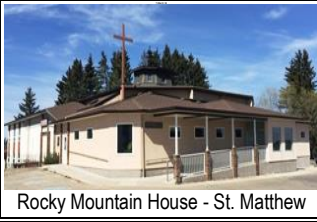


April 21, 2019 – EASTER SUNDAY (C)



Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew

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

*Acts 10:34a, 37-43 * Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8 * John 20:1-18 or 20:1-9*

The risen Christ seeks to transform and redeem our lives. The resurrection of the Lord is the highest of all feasts - the day in which we celebrate the truth that Jesus conquers and redeems every darkness of life, even death itself. Truly this is a day of rejoicing! For even when events are unclear to us - when we do not understand what we see before us, like those who saw the empty tomb – we can be confident in the words and promises of God. ♦ **In the first reading** Peter proclaims the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. **In Paul's Letter to the Colossians**, Saint Paul says if we've been raised with Christ we should seek the things of God; he reminds us that Jesus' resurrection transforms and redeems our whole lives. **In John's Gospel**, Mary Magdalene – upon arriving at the tomb and realizing that the stone had been rolled away - runs to Simon Peter and John to tell them that Jesus' body had been taken. They both go to the tomb, and while neither yet understands the Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead, John sees and believes.

He is Risen

DEATH COULD NOT HOLD HIM.
Rejoice in the resurrection of
Jesus Christ.

WISHING YOU A BLESSED AND JOY FILLED EASTER!

Happy Easter! Let us surrender our hearts and our wills to our loving God, who offers us new life on earth and in heaven. The good news we celebrate today is the fact that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead. In two thousand years, no scientific expedition has been able to discover the mortal remains of Jesus Christ. That is because his tomb is empty and there is no body to be found. The testimony of the eyewitnesses still stands. These witnesses went to their deaths proclaiming what we still proclaim: Jesus Christ is risen from the dead. Alleluia. ♦ Today is a day of glory and a day of hope for us all. God's purpose and God's will cannot be undone by human sin and rejection. In his body here on earth, Christ Jesus suffered terribly. He was mocked, spit upon, terribly scourged, crowned with thorns, crucified, died and was buried. Today we celebrate the glorious fact of his resurrection from the dead. ♦ We bear within us the hope that resurrection gives us. Our faith brings to us the truth that God has not abandoned us. God is bringing us into new life, and bringing new life to Christ's body, the Church. God our Father has given us power to enter into newer, better and happier lives no matter what the forces of darkness and evil have or will throw at us.

May Easter's glory be with each one of you! Have a Blessed Easter!

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES – ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

Date and Time	Greeters/Gifts Bearers	Proclaimer 1	Proclaimer 2	EMHC - Hosts	EMHC – C1	EMHC - C2
Apr. 20, 2019 at 09.00 PM Easter Vigil	RCIA candidates	Bonnie Perreault - 1 Reading Eleita Collinson - 5 Reading	Hope Perreault - 3 Reading Linda Collinson - Epistle	Ernie Murias	Garry Donald	
Apr. 21, 2019 at 09.00 AM	Carla Marks	Marliss Cartier	Jeannette Hobden	Laurier Nibert	Dave Parfitt	Leo Pelletier
Apr. 27, 2019 at 07.00 PM	Orville Kittelson	Nathalie Manuel	Bonnie Perreault	Ernie Murias	Joanne Como	Leo Pelletier
Apr. 28, 2019 at 09.00 AM	Carla Marks	Jeannette Hobden	Julie Layden	Bonnie Leaf	Jim Marland	Gary Donald

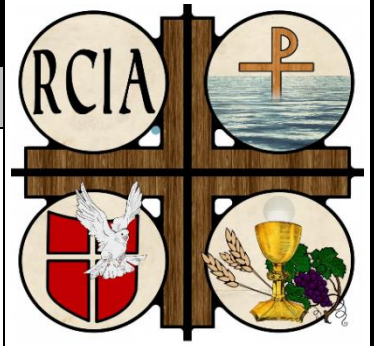
LITURGICAL MINISTRIES – EVERGREEN

Date and Time	Proclaimer 1	Proclaimer 2	Gifts Bearers	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Chalice
Apr. 21, 2019 at 11.00 AM	Jim Backs	Juanita Szymanek	The Fuengeling Family	Bill and Shirley Ann Pollock
Apr. 28, 2019 at 11.00 AM	Hal Phillips	Mike Szymanek	The Cadrain Family	Juanita Szymanek and Neal Persson

CELEBRATIONS OF THE SACRAMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS TO

- **JUSTIN GRAHAM** (Baptism, Confirmation, First Holy Communion)
- **SADIE OGILVIE** (Baptism, Confirmation, First Holy Communion)
- **MARVIN ANDERSEN** (Profession of Faith, Confirmation, First Holy Communion)
- **JULIA WHYBURD** (Profession of Faith, First Holy Communion)
- **OLIVIA SIEBEN** (Confirmation)
- **BRANDON TAYLOR** (Confirmation, First Holy Communion)



BAPTISM OF INFANTS

We warmly welcome into our Catholic Community

Christian Michael Andersen and Isabel Debby-Lynn Andersen

Son and daughter of Matthew and Lora-Leah Andersen of Jesuit Martyrs Parish in Evergreen.
Their baptisms will be celebrated in Jesuit Martyrs Church during Easter Mass at 11.00 AM on **Sunday, April 21, 2019.**



ST. MATTHEW PARISH - ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

**1954
APRIL 19
2019**

**Congratulations to
KEN & NITA JANIGO**
on the occasion of their
65th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - ST. MATTHEW CHURCH

Friday – April 26, 2019 ♦ 09.30 AM – 01.00 PM (Private Adoration) ♦ Mass at 09.00 AM



CWL SPRING BANQUET

Friday – April 26, 2019

Theme - “Care for Our Common Home”

GUEST SPEAKER – RHONDA CALUTTUNG

St. Matthew Parish Hall • Tickets - \$25.00 each

Catered by: Creative Cuisine Catering

Mass – 5.00 PM • Doors open – 5.30 PM • Dinner – 6.00 PM

Tickets are now on sale following all Weekend Masses



Annual
**Spring
Banquet**



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF CANADA

ELECTION - APRIL 26, 2019

Karen Carmichael, CWL President, announced at the last meeting call for nominations for members of Executive and the election date of April 26, 2019. Vivian Duhamel and Doreen Quintal will accept nominations and communicate with nominees to confirm they accept the nomination. The Election (voting) will be held on April 26 at Spring Banquet. The new executive will be announced and introduced at the end of evening of April 26.



NEXT BEAUTIFUL BREAKFAST → ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE – ST. MATTHEW

Next Sunday → After 9.00 AM Mass on April 28, 2019 ♦ Hope to see you all!

Thank you very much to Morgan Duhamel who is in charge of organizing Beautiful Breakfast and to all volunteers!

Next Sunday we celebrate **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**



The Feast of the Divine Mercy or Divine Mercy Sunday falls on the Octave of Easter (Sunday immediately following Easter). It is dedicated to the devotion to the Divine Mercy promoted by St. Faustina, and is based upon an entry in St. Faustina's diary stating that anyone who participates in the Mass and receives the sacraments of confession and Eucharist on this day is assured by Jesus of full remission of sins.

According to the notebooks of St. Faustina, Jesus made the following statements about this day:

"On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity."

(Diary of Saint Faustina, 699)

The devotion was celebrated unofficially in many places for some years. On April 30, 2000 (Divine Mercy Sunday of that year), Pope John Paul II canonized St. Faustina and designated the Sunday after Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday in the General Roman Calendar, with effect from the following year. He also decreed a plenary indulgence associated with this devotion. Pope John Paul II said he felt a closeness to St. Faustina when he was writing "Dives in misericordia". He died during the vigil of the Divine Mercy Sunday in 2005.

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

APRIL 28, 2019 - 2.45 PM ♦ ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE – ST. MATTHEW CHURCH

Our parish invites all parishioners to special Celebration of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy on Divine Mercy Sunday - April 28, 2019 at 2.45 PM in St. Matthew Church in Rocky Mountain House. The Service will be between 45 and 60 minutes. Coffee will be offered after Service. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**



CONFIRMATION PROGRAM ♦ RMH

Next lesson - Tuesday, April 30, 2019

7.00 PM - 8.00 PM



First Reconciliation & First Communion

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS – CONFESSIONS

Tuesday – April 30, 2019 → 04.00 PM - 08.00 PM

St. Matthew Church - Rocky Mountain House

Review of lessons from Blessed program, games/activities, supper in the backyard.
Mass at 6.30 PM • First Confessions from 7.00 PM to 8.00 PM

EASTER MESSAGE TO CANADIAN CATHOLICS

In his Easter message to Canadian Catholics, Bishop Lionel Gendron of Saint-Jean-Longueuil, president of the CCCB, likens the darkness of the sexual abuse crisis to the darkness of the tomb of Jesus before the Resurrection. "We are called to humbly place our trust in God's promise that evil, sin and death will not have the last word on the human experience," says Bishop Gendron. • "As men and women of faith, who hold on to the promises of eternal life, our excruciating pain, suffering and confusion can give way to tremendous joy. From the reality of sin and evil, we are introduced into goodness and grace, holiness and life. • "With Easter the darkness of the tomb is transformed by the light of the Resurrection. The Pascal Mystery is clearly present in many ways today: the suffering of death and the joy of life; the passage of Christ from the tomb to eternity and the passage from pain of child abuse to the experience of healing."



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

Thursday, April 25, 2019 – 7.00 PM

All Knights are invited!



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

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Knights of Columbus	Gary Donald	403.845.5269
CWL	Karen Carmichael	403.846.2168
Bible Study Sundays		
Bible Study Mondays	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	09.00 AM - St. Matthew Church, RMH 10.30 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

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

09.00 PM

Intention:

Sunday

09.00 AM

Intention:

11.00 AM

Intention:

01.00 PM

Intention:

April 20, 2019 – Holy Saturday

Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church → → → **TIME CHANGE**

++ Marek Murias and Oaklen Murias

April 21, 2019 – The Resurrection of the Lord

Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church

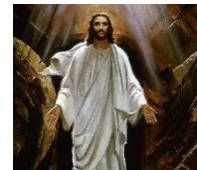
Thanksgiving from the Torres family

Evergreen – Jesuit Martyrs Church

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Caroline – St. Joseph the Workman Church

For all members of our parish communities



Monday

April 22, 2019 – Weekday in Easter Octave

No Mass

Tuesday

06.30 PM

Intention:

April 23, 2019 – Weekday in Easter Octave

Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church

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Wednesday

09.00 AM

Intention:

April 24, 2019 – Weekday in Easter Octave

Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church

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Thursday

09.00 AM

Intention:

April 25, 2019 – Weekday in Easter Octave

Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church

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10.30 AM

Intention:

Evergreen – Jesuit Martyrs Church

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Friday

09.00 AM

Intention:

April 26, 2019 – Weekday in Easter Octave

Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church

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

05.00 PM

Intention:

Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church

CWL Mass

Saturday

07.00 PM

Intention:

April 27, 2019 – 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church

+ Joe Heidinger

Sunday

09.00 AM

Intention:

April 28, 2019 – 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church

++ Darren Owchar and Derrick Owchar

Evergreen – Jesuit Martyrs Church

For all members of our parish communities

Caroline – St. Joseph the Workman Church

♦♦♦♦♦♦♦♦♦♦ No intention requested

Intention:

APR. 14, 2019

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!



REGULAR SUNDAY COLLECTION:

RMH - \$1,868.45 * Evergreen - \$563.00 * Caroline - \$152.00

CHILDREN'S COLLECTION:

RMH - \$14.35 * Evergreen - \$3.85 * Caroline - \$5.00

MAINTENANCE FUND: RMH - \$95.00

TOGETHER WE SERVE: RMH - \$10.00 * Evergreen - \$100.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONLINE DONATIONS!

APR. 15, 2019

REGULAR SUNDAY COLLECTION:

RMH - \$3,350.00 * Evergreen - \$675.00 * Caroline - \$1,090.00

COMPASSIONATE FUND: Evergreen - \$200.00

TOGETHER WE SERVE: RMH - \$140.00

MAINTENANCE FUND: RMH - \$50.00



OFFICE CLOSED

OFFICE CLOSED ON EASTER MONDAY

Apr. 22, 2019 - Easter Monday • Office Closed

HAVE A BLESSED EASTER!