

November 03, 2019 – 31st 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

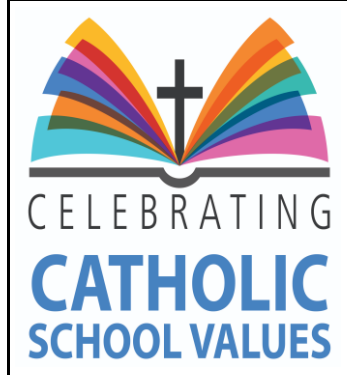


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INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE SUNDAY

*Wisdom 11:22-12:2 * 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2 * Luke 19:1-10*

No one is lost to the love of God. In love, God created the world and all things in it. His love for all souls moves him to forgive sins so all can repent and know his love. Jesus Christ is the embodiment of his love, and comes to invite and empower each of us, especially the lost, to turn back to God and know the joy of his mercy. ♦ **In Book of Wisdom**, the author says that God loves all things because they are his, he overlooks sin so that all may repent. **In second reading**, Paul offers prayer and encouragement to the Thessalonians in their efforts to glorify the Lord. **In Luke's Gospel**, Jesus empowers Zacchaeus to return to right relationship with him.



CATHOLIC EDUCATION SUNDAY

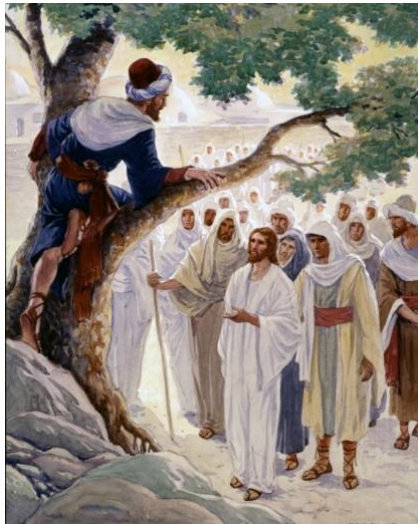
November 03, 2019

Loving God, You have called us to serve You through our involvement in Catholic Schools. Energize our teachers to model Your love for their students, so through them they see Christ; Enliven our pastors to provide vibrant leadership to all they serve; Instill Your example of compassionate leadership in our administrators so they may be Christ for others; Enkindle a passion in our trustees to lead with integrity and justice to light our way; Open the minds and hearts of our students so that they are open to the wonders of Your creation; Strengthen our parents to raise their children to be active participants in Your Church. Watch over us all, so we may continue to strengthen and sustain Catholic Schools. Amen.

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

Sunday – Nov. 03, 2019 at 5.00 PM

Pine Grove Cemetery - Rocky Mountain House ♦ We will meet at the entrance!
SHORT PRAYER SERVICE → FOLLOWED BY BLESSING OF THE GRAVES OF OUR LOVED ONES



God is a God who loves all things that are; he is a lover of souls. God is merciful and overlooks our sins to give us the opportunity to repent. God's love sustains and holds us into being at every moment. Breathes into us the breath of life, every moment like Adam's first breath. This love of God empties itself into our humanity in Jesus. God takes the initiative and comes to meet us – not just halfway, but all the way, in Jesus. ♦ Today we heard the story of Jesus' encounter with Zacchaeus. Jesus came to Jericho and intended to pass through the town. Zacchaeus, a chief tax collector and a wealthy man, wants to see Jesus. By this time in Jesus' ministry, who wouldn't, right? But Zacchaeus couldn't see Jesus, because he was too short to see over the crowds. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree in order to see him. Jesus sees Zacchaeus in the tree, orders him down from it, and then says, today I must stay at your house. Hmm ... it appears he is no longer "passing through," as he initially intended! Zacchaeus came down quickly and received Jesus with joy. He repents, offers to give half his possessions to the poor, and repay ... four times over, anyone he has defrauded. ♦ Whatever tree we need to climb to see Jesus, whatever tree we need to descend in order to embrace him, salvation awaits us. Jesus seeks us out, and with the gift of faith we respond. For into the heart and house of one who repents and welcomes the Son of Man, salvation has come.



SPAGHETTI SUPPER AND SILENT AUCTION

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2019 – 06.00 PM

St. Matthew Church – Rocky Mountain House (5208 - 53 Ave.)

Tickets - \$10 per person (12 yrs. and under are free)

Tickets are available at the parish office during office hours and following Masses on Nov. 2, Nov. 3 and Nov. 9, Nov. 10. We welcome donations of items for silent auction which can be dropped off at parish office during office hours.



LITURGICAL MINISTRIES – ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

Date and Time	Greeters/Gifts Bearers	Proclaimer 1	Proclaimer 2	EMHC - Hosts	EMHC – C1	EMHC - C2
Nov. 02, 2019 at 07.00 PM	Debbie Baich	Orville Kittelson	Laverne Froese	Laurier Nobert	Karen Carmichael	Ernie Murias
Nov. 03, 2019 at 09.00 AM	Julie Layden	Joanne Mazza	Marliss Cartier	Doreen Couture	Teresa Johnson	Lorie Hughes
Nov. 09, 2019 at 07.00 PM	Roxane Melvin	Dorraine Lonsdale	Karen Carmichael	Ernie Murias	Leo Pelletier	Laverne Froese
Nov. 10, 2019 at 09.00 AM	Bill Fletcher	Josiah Kirtzinger	Dom Couve	Jim Marland	Dave Parfitt	Barry Kirtzinger

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES – EVERGREEN

Date and Time	Proclaimer 1	Proclaimer 2	Gifts Bearers	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Chalice
Nov. 03, 2019 at 11.00 AM	Joey Hoven	Barron Reichert	The Mark Szymanek Family	Gerald and Margie Miller
Nov. 10, 2019 at 11.00 AM	Dennis Nugent	Liam Hoven	Marvin and Rita Andersen	Ed and Carol Szymanek

Bible Study in RMH: Sunday, Nov. 03 & 10 * After 09.00 AM Mass
Bible Study in RMH: Monday, Nov. 04 & 11 * 7.00 PM

Bible Study in Evergreen: Sunday, Nov. 03 & 10 * 10.00 AM

	DEACON BERNIE OUELLETTE ON RETREAT	November 01 - 03, 2019
Deacon Bernie is on retreat from Friday to Sunday. He attends retreat in Mount St. Francis Retreat Centre in Cochrane. Many blessings, Deacon!		
	MID – TERM ASSEMBLY OF PRIESTS - EDMONTON	November 05 - 07, 2019
Fr. Kler will attend Mid-Term Assembly of Priests in Edmonton → Nov. 05 - 07, 2019 (Tue. - Thu.) ♦ No Masses on these three days		


ALTAR SERVERS' PRACTICE ♦ RMH Starts Tuesday Nov. 05 • 4.00 PM - 5.00 PM

Top 5 reasons to be an Altar Server:

- Serve Your Church and Your Christian Community.** You are **NEEDED** to help with **SPECIFIC JOBS** only an Altar Server helps with.
- Become Closer to GOD.** Each time you assist in the Miracle of the Mass you are **close to Jesus**. You have **front row seats** to the Miracle of the Transformation of the Body and Blood of Jesus.
- Education – You will learn about our Catholic Faith.** Altar Servers know the order of Mass very well, have hands on learning, show reverence & maturity during Mass. Altar Servers learn to be punctual, responsible, attentive, respectful, helpful and grow in maturity
- Make new friends.** Altar Servers are both boys and girls, they range in age from grade 3 to university so you will make friends outside of your grade, school and regular friendship group. Altar Servers have had the sacrament of First Communion and Reconciliation, as well as the same Christian Values and Beliefs as you do.
- Gives you a closer look at Catholic Vocations and Ministries.** Altar Servers appreciate the Sacrifice Ordinary people make when they help with lay ministries or are ordained to become Deacons, Priests, and Nuns. Don't expect every Altar Server to become a Priest. They will have an opportunity to learn more about lay ministries and our dedicated fellow Christians who serve our Lord Jesus Christ.



You will be in a **SAFE, SUPERVISED** environment. Parents are welcome to attend. Church will be open afterschool for any child that walks. Altar Servers will not have a Specific Schedule so that it is **flexible for every family**. EVERY Altar Server will have the Opportunity to **HELP** at ANY MASS they attend if they are here ready to Help **10 minutes before Mass**. If you have already been an Altar Server for a long time we **NEED** you to come and help the new members. **Altar Servers' Practice: Tuesdays - November 05, 19, 26 • December 03, 10, 17. Debbie Baich will be coordinating a snack & communication and can be reached at dbaich@telus.net or at 403-845-6846.** Deacon Bernie will be instructing the Class.

	YOUTH GROUP	ST. MATTHEW CHURCH	November 07, 2019 • 07.00 PM - 09.00 PM
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. ♦ For info contact Peter at vankampen.peter@gmail.com or call/text 403-848-0955.			

Friday - November 08	ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT	
Friday – November 08, 2019 ♦ 09.30 AM - 12.00 PM (Private Adoration) ♦ Mass at 09.00 AM		

	FIRST COMMUNION - THE CELEBRATION OF ENROLLMENT	SUNDAY, NOV. 10, 2019
Welcome all children preparing to receive First Holy Communion to Celebration of Enrollment: 09.00 AM - RMH • 01.00 PM - Caroline		
FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAM ♦ RMH		NEXT LESSON – SUNDAY, NOV. 10, 2019 • 1.30 PM – 4.30 PM

	HOLY HOUR ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - RMH	DATE CHANGE
Tuesday – November 12, 2019 ♦ 07.00 PM - 08.00 PM ♦ Mass at 06.30 PM		
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - ST. MATTHEW SCHOOL CHAPEL		
Wednesday – November 13, 2019 ♦ 10.00 AM – 03.00 PM		

NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS		
Wednesday, November 27, 2019 - 07.00 PM ♦ Rocky Mountain House - St. Matthew Church		
Register before Nov. 20, 2019 • Call/Text office at 403-845-3457 or email office at office@smprmh.ca if you plan to attend.		



LADIES RETREAT

**Saturday - Nov. 16, 2019
01.00 PM - 08.30 PM**

St. Matthew Church – Rocky Mountain House (5208 – 53 Avenue)

The Ladies of the CWL present a Ladies Retreat with **special guest and speaker Sandra Prather**. This Retreat is open to all ladies over the age of 16 years and you do not need to be a CWL member to attend. • Sandra is a long-time Retreat Director, writer and facilitator known for an infectious joy in her faith. She works locally, nationally and internationally teaching and leading retreats, seminars and workshops for educators, lay formation programs, parishes, and men's and women's religious organizations. Drawing upon her theological training and faith perspective as a wife, mother and grandmother; Sandra 'breaks open the ordinary' so that we might know God 'amidst the pots and pans.' • Sandra holds a Bachelor of Education degree from the University of Alberta and a Master of Theology degree from Newman Theological College. She served for 21 years as Executive Director of Star of the North Retreat Centre in St. Albert and in 2018 was the recipient of the Kevin Carr Christian Leadership Award. She serves as Provincial Animator for Associates for the Oblates of Mary Immaculate, Lacombe Canada and has been an Honorary Oblate since 2008. • She and her husband Bob reside in Sherwood Park and are blessed with four adult children and ten grandchildren. They have been parishioners of Our Lady of Perpetual Help for over thirty-five years.

Please take time away from your busy lives to join us on Saturday and come closer to God.

Doors open at 12.30 PM. There will be a light lunch at 5.00 PM. Confession will be available 6.00 PM – 6.45 PM before Saturday evening Mass. You're welcome to invite your family to come and join you for Mass Saturday night. **Cost will be \$40/\$35 for CWL members.** Cash or cheque (made to CWL) can be given to Vivian at the parish office. If you would like to anonymously sponsor another lady who might not be able to attend, please let Vivian know you are sponsoring (\$40). Financial means should not prevent anyone from attending. Please register asking to be sponsored and we will do so confidentially. **If you would like to volunteer** on Saturday to help with registration, music, lunch etc., please contact Debbie Baich by email dbaich@telus.net or call her at (403) 845-6846.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

LET'S REMEMBER IN PRAYER ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Month of November is traditional time to remember in prayer all the faithful departed. Our prayers help them as theirs help us. If you wish to have your loved ones commemorated in our churches during all weekday and weekend Masses in November, please **write down the name or names in the Book of Remembrance** placed in each church before the altar (family members, parishioners, friends and neighbors).



CWL MEETING

Sunday, November 17, 2019 – After 9.00 AM Mass

Ladies over 16 years are always welcome!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

Tuesday, November 19, 2019 – 7.00 PM

All Knights are invited!



ANNUAL MINISTRIES FAIR – RMH

NOV. 30 / DEC. 01, 2019

- Discover where God is calling you to share your stewardship of Talent, Time and 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



The weekend of Nov. 30/Dec. 01 we will celebrate Stewardship Week in St. Matthew Parish. On this special weekend, we reflect on all God's blessings and make a decision as to what our gift will be in return for all that God has bestowed upon us.



CALLED TO PROTECT WORKSHOP - RMH

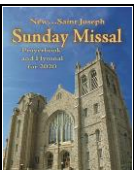
DEC. 02, 2019 ♦ 7.00 PM - 9.30 PM

St. Matthew Church - Rocky Mountain House. Called to Protect™ is an abuse prevention training Workshop. Mandatory for all parish adult members of leadership and those who serve in medium or high-risk ministries. Although there will be future workshops presented, this is your opportunity to be on record for anyone who is considering a future ministry. Register at the Parish Office 403-845-3457 or facilitators Ernie & Lorraine Murias at 403-845-4860.

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR SALE

In the parish office and at the back of the church

Religious Christmas cards are available for purchase from parish office and will be at the back table in each church, beginning the weekend of Nov. 02/03. Prices are: \$6 per package of 10 identical cards and \$3 per package of 12 cards with Scripture verse.



SUNDAY MISSALS 2020 FOR SALE

\$5.00 EACH

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. The 2020 Saint Joseph Sunday 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. The cost - \$5.00 each!

CATHOLIC ART 2020 CALENDARS FOR SALE

At the back of the church - \$4.00 each

We invite you to purchase Catholic Calendar, where we have all the Liturgical Celebrations. The liturgical year gives meaning to what we are called to do as we imitate Jesus Christ. His life and Resurrection helps to understand the reason for His coming.



LIVE-IN RETREAT AND GET TO KNOW JESUS - RED DEER

NOV. 08 - 10, 2019

Location: Ecole Camille J. Lerouge, 5530 - 42a Ave., Red Deer. **MORE INFO:** email: joanvianselent@gmail.com, phone: Joan Selent (403) 877-8306

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

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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
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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



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday November 02, 2019 – 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
07.00 PM Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church
Intention: + Cyrille Fournier

Sunday November 03, 2019 – 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
09.00 AM Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church
Intention: Birthday blessings for Yolande Perrault
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: + Anne Fleming

03.00 PM Caroline – Sanctum Retreat Center →→→→→ **ADDITIONAL MASS**
Intention: ♦♦♦♦♦♦♦♦ No intention requested

Monday November 04, 2019 – St. Charles Borromeo; bishop
No Mass

Tuesday November 05, 2019 – Weekday in Ordinary Time
No Mass Fr. Leon at Mid-Term Assembly of Priests in Edmonton

Wednesday November 06, 2019 – Weekday in Ordinary Time
No Mass Fr. Leon at Mid-Term Assembly of Priests in Edmonton

Thursday November 07, 2019 – Weekday in Ordinary Time
No Mass Fr. Leon at Mid-Term Assembly of Priests in Edmonton

Friday November 08, 2019 – Weekday in Ordinary Time
09.00 AM Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church
Intention: + Orrie McIvor

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

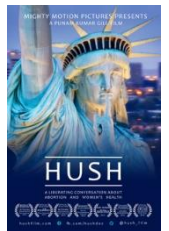
Saturday November 09, 2019 – 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
07.00 PM Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church
Intention: For all the souls in purgatory

Sunday November 10, 2019 – 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
09.00 AM Rocky Mountain House – St. Matthew Church
Intention: Blessings & grace for Deacon Bernie on the 19th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate and on the 16th anniversary of service to St. Matthew Parish & Missions
Evergreen – Jesuit Martyrs Church
Intention: For all members of our parish communities
01.00 PM Caroline – St. Joseph the Workman Church
Intention: + Anne Fleming

OCT. 27, 2019 THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!

SUNDAY REG. COLLECTION: RMH - \$1,745.25 * Evergreen - \$675.00 * Caroline - \$135.00
CHILDREN'S COLLECTION: RMH - \$18.25 * Evergreen - \$00.00 * Caroline - \$6.00
MAINTENANCE FUND: RMH - \$00.00 * Evergreen - \$00.00 * Caroline - \$10.00
TOGETHER WE SERVE: RMH - \$3,015.00 * Evergreen - \$100.00 * Caroline - \$00.00

Movie "Hush" was produced in 2014. It documents the link between breast cancer and abortion. Women who had an abortion were 2 to 4 times more likely to get breast cancer. Plan to attend the Red Deer Pro Life banquet on Nov. 29, 2019 to hear the producer, Drew Martin, present the story of how this movie came to be produced, and the reason why the feminist majority does not want these facts made known. Fill a table of 8, help the unborn and their mothers by becoming informed and standing up for life. Free banquet tickets available until Nov. 24, 2019. Call Joel Soodsma at 403-845-4703.



CHRISTMAS MASSES 2019

Tuesday, Dec. 24, 2019 – Christmas Eve
05.00 PM – Rocky Mountain House
08.00 PM – Rocky Mountain House
Wednesday, Dec. 25, 2019 – Christmas Day
09.00 AM – Rocky Mountain House
11.00 AM – Evergreen
01.00 PM – Caroline

NEW YEAR'S MASSES 2020

Tuesday, Dec. 31, 2019 – New Year's Eve
05.00 PM – Evergreen **CHANGE**
07.00 PM – Rocky Mountain House
Wednesday, Jan. 01, 2020 – New Year's Day
09.00 AM – Rocky Mountain House
11.00 AM – Evergreen **NO MASS**
01.00 PM – Caroline