

September 29, 2019 – 26<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

**ST. MATTHEW PARISH AND MISSIONS**

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church  
Caroline - St. Joseph the Workman Church  
Evergreen - Jesuit Martyrs Church



Bulletin QR Code

**INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE SUNDAY**

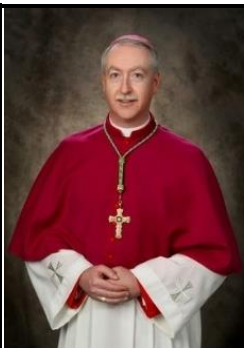
*Amos 6:1a, 4-7 \* 1 Timothy 6:11-16 \* Luke 16:19-31*

**Lay hold of eternal life by keeping the commandments, and pursuing noble goods.** The readings today are a challenge for all believers to consider the eternal consequences of our actions. God, in his infinite love, both calls us to himself and gives us the freedom to accept or reject his invitation. We can allow comfort to make us complacent, or we can pursue noble goods and be persuaded by the One who was raised from the dead. ♦ **In the first reading from Amos**, we hear a warning about comfort and wanton revelry leading to complacency, resulting in exile. **Saint Paul writes to Timothy**, instructing him to lay hold of eternal life by keeping the commandments and pursuing the goods such as love, righteousness and faith. **In the Gospel**, Jesus tells the parable of the rich man and Lazarus, who both receive what is just in eternal life.

It is a scene that is repeated far too often in far too many places. Usually it occurs near a major intersection or at the end of a freeway off-ramp: an individual, dressed in worn clothing, holding a sign written on cardboard. Sometimes the signs indicate that the person is out of work. Other times, the signs may indicate that they are homeless. Some of the individuals look like they may be veterans down on their luck, but all of them look like they are in need. Dozens of vehicles stream by; few, if any of them, stop for a moment, roll down a window, and hand a few bills or some change to the person in need. Unfortunately, many of us may be one of those drivers who keeps eyes focused straight ahead, doing everything we can to not make eye contact with the person in need. Apparently, we think that if we somehow don't see or notice the individual, we don't have to respond to their need. ♦ Jesus' parable in today's Gospel challenges us in a very fundamental way. The problem with the rich man is not so much that he did something wrong. The problem is that he did nothing at all. One can imagine the rich man walking out his front gate each day, carefully stepping over Lazarus, intently trying not to notice his need, and trying to avoid doing anything to alleviate his suffering. All it would have taken was a little food, a little bit of human kindness, some clean clothing, a decent coat and a warm hat. Very practical things and perhaps things that the rich man had in abundance and could easily have shared with someone in need – but he didn't. ♦ When someone is in need, we may not be able to solve all their problems, but we can often do little things with great care to ease their sadness and suffering. We are dependent upon one another, and we are dependent upon God. We are all needy people. We need God's love. We need God's forgiveness. We need our Savior, who freely offers himself to save us and bring us to eternal life.



**VISIT OF ARCHBISHOP SMITH IS CANCELLED!**



**CHANGE OF MASS TIMES THIS WEEKEND REMAINS IN PLACE:**

- Saturday - Sep. 28: ♦ 05.00 PM - Mass in Caroline (with Fr. Kler)
  - ♦ 07.00 PM - Mass in Rocky Mountain House (with Fr. Kler)
- Sunday - Sep. 29: ♦ 09.00 AM - Mass in Evergreen with Fr. Kler
  - ♦ 11.00 AM - Mass in Rocky Mountain House with Fr. Kler

After Mass at 11.00 AM in Rocky Mountain House there will be Beautiful Breakfast.  
After breakfast there will be no meeting of Parish Pastoral Council.



**BEAUTIFUL BREAKFAST – ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE**

After 11.00 AM Mass with Fr. Kler on Sep. 29, 2019 ♦ St. Matthew Church


All parishioners are invited for Beautiful Breakfast following 11.00 AM Mass on Sunday, Sep. 29. See you all!


## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES – ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

Date and Time	Greeters/Gifts Bearers	Proclaimer 1	Proclaimer 2	EMHC - Hosts	EMHC – C1	EMHC - C2
Sep. 28, 2019 at 07:00 PM	Jackie Owchar	Orville Kittelson	Nathalie Manuel	Karen Carmichael	Ernie Murias	Jo-Anne Como
Sep. 29, 2019 at 11:00 AM	Roxane Melvin	Julie Layden	Eleita Collinson	Becky Marland	Doreen Couture	Jim Marland
Oct. 05, 2019 at 07:00 PM	Andy and Valerie Schulte	Bonnie Perreault	Leo Pelletier	Laurier Nobert	Dorraine Lonsdale	Karen Carmichael
Oct. 06, 2019 at 09:00 AM	Joanne Mazza	Bonnie Leaf	Steve Oscar	Pat Hughes	Barry Kirtzinger	Becky Marland


## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES – EVERGREEN


Date and Time	Proclaimer 1	Proclaimer 2	Gifts Bearers	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Chalice
Sep. 29, 2019 at 09:00 AM	Roy Hoven	Barron Reichert	The Cadrain Family	Dennis and Brenda Nugent
Oct. 06, 2019 at 11:00 AM	Jim Backs	Tim Hoven	The Conway Family	Eileen and Roy Hoven

	<b>Lectio: Mark - "FAITH NOT FEAR" • RMH</b>	<b>SUNDAYS BIBLE STUDY</b>
<p><b>Sunday, Sep. 29, 2019 * 09.15 AM - 10.30 AM • Next: Sunday, Oct. 06, 2019 * After 09.00 AM Mass</b>                  After Mass (30 min. video + 45 min. discussion) • For more information: Contact Lisa Sembaliuk 403-846-7137 (phone/text)</p>		

<b>BIBLE STUDY IN EVERGREEN – October 06, 2019</b>	<b>WISDOM – God's Vision For Life</b>	
<p>Join us for Bible Study: WISDOM – God's vision for life ♦ "Wisdom is seeing with God's eyes." – Pope Francis  <b>SUNDAYS at 10.00 AM (before 11.00 AM Mass) • 30 min. video plus discussion • EVERYONE WELCOME!</b></p>		

	<b>MATTHEW: THE KING AND HIS KINGDOM - RMH</b>	<b>MONDAYS BIBLE STUDY</b>
<p><b>Starting on Monday - September 30, 2019 at 07.00 PM</b></p> <p>Participants will meet every week to view video presentation followed by a time of group discussion and fellowship.  <b>24 SESSIONS • More information: Contact Mara Gagne 403-845-0940 (phone/text)</b></p>		


	<b>HOLY HOUR ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - ST. MATTHEW</b>	
<p><b>Tuesday - October 01, 2019 ♦ 07.00 PM - 08.00 PM ♦ Mass at 06.30 PM</b></p> <p>Take a moment during your busy days to remove yourself once a month from that business of today's life and come and spend some quality time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Prayer and meditation before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament are great ways to spend some special time with Jesus.</p>		

	<b>YOUTH GROUP</b>	<b>ST. MATTHEW CHURCH - RMH</b>	<b>October 03, 2019</b>
<p>St. Matthew's Youth Ministry Program will run most Thursdays from Oct. 03 to Dec. 12, 2019. Every Thursday we meet to play large scale games, have a teaching about our faith, pray, and we perform a skit about a saint. Youth Group is for kids in grades 6-8 and is put on by kids in grades 9-12. Program runs from 07.00 PM to 09.00 PM. Everyone is welcome. • For info contact Peter at <a href="mailto:vankampen.peter@gmail.com">vankampen.peter@gmail.com</a> or call/text 403-848-0955.</p>			

<b>THIS WEEK</b>	<b>ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT</b>	
<p><b>Friday – October 04, 2019 ♦ 09.30 AM - 12.00 PM (Private Adoration) ♦ Mass at 09.00 AM</b></p>		

	<b>FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAM ♦ RMH</b>	<b>FIRST CLASS – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 06, 2019</b>
<p><b>ALL LESSONS START AT 1.30 PM AND END AT 4.30 PM • DATES OF LESSONS (ALL ON SUNDAYS):</b>                  Oct. 06, 2019 - Nov. 10, 2019 - Dec. 01, 2019 - Jan. 12, 2020 - Feb. 09, 2020 - Mar. 08, 2020 - Apr. 19, 2020 - May 10, 2020</p>		

<b>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING</b>	<b>Tuesday, October 15, 2019 – 7.00 PM</b>	<b>All Knights are invited!</b>	
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<b>SEARCH RETREAT ♦ ST. DOMINIC HIGH SCHOOL</b>	<b>October 18 - 20, 2019</b>	
<p>SEARCH is coming back to Rocky, Oct. 18-20, 2019! SEARCH is a retreat for kids in grades 10-12, hosted each year at St. Dominic High School. It is a powerful weekend, attracting kids from all over the Archdiocese, to pray and learn about their faith. Help is needed! If any individuals or groups in the parish would be willing to provide one of the meals for the weekend, please contact Peter at <a href="mailto:vankampen.peter@gmail.com">vankampen.peter@gmail.com</a> or call 403-848-0955.</p>		

### TOGETHER IN MINISTRY WORKSHOP - ST. STEPHEN PARISH IN LACOMBE (OCT. 19, 2019)

The Red Deer Deanery invites all members of our Parish Pastoral Councils, whether novice or veteran, to an Information Workshop at St. Stephen Church in Lacombe (5128 - 53 Street), on Saturday, October 19, 2019 from 10.00 AM to 04.00 PM. Together in Ministry Information Workshop (TIM 1) is mandatory for all PPC members in the Archdiocese of Edmonton. The workshop is an opportunity for new members to learn and returning members to refresh. You will also be able to network, share experiences and learn from members of other parishes. Registration is required. To register or for more information, please contact St. Stephen Parish Office in Lacombe at 403-782-3514 or email [StStephen.Lacombe@caedm.ca](mailto:StStephen.Lacombe@caedm.ca). Deadline for registration is Monday, October 14. Our parish will organize this workshop at later date for members of our Parish Pastoral Council.



## THANK YOU!

Thank you very much for changing lights in St. Matthew Church to LED:

- Fred Small
- Gil Perreault
- Orville Kittelson
- Dominic Couve
- Zane Perreault
- Chris Erickson
- Ernie Murias

*thank you* 😊

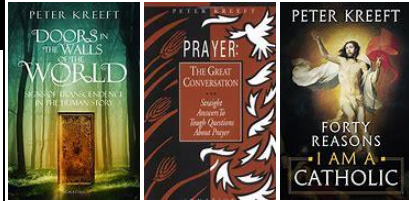
	<b>NEXT CWL MEETING</b>	<b>Sunday – October 20, 2019</b>	<b>After 9.00 AM Mass</b>
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<b>SAVE THE DATE</b>	<b>OCTOBER FEAST AND FAMILY DANCE – RMH</b>	
	<b>SUNDAY - OCTOBER 27, 2019 → 5.00 PM - 8.00 PM</b>	
<p>St. Matthew Parish and Missions invite you and your friends on October 27, 2019 to join in a celebration of thanksgiving “October Feast”, from 05.00 PM to 08.00 PM. A good ole feed followed by a little high stepping! More information to follow. Watch for promotion that will be soon posted at the parishes and our schools. Come one, come all! Hosted by St. Matthew CWL.</p>		

	<b>ALL HALLOW’S EVE PARTY = ALL SAINTS</b>	<b>Thursday - Oct. 31, 2019 ♦ 05.30 PM - 07.30 PM</b>
<p>All Hallow’s Eve Party (aka All Saints Party). Dress up as your favourite Saint and participate in Saint-themed games, songs and activities. We are also having a Saint-Themed Potluck. Please bring a main course and either a salad/veg or desert to share. Register at the parish office by October 28, 2019.</p>		

### REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE ENTERS NEXT STAGE


A review by Canada’s bishops of Development and Peace that arose from allegations the agency was aligned with some questionable partners is completed and will be presented by the end of September. It’s just one of many topics the bishops will consider at their annual plenary meetings in Cornwall. Religious freedom and overseas missions are also on the agenda.

<b>PARISH LIBRARY - ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE</b>	
<b>PARISH LIBRARY – DONATION REQUEST</b>	
<p>The parish library would like to purchase new book titles by Catholic author, Peter Kreeft. Cash donations are accepted at the Parish Office. Used books, by Peter Kreeft, in excellent condition would also be gratefully accepted. Thank you!</p>	


### CATHOLIC FAMILY MINISTRIES - WOMEN OF DIGNITY CONFERENCE (NOV. 29-30, 2019)

Save the date: this year’s annual Women of Dignity Conference will be held November 29-30, 2019 at Holy Trinity Parish. For more information please find [Catholic Family Ministries on Facebook](#) or visit [catholicfamilyministries.com](http://catholicfamilyministries.com)

<b>40 DAYS FOR LIFE ♦ EDMONTON CAMPAIGN</b>	<b>Sep. 25 – Nov. 03, 2019</b>	
<b>40 DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING FOR AN END TO ABORTION IN EDMONTON AND BEYOND.</b>		
<p>Please join us in prayer, fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach to protect mothers and their children from abortion. Our annual 40 Days for Life fall campaign will start September 25 and end November 03. For opportunities to serve in vigil, please contact Lori at 780-425-1637 or <a href="mailto:info@edmontonprolife.org">info@edmontonprolife.org</a> and visit <a href="http://www.40daysforlife.com/Edmonton">www.40daysforlife.com/Edmonton</a>.</p>		

<i>Thank you!</i>		<b>THANK YOU!</b>	<b>From Knights of Columbus</b>
<p>The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all Parishioners for their donations to and support of our Annual Garage Sale held on September 14, 2019. Through your generosity we were able to raise \$1,576. These funds will be used to help support Parish and Community activities and Charity sponsorship. Thank you and God Bless!</p>			

<b>NEW ISSUES OF “LIVING FAITH” AND “LIVING FAITH KIDS” AVAILABLE - \$2.50 EACH</b>	
<p>The next issue of “Living Faith” and “Living Faith – Kids” is available for purchase at the back of the church. The cost is \$2.50/booklet.</p>	

<b>CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD</b>	<b>Volunteers needed!</b>	
<p>Consider this ministry, please! We will start Children’s Liturgy in the next few weeks. If you are interested in leading or helping with Children’s Liturgy, please contact Mona Cruickshank at 403.846.1027.</p>		

**PASTOR - FR. LEON KLER**

**Deacon (Retired) - Bernie Ouellette**  
**Secretary - Vivian Duhamel**

**ADMINISTRATION OFFICE**

5208-53 Ave (Box 130) ♦ Rocky Mountain House, AB \* T4T 1A1

**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - 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 voice/fax/text line for prayer requests** 403.407.1932  
**Direct email address to office** [office@smpmhc.ca](mailto:office@smpmhc.ca)  
**Direct email address to pastor** [pastor@smpmhc.ca](mailto:pastor@smpmhc.ca)

**PARISH MINISTRIES**

**Altar Servers** Deacon Bernie Ouellette 403.846.0453  
**Baptism Preparation Class** Steve/Donna Oscar 403.895.0373  
**Bible Study Mondays** Mara Gagne 403.845.0940  
**Bible Study Sundays** Lisa Sembaliuk 403.846.7137  
**Called to Protect** Ernie Murias 403.845.4860  
**Children's Liturgy** Mona Cruickshank 403.846.1027  
**CWL** Joyce Donald 403.895.4156  
**First Communion Class** Catherine van Kampen 403.845.2923  
**Knights of Columbus** Gary Donald 403.845.5269  
**Maintenance** Ernie Murias 403.845.4860  
**Ministry to the Sick** Ernie Murias 403.845.4860  
**Music Ministry** Quintal Doreen 403.846.8733  
**Parish Finance Council** Randall Sugden 403.844.8478  
**Parish Pastoral Council** Lauren MacKenzie 403.845.2836  
**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  
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**

**05.00 PM**

Intention:

07.00 PM

Intention:

**Sunday**

**09.00 AM**

Intention:

**11.00 AM**

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**Monday**

**Tuesday**

06.30 PM

Intention:

**07.00 PM - 08.00 PM → HOLY HOUR ADORATION →→**

**Wednesday**

08.00 AM

Intention:

09.00 AM

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**11.00 AM**

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**Thursday**

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**Friday**

09.00 AM

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**09.30 AM - 12.00 PM → ADORATION →→→→→→**

**11.00 AM**

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Intention:

**September 28, 2019 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Caroline - St. Joseph the Workman Church **DATE/TIME CHANGE!**

For all members of our parish communities

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church **WITH FR. KLER**

♦♦♦♦♦♦♦♦ No intention requested

**September 29, 2019 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Evergreen - Jesuit Martyrs Church **WITH ARCHBISHOP SMITH**

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Rocky Mtn. House - St. Matthew Church **WITH ARCHBISHOP SMITH**

+ Rolly Bouchard

**September 30, 2019 - St. Jerome; priest, doctor**

No Mass

**October 01, 2019 - St. Therese of the Child Jesus; virgin, doctor**

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

For all prayer board intentions

**07.00 PM - 08.00 PM → HOLY HOUR ADORATION →→** St. Matthew Church, RMH

**October 02, 2019 - The Holy Guardian Angels**

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew School Chapel

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Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

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**Eckville - Eckville Manor**

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**October 03, 2019 - Weekday in Ordinary Time**

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

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Evergreen - Jesuit Martyrs Church

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**October 04, 2019 - St. Francis of Assisi**

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

For all the souls in purgatory

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

**11.00 AM** Rocky Mountain House - Clearwater Centre

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**October 05, 2019 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

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**October 06, 2019 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church

For a special intention

Evergreen - Jesuit Martyrs Church

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Caroline - St. Joseph the Workman Church

For all members of our parish communities



**SEP. 22, 2019 THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!**

**SUNDAY REG. COLLECTION:** RMH - \$2,051.35 \* Evergreen - \$455.00 \* Caroline - \$330.00  
**CHILDREN'S COLLECTION:** RMH - \$24.80 \* Evergreen - \$3.25 \* Caroline - \$2.00  
**MAINTENANCE FUND:** RMH - \$40.00 \* Evergreen - \$45.00 \* Caroline - \$00.00

**ROSARY COAST TO COAST**

**102 YEARS AFTER THE FATIMA MIRACLE OF THE SUN**

JOIN US AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH on **October 13, 2019** from **2.00 PM** to **3.00 PM**  
FOR **HOLY HOUR ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** \* Pray the **ROSARY PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING** and **PETITIONS FOR OUR COUNTRY IN THE YEARS AHEAD**  
**Questions or concerns? Please contact parish office at 403-347-3114**

**OFFICE CLOSED**

**TUESDAY - OCTOBER 01, 2019 (WORKSHOP IN EDMONTON)**

