward those who enter our lives. In the Gospel, Jesus cures a man and then orders the crowd not to tell anyone.



"He even makes the deaf hear and the mute to speak" (Mark 7:37)



Jesus heals the deaf man

Be opened. Right to the heart of the matter – be opened! How is Jesus challenging us to be opened? To open our ears to the Gospel message rather than refusing to hear it; to open our lips to proclaiming the Gospel message rather than remaining silent. ■ We might be inclined to say the man in today's Gospel had an excuse, but do we? There is no excuse for us when it comes to hearing Jesus speak to us and sharing what he has to say with others. Coming here to church makes very little sense if we are coming with no intention of listening or repeating what we hear God say to us. ■ Is it possible we are being called today to clean out our ears and strengthen our voices when it comes to living our faith among others? Is it possible we are being invited today to review what we listen to and what words come forth from our mouths? Is it possible God is once again inviting us to healing? The answers are: yes, yes and yes.

PARISH GARAGE SALE

Friday - Sep. 14 ♦ 06.00 PM – 08.00 PM → Move items from garage to basement and display them on tables

ST. MATTHEW PARISH HALL - ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

Saturday - September 15, 2018 ♦ 09.00 AM - 03.00 PM

Saturday, September 15, 2018 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 16, 2018 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. 16 ♦ 01.00 PM – 3.00 PM → Clean up and pack up remaining items

Please bring items for Garage Sale to the office during office hours until Sep. 14, at 04.00 PM.



LITTLE FLOWERS CATHOLIC GIRLS' CLUB

Fundraiser – Saturday, Sep. 15 2018

Little Flowers will be selling coffee and baked goods during the Garage Sale as a fundraiser.

Thank you!



LITURGICAL MINISTRIES – ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

Date and Time	Greeters/Gifts Bearers	Proclaimer 1	Proclaimer 2	EMHC - Hosts	EMHC – C1	EMHC - C2
Sep. 08, 2018 at 07.00 PM	Laverne Froese	Doraine Lonsdale	Orville Kittelson	Ernie Murias	Leo Pelletier	Karen Carmichael
Sep. 09, 2018 at 09.00 AM	Dave & Bonnie Parfitt	Marliss Cartier	Dom Couve	Barry Kirtzinger	Joanne Como	Doreen Couture
Sep. 15, 2018 at 07.00 PM	Roxane Melvin	Nathalie Manuel	Leo Pelletier	Karen Carmichael	Laverne Froese	Roxane Melvin
Sep. 16, 2018 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. 09, 2018 at 11.00 AM	Justin Szymanek	Lori Hoven	The Perrson Family	Gerald and Margie Miller
Sep. 16, 2018 at 11.00 AM	Therese Hoven	Margie Miller	The Matt Andersens	Bill and Shirley Pollock



“CATHOLICISM” – by Bishop Richard Barron → Rocky Mountain House

Sunday Bible Study Group ♦ Sep. 09, 2018 → 10.30 AM - 12.30 PM • **Contact Lisa Sembaliuk 403-846-7137 (phone/text)**
Monday Bible Study Group ♦ Sep. 10, 2018 → 07.00 PM - 09.00 PM • **Contact Roxane Melvin 403-846-5405 (phone/text)**

THE CATHOLIC FAITH AS YOU'VE NEVER SEEN IT BEFORE.

For the first time, in breathtaking and high-definition cinematography, the truth, goodness, and beauty of Catholicism are illustrated in a multimedia experience. Journey with Bishop Robert Barron to more than 50 locations throughout 16 countries. Be illuminated by the spiritual and artistic treasures of this global culture that claims more than one billion of the earth's people. Learn what Catholics believe and why. Discover the full meaning of the faith.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Monday, September 10, 2018 - 02.30 PM

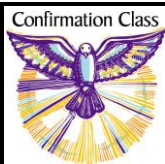
Anyone who is interested in the future of World Day of Prayer in Rocky Mountain House is invited to a meeting on Monday, September 10, 2018 at 2.30 PM at Holy Trinity Anglican Church (5015 49 Street). If you have any questions, feel free to contact Pastor Chris at 403-846-8699.



FIRST COMMUNION - ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Tuesday, Sep. 11, 2018 - 07.00 PM

All parents of children who will receive First Holy Communion in our parish in 2019 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.



CONFIRMATION - ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Thursday, Sep. 13, 2018 - 07.00 PM

Register now at the parish office for Confirmation in 2019. Classes will begin in mid September and will be weekly throughout the year. Normally candidates are from grades 7 and 8, but child aged 11 is considered old enough to receive this sacrament. If you have questions, please call Steve Oscar at 403-895-0373.

THIS WEEK

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

MY LORD AND MY GOD
John 20:28

Friday - September 14, 2018 ♦ 09.30 AM - 12.00 PM (Private Adoration) ♦ Mass at 09.00 AM



CWL TEA PARTY – ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

Sunday - September 16, 2018 → Following 9.00 AM Mass

Ladies, this is your chance to meet the other ladies within the parish. This is open to Members and those wishing to be members. This will not be a formal meeting, but we will discuss as we visit ideas for the CWL fundraiser (spuds n split or something different), and a possible ladies retreat. Bring your ideas and goodies to share at the tea.



R C I A - ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Tuesday, Sep. 18, 2018 - 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 will 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 11, 2018.** 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 18, 2018 at 7.00 PM.

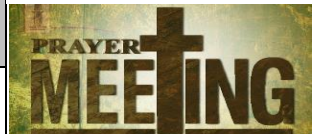


NEXT PRAYER MEETING

Wednesday – September 19, 2018 ♦ 7.00 PM

**St. Matthew Church
Rocky Mountain House**

- Loose Format: Praise/worship Songs, small group sharing on prayer life, etc
- Share prayer intentions, Chaplet of Divine Mercy. • **Feel free to invite others.**



CWL WOMENS' RETREAT – SYLVAN LAKE

Wed. – Sep. 19, 2018 → 9.00 AM - 3.30 PM

TOPIC: GAUDETE AT EXSULTATE (Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis)

“THE CALL TO HOLINESS IN TODAY’S WORLD”

Retreat Master is Fr. Jozef Wroblewski, Pastor of Holy Family Parish, St. Albert. COST: \$50.00 per person.

- AT: Sunnyside - Christian Retreat Centre ♦ 202 Birchcliff Road, Birchcliff, AB (Northshore of Sylvan Lake)
- HOSTED BY: Sylvan Lake CWL → 9.00 AM – 3.30 PM (Registration starting at 8.30 AM)
- **Cheques to be made out to: Our Lady of The Assumption CWL.**
- Contact Pauline Harriott to register at 403-746-2745 • **REGISTRATION DEADLINE – September 12, 2018.**



No one should be forced to flee their home.

This fall, Development and Peace will be joining Caritas Internationalis to “Share the Journey”. This Campaign is Pope Francis' invitation to all peoples to walk in the shoes of migrants and refugees. Please join us, **September 22 at Newman Theological College** (Edmonton, 10012 84 St NW) to learn about the root causes of forced migration and ways we can take action here in Canada. The **Annual General Meeting from 9:30-10:15 AM** will be followed by **Fall Action Workshop from 10:30-3:00 PM**. In a communication on July 27, Archbishop Smith indicated continued support for the educational initiatives of Development and Peace. There will be a *Soup and Sandwich Lunch by Donation*. Please RSVP to Sylvianne Perry 780 462-2529 | nsperry@telus.net



NEXT BEAUTIFUL BREAKFAST – ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

Sunday → After 9.00 AM Mass on September 23, 2018 ♦ St. Matthew Church - RMH

All parishioners are invited for Beautiful Breakfast following 9.00 AM Mass on Sunday, Sep. 23. See you all!

NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

Wednesday, September 26, 2018 - 07.00 PM ♦ Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church

Please, register before September 19, 2018. * Call/Text office at 403-845-3457 or email office, if you plan to attend.



SPAGHETTI DINNER

Friday – Sep. 28, 2018 → 5.30 PM

CWL, Knights of Columbus and Beautiful Breakfast Group are planning a Spaghetti Dinner for Friday, September 28, 2018 at 5.30 PM. The funds raised will go to the parish kitchen needs. Please mark your calendar. The tickets are \$15.00 per person for anyone over 12 years of age. Tickets go on sale September 16, 2018. We will be looking for silent auction items and collecting them in September.



ALL SAINTS PARTY

Wednesday - Oct. 31, 2018 ♦ 05.00 PM - 07.00 PM

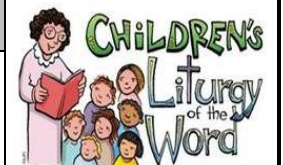


Dress up as your favourite Saint, play some games, enjoy a simple supper and more! PLEASE, REGISTER AT THE PARISH OFFICE AT 403-845-3457. For more information and to volunteer to help organize contact Lisa at 403-846-7137.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Volunteers needed!

Consider this ministry, please! The format follows the church year. The activity related to the liturgy will be sent home with the children. This is to facilitate parent/parents and children to engage in a discussion on the Liturgy for that Sunday. We would like to start Children's Liturgy as soon as possible. If you are interested in leading or helping, please contact Mona Cruickshank at 403.846.1027.



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.



ON VACATION



FR. KLER'S VACATION

September 25, 2018 – October 25, 2018

Fr. Leonard Gartner and Fr. Daniel Gurnick will celebrate Sunday Masses during Fr. Kler's absence!



Monday – Friday
12.00 PM (Noon) – 04.00 PM



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 email address to office	office@smpmhc.ca
Direct email address to pastor	pastor@smpmhc.ca

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
RCIA	Kristin McKenzie	403.845.0017
	Steve Oscar	403.895.0373
	Vivian Duhamel	403.845.9387
Children's Liturgy	Mona Cruickshank	403.845.2454
Youth Group	Peter van Kampen	403.848.0955
Prayer Chain	Alice Murray	403.722.4056
Knights of Columbus	Gary Donald	403.845.5269
CWL	Karen Carmichael	403.846.2168
Bible Study	Roxane Melvin	403.845.3127

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	10.00 AM - Jesuit Martyrs, Evergreen
	06.30 PM - St. Matthew Church, RMH
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	10.30 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



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday

07.00 PM
Intention:

September 08, 2018 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

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Sunday

09.00 AM

September 09, 2018 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

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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:

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Monday

September 10, 2018 - Weekday in Ordinary Time • No Mass

Tuesday

September 11, 2018 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

11.00 AM

Eckville - Eckville Manor → → → ♦♦♦♦ No intention requested

06.30 PM

RMH - St. Matthew Church → → ♦♦♦♦ No intention requested

Wednesday

September 12, 2018 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

08.00 AM

RMH - St. Dominic School Chapel → → → **Mass is cancelled!**

09.00 AM

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

Intention:

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11.00 AM

Rocky Mountain House - Westview Lodge

Intention:

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02.25 PM

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

School Mass for St. Dominic School - Opening of School Year

Intention:

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Thursday

September 13, 2018 - St. John Chrysostom; bishop, doctor

10.00 AM

Evergreen - Jesuit Martyrs Church

Intention:

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06.30 PM

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

Intention:

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Friday

September 14, 2018 - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

09.00 AM

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

Intention:

Healing & grace for Pat Gerry

09.30 AM - 01.00 PM → ADORATION → → → → → St. Matthew Church, RMH

10.30 AM

Rocky Mountain House - Clearwater Centre

Intention:

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Saturday

September 15, 2018 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

07.00 PM

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

Intention:

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Sunday

September 16, 2018 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

09.00 AM

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

Intention:

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11.00 AM

Evergreen - Jesuit Martyrs Church

Intention:

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01.00 PM

Caroline - St. Joseph the Workman Church

Intention:

For all members of our parish communities

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!



Sep. 02, 2018 ♦ REGULAR SUNDAY COLLECTION:

RMH - \$2,631.70 * Evergreen - \$240.00 * Caroline - \$210.25

Sep. 02, 2018 ♦ CHILDREN'S COLLECTION:

RMH - \$16.05 * Evergreen - \$6.50 * Caroline - \$2.00

Sep. 02, 2018 ♦ MAINTENANCE FUND: RMH - \$52.00

Sep. 02 ♦ TOGETHER WE SERVE: RMH - \$520.00 * Evergreen - \$80.00

CELEBRATIONS OF THE SACRAMENTS - BAPTISM

We warmly welcome into our Catholic Community

Joel Robert Cadrain

Son of Laurie Sinclair and Tyler Cadrain of St. Matthew Parish in Rocky Mountain House. His baptism will be celebrated in St. Matthew Church during Mass at 07.00 PM on Saturday, September 08, 2018.

