

# Holy Family Parish, Fernie

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*Holy Family Parish is organised together with St. Michael's, Sparwood and St. Bernard's, Elkford.*

## 18<sup>th</sup> March 2018 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

### *From the Parish...*

#### **Lent Penitential Service – this Tuesday**

“There is no saint without a past, no sinner without a future” St. Augustine.

This Tuesday our Lent Penitential Service will be held at St. Michael's church in Sparwood at 6:30pm. This service will start with a Mass of Reconciliation – which should take about half an hour – and then three priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please be

part of this celebration if you can. The service will centre on today's first reading and today's psalm; both tell of God's forgiveness; Jeremiah says, “for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.”, and the Psalm says “From my sins turn away your face and blot out all my guilt.” But they both also talk of God's tenderness and love; Jeremiah, “I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.”, and the Psalm, “A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me.” So bring your sins, but also bring your heart so you can take home God's love.

#### **Accommodations needed for a Syrian Family**

The Syrian Family for Fernie Committee are looking for accommodations for their family of three from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018 to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2019. If you have a rental unit that may be available or if you know of a place that is suitable please let them know by contacting Sharon Switzer at 250-946-6919 or [fernieliving@gmail.com](mailto:fernieliving@gmail.com).

### **Ministries**

#### **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March**

**Eucharistic Minister:**

Colin Lynch

**Reader:**

Colin Lynch

**Greeters:**

Nellie Dunlap &  
Hilda Cadorath

#### **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March**

**Eucharistic Minister:**

Sharon Switzer

**Reader:**

Anne Majic &  
Billie-Anne Kowalski

**Greeters:**

Jesse Mong & Family

**Church cleaning this week:**

M. Gareau, I. Gareau,  
L. Kremen, S. Butler

### **Mass Times**

#### **Masses for Sunday**

Fernie:

5pm Saturday &  
9am Sunday

Also:

Sparwood:

7pm Saturday &  
11am Sunday

Elkford:

4pm Sunday

#### **Weekdays Mass**

Wednesday at 11am –  
Rocky Mountain Village

Sanctuary Lamp burns for  
Saverio Polcino  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> to Saturday  
24<sup>th</sup> March  
from Vince Polcino

## **Finance – Collections:**

10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> March 2018.....\$1236.65

## ***Pilgrimage of Faith:***

Given to date..... \$11,127.75

*Our Diocesan Goal* ..... \$10,200.00

## ***From Development and Peace***

### **Solidarity Sunday**

*Development and Peace write:* We wish to thank you for your generosity on this Development and Peace Solidarity Sunday. Your donation will be used to help our sisters and brothers all over the world – from Lebanon to Cambodia, to Nigeria and beyond! The theme of our Share Lent campaign Together for Peace, invites us to build peace through dialogue and reconciliation and to consider mercy as a source of hope for the future. This is what Pope Francis underlined on the occasion of the Jubilee of Mercy: “Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instils in us the courage to look to the future with hope.” Thank you for helping us create a future with hope.” Thank you for helping us create a future filled with hope!

## ***Invitation from Knox United Church***

### **Holden Evening Prayer – this Wednesday at 7 pm at Knox**

Please come out to this, and please spread the word! This is a lovely candle-lit service with contemporary/inclusive language and beautiful piano accompaniment. It’s a contemplative, moving service and a beautiful way to mark the changing of the seasons. It was written by Marty Haugen, a Lutheran musician who has a few hymns in our United, Anglican and Catholic books. He wrote this service for Holden Village, a Lutheran retreat centre. Jessica Shippit, one of the musicians from First United in Kelowna, will be leading the service which will be about half an hour long. It will end with quiet time in the sanctuary. Those who wish to chat and visit will head to the entryway.

## ***From the Diocese***

### **Chrism Mass – Nelson Cathedral**

An invitation is extended to all parishioners to the Annual Chrism Mass at 7pm on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March at the Cathedral of Mary Immaculate in Nelson.

### **Installation of Bishop Gregory Bittman**

The Installation Mass is on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm in Kelowna at Immaculate Conception Parish. A Mass of Celebration is on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm in Nelson at the Cathedral of Mary Immaculate. A meet and greet reception will follow each Mass and all are welcome. Due to seating limitations for each Mass, tickets will be required for entry. Information about acquiring a ticket will be forthcoming after April 3<sup>rd</sup>.