

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew

May 12, 2019 – 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER) (C)

**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



Bulletin QR Code

**INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE SUNDAY**

*Acts 13:14, 43-52 \* Revelation 7:9, 14b-17 \* John 10:27-30*

**Jesus, our Good Shepherd, grasps us by the hand.** Good Shepherd Sunday is celebrated around the world on the Fourth Sunday of Easter. Jesus knows each one of us and we know his voice. To follow him is to know eternal life. ♦ As **Paul and Barnabas** continue their travels, they encounter more Gentiles who are receptive to their message. **In John's vision**, a great multitude from every corner of the earth is seen gathering together. **In the Gospel**, Jesus speaks of his sheep knowing his voice and following after him.



**PRAYER IN GRATITUDE FOR OUR MOTHERS**



You've seen me laugh,  
You've seen me cry,  
And always you were  
there with me.  
I may not have always  
said it. But thanks  
and I love you.  
Happy Mother's Day!

**Good and Gentle God,**

**we pray in gratitude for our mothers and for all the women who have joined with you in the wonder of bringing forth new life. You who became human through a woman, grant to all mothers the courage they need to face the uncertain future that life with children always brings. Give them the strength to love and to be loved in return, not perfectly, but humanly. Give them the faithful support of husband, family and friends as they care for the physical and spiritual growth of their children. Give them joy and delight in their children to sustain them through the trials of motherhood. Most of all, give them the wisdom to turn to you for help when they need it most.**

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES – ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

Date and Time	Greeters/Gifts Bearers	Proclaimer 1	Proclaimer 2	EMHC - Hosts	EMHC – C1	EMHC - C2
May 11, 2019 at 07.00 PM	Roxane Melvin	Doraine Lonsdale	Karen Carmichael	Ernie Murias	Leo Pelletier	Laverne Froese
May 12, 2019 at 09.00 AM	Bill Fletcher	Josiah Kirtzinger	Dom Couve	Jim Marland	Dave Parfitt	Barry Kirtzinger
May 18, 2019 at 07.00 PM	Tracy Vanderaa	Laurier Nobert	Orville Kittelson	Leo Pelletier	Laverne Froese	Karen Carmichael
May 19, 2019 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
May 12, 2019 at 11.00 AM	Aidan Hoven	Justin Szymanek	Hal and Laurie Phillips	Roy and Eileen Hoven
May 19, 2019 at 11.00 AM	Therese Hoven	Barron Reichert	The Persson Family	Jim Backs and Aiden Hoven

### RCIA CLASS ♦ IN EVERGREEN

Sunday – May 12, 2019 ♦ 07.00 PM – 09.00 PM



### CONFIRMATION PROGRAM ♦ RMH

Next lesson - Tuesday, May 14, 2019

7.00 PM - 8.00 PM

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

Thursday, May 16, 2019 – 7.00 PM

All Knights are invited!



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

Friday – May 17, 2019 ♦ 09.30 AM – 01.00 PM (Private Adoration) ♦ No Mass at 09.00 AM



### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday – May 28, 2019 at 07.00 PM

St. Matthew Church - Rocky Mountain House



### CONFIRMATION MASS WITH ARCHBISHOP RICHARD SMITH

Sunday - June 02, 2019 at 04.00 PM

St. Matthew Church - Rocky Mountain House



### NEXT CWL MEETING

Sunday – June 09, 2019

After 9.00 AM Mass

### CORPUS CHRISTI ♦ SUNDAY - JUNE 23, 2019

### CHANGE OF MASS TIMES

Jun. 22, 2019	Sat.	05.00 PM	Mass in Caroline	Change
Jun. 22, 2019	Sat.	07.00 PM	Mass in Rocky Mountain House	
Jun. 23, 2019	Sun.	09.00 AM	Mass in Evergreen	Change
Jun. 23, 2019	Sun.	11.00 AM	Mass - Procession - BBQ in Rocky Mountain House	Change



The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Parish Barbeque on Sunday, June 23, 2019 following the Corpus Christi procession. We hope to see all parishioners and their families in attendance. There is no charge for the barbeque however we will be accepting non-perishable food items for the local foodbank! Please plan to attend and meet other members of our wonderful parish family.

ON VACATION



### FR. KLER'S VACATION

July 22, 2019 - August 22, 2019



### BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

We invite our parishioners to participate in Baby Bottle Campaign for the Central Alberta Pregnancy Care Centre. We will provide our parishioners with baby bottles for coins, and envelopes for cash or cheques. These items are handed out on Mother's Day and are collected until Father's Day in June. For more information watch video: <http://www.pregnancycare.ca/video/>.



### CHURCH THEFTS IN EVERGREEN AND CAROLINE

On April 28, 2019 Jesuit Martyrs Church in Evergreen was broken into and numerous items were stolen. Week later, on May 05, 2019 St. Joseph the Workman Church in Caroline was broken into and few items were stolen.



### CHALICE CHARITY CHALLENGE

All parishioners who signed up to sponsor a child in the Dada Maisha Orphanage School in Morogoro, Tanzania will be contacted shortly in regards to payment. Thank you very much for your sponsorship!

# LIFE IS FRAGILE - HANDLE WITH PRAYER

## PRAYER BOARDS IN OUR CHURCHES



St. Matthew Church – Rocky Mountain House

Jesuit Martyrs Church – Evergreen

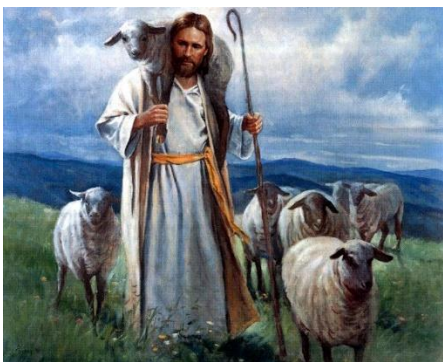
St. Joseph the Workman Church – Caroline

Prayer Boards were placed in all our churches. We invite all parishioners to use them by placing their prayer requests on the boards so everyone can pray for these intentions. Today in all our bulletins you will find brochure explaining the idea of Prayer Boards. **Please, date your prayer petitions.** You can add prayer requests in person on boards or by recording the voice message or text or fax them to special number: **1.403.407.1932** or by emailing to [prayerchain@smpmh.ca](mailto:prayerchain@smpmh.ca).

→ **Thank you very much to Alice Murray for organizing Prayer Chain in all our churches.** ←

→ **Very special Thank You to David Parfitt who made all Prayer Boards.** ←

Our parish invites all our parishioners to join Prayer Chain ministry. The idea is that you commit yourself to praying every day or as often as you can for all the intentions placed on our Prayer Boards. Let us pray for each other. Please, call office or email office if you would like to become a member of Prayer Chain ministry. More details in the brochure. God bless!



**Most people are aware that sheep are not the brightest of God's four legged creatures. When left to their own devices, they wander off and risk being lost or injured. But we must not resent Jesus for referring to us as sheep! Let's face it, when left to our own devices we, too, can wander off and risk becoming lost. We need Jesus, the Good Shepherd, in our lives. • The Fourth Sunday of Easter is often referred to as Good Shepherd Sunday. No matter which liturgical cycle we are in, the Gospel will always be about Jesus, the Good Shepherd. So great is our Good Shepherd that he knows each of us by name and gives us eternal life. • Jesus states that no one can take a sheep from his hand or from the Father's hand because he and the Father are one. Some choose to interpret this as a "get out of jail free" card. In other words, we can choose to do what we want and it's okay because we are, after all, in Jesus' hand. • The truth is that no external force, no other person or entity, can take us out of Jesus' hand or the Father's hand. But we are certainly capable of letting go of Jesus' hand, the Father's hand. As tightly as Jesus grasps our hand out of love, we can break the grasp and choose to run away – risking the very real chance that we can become lost. • By the grace of God, however, we have Jesus the Good Shepherd grasping our hand, bringing us back time and time again – forgiving us, making us new and re-gifting us with salvation. Wander as we do, as lost as we might become, Jesus has promised us he will leave the ninety-nine and come and find us. • The reality of our faith and our free will is such that we must allow ourselves to be found. God will never force himself upon us any more than the evil one can force himself upon us. It is always up to us to choose good over evil, light over darkness, and life over death. We may not be smart sheep, but we are wise disciples. Wise enough to know that embracing Jesus and his ways and his truth bring us to the eternal life we strive for.**

## PASTOR - FR. LEON KLER

Deacon (Ret.) - Bernie Ouellette  
Secretary - Vivian Duhamel

### ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

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#### 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

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### 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
Baptism Preparation Class	Steve/Donna Oscar	403.895.0373
First Communion Class	Shayna Pritchard	403.845.2393
Confirmation Class	Steve Oscar	403.895.0373
Children's Liturgy	Mona Cruickshank	403.846.1027
Youth Group	Peter van Kampen	403.848.0955
Prayer Chain	Alice Murray	403.722.4056
Knights of Columbus	Gary Donald	403.845.5269
CWL	Joyce Donald	403.895.4156
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](http://WWW.SMPRMH.CA)**



# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Saturday** May 11, 2019 - 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday)  
07.00 PM Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church  
Intention: + Sylvia Olineck

**Sunday** May 12, 2019 - 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday)  
09.00 AM Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church  
Intention: + Chloe Kaniusis  
11.00 AM Evergreen - Jesuit Martyrs Church  
Intention: + Maxine Nugent  
01.00 PM Caroline - St. Joseph the Workman Church  
Intention: For all members of our parish communities

**Monday** May 13, 2019 - Weekday in Easter Season  
No Mass Assembly of Priests in Jasper

**Tuesday** May 14, 2019 - St. Matthias; Apostle  
No Mass Assembly of Priests in Jasper

**Wednesday** May 15, 2019 - Weekday in Easter Season  
No Mass Assembly of Priests in Jasper

**Thursday** May 16, 2019 - Weekday in Easter Season  
No Mass Assembly of Priests in Jasper

**Friday** May 17, 2019 - Weekday in Easter Season  
No Mass Assembly of Priests in Jasper

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

**Saturday** May 18, 2019 - 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  
07.00 PM Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church  
Intention: + Jack Kramer

**Sunday** May 19, 2019 - 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  
09.00 AM Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church  
Intention: + Mary Bouchard  
11.00 AM Evergreen - Jesuit Martyrs Church  
Intention: + Maxine Nugent  
01.00 PM Caroline - St. Joseph the Workman Church  
Intention: For all members of our parish communities

### MAY 05, 2019 THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!

**SUNDAY REG. COLLECTION:** RMH - \$2,756.15 \* Evergreen - \$715.00 \* Caroline - \$100.00

**CHILDREN'S COLLECTION:** RMH - \$15.65 \* Evergreen - \$11.05 \* Caroline - \$00.00

**MAINTENANCE FUND:** RMH - \$45.00 \* Evergreen - \$120.00 \* Caroline - \$00.00

**TOGETHER WE SERVE:** RMH - \$600.00 \* Evergreen - \$115.00 \* Caroline - \$00.00

### MASS INTENTIONS

An individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. One must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit ones soul. When a priest offers Holy Mass, he has three intentions: First, to offer the Mass reverently and validly in accord with the norms of the Church. Second, to offer the Mass in union with the whole Church and for the good of the whole Church. Third, to offer the Mass for a particular intention, such as the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

The general fruits of the Mass are the effects upon the whole Church to the living faithful as well as the poor souls in purgatory. For this reason, in the Canon of the Mass (the Eucharistic Prayer), a special mention is made for both the living and the dead.

### Assembly of Priests in Jasper (May 13 - 17, 2019)

From Monday (May 13, 2019) to Friday (May 17, 2019) all the priests of the Archdiocese of Edmonton will meet in Jasper with Archbishop Richard Smith. Fr. Kler will also attend this meeting of priests with their bishop.

