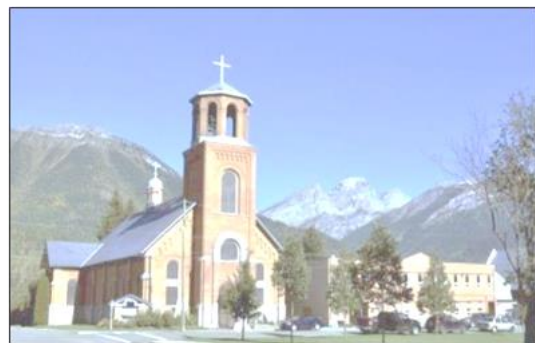


# Holy Family Parish, Fernie

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25<sup>th</sup> November 2018

## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

### *From the Parish*

#### Parish Appreciation

*Fr. David writes...* Many thanks to all those who turned up to the appreciation Mass and potluck for Vince and Cathleen last Saturday night. It was a good celebration.

We all have a big debt of gratitude to many people who have worked so hard for years making our parish what it is today. Many people have given service to the parish that might be described as “above and beyond the line of duty”, and what they all have in common is that they call the parish “our parish”; they see it as “our church”. Can you imagine a church that was only made up of visitors? Don’t get me wrong, we love our visitors and as so many of our visitors come back again and again, we see them as family! Indeed, our task is to make everyone feel that they are part of the family of our parish rather than an outsider looking on from a distance. And just as no family member can get out of the family tasks at family gatherings, so to we need all members of the parish – *locals and visitors alike* – to be ministers in the parish.

So I invite you again to sit together as one group near the front, to sign up for ministries and to give of your time and talents to keep our parish going, as so many of the old timers have done for years.

Sometime next year we hope to have another appreciation Mass and meal for more of the people who have spent decades selflessly doing whatever they could for our parish family.

#### Service Times for Advent and Christmas

Our Advent Reconciliation Service will be on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 6:30pm**. We are having this service slightly earlier to try to let the visiting priests get home at a reasonable hour. If you can’t get to this service, *Sparwood* have a Reconciliation Service at 6:30pm on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December and *Cranbrook* have one on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December.

Our Christmas Masses in Fernie are:

### **Christmas Eve at 5pm and Christmas Day at 9 am.**

Fernie’s *weekend* Mass times are unchanged around Christmas with the usual 5pm Saturday Mass and 9am Sunday Mass. At Christmas *Sparwood* will have Mass at 10pm Mass on Christmas Eve and at 11am on Christmas morning.

### **Mass Times**

#### Masses for Sunday

#### **Fernie:**

5pm Saturday &  
9am Sunday

Also:

#### **Sparwood:**

7pm Saturday &  
11am Sunday

#### **Elkford:**

4pm Sunday

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#### Weekdays Mass

No Mass at  
Rocky Mountain Village

## **Ministries**

### **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December**

**Eucharistic Minister:**

Colin Lynch

**Reader:**

Patrice Oscienny

**Greeters:**

Nellie Dunlap & Hilda Cadorath

### **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**

**Eucharistic Minister:**

Anne Majic

**Reader:**

Adele Minto

**Greeters:**

Jesse Mong & Family

**Church cleaning week starting  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November:**

M. Gareau, I. Gareau &  
G. Kitchen

### **Finance – Collections:**

17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> November.....\$1066.65  
Parish Assistance.....\$1045.00

### **Pilgrimage of Faith:**

**2018/2019**

Diocesan Goal ..... \$12,150.00  
Given to Date..... \$ 2,970.00

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The Sanctuary Lamp burns for  
Norma Chudik  
Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November to  
Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December  
from Marilyn Gareau & family.

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## **Invitation to Youth and Children**

The Choir would like to extend an invitation to all youth and children who would like to join the Children's Choir to celebrate the Christmas Eve Mass at 5pm. For further information please email [rosanna@shaw.ca](mailto:rosanna@shaw.ca) or call 250-423-7290.

## ***Pre-Christmas Events for Parishioners***

### **Christmas Candlelight Memorial Service**

On Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 7 pm there will be a Christmas Candlelight Memorial Service at Cherished Memories "Serenity Chapel" at 891 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. This is a non-denomination service and everyone who attends will be given a candle to light in memory of their loved one. Light refreshments will be served following the service. Please RSVP to 250-423-7944 or by email at [cfs@shaw.ca](mailto:cfs@shaw.ca)

### **A Pre-Christmas Celebration of Music**

The Fernie Community Choir is excited to present its Christmas concert on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm in the Holy Family Church. Tickets are on sale at the Scotiabank and at the door. The ticket price is \$10 a person and children under the age of twelve are free. Please come and enjoy the music.

### **The Salvation Army Christmas Kettle Campaign**

*Kaitlyn Black, the Salvation Army Kettle Coordinator writes:* We are once again gearing up for our annual Christmas Kettle campaign. As the largest single fundraiser of The Salvation Army, donations made to the kettles determine whether or not we are able to continue our ministry to the people of Fernie. Of course, we can't make this effort alone. Once again this year, we are calling upon the efforts of volunteers from you to help man the kettles. The donations your help raises will assist in providing food and toys for the Christmas hampers. Extra funds will be used

throughout the coming year to provide food, clothing and other assistance for the needy in our community. This year our locations are:

- Post Office – starting Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November to noon on Christmas Eve;
- Save On Foods – starting Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November to noon on Christmas Eve;
- Kevin's Your Independent Grocer – starting a little later at this location on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December to noon on Christmas Eve;
- Canadian Tire starting Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November to Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> December.

We won't be at every location every day this year so please contact myself for availability. Any assistance you can offer would be appreciated. You are also welcome to advertise your church at the location. Without donations towards our kettle campaign, the ministry of The Salvation Army could not continue. Our work is only possible through God's grace and the generosity of the many volunteers who give of their time. Thank you, and may God richly bless you for your assistance.

Please contact me by phone on (250) 423-4661 or via e-mail: [Kaitlyn\\_Black@can.salvationarmy.org](mailto:Kaitlyn_Black@can.salvationarmy.org)