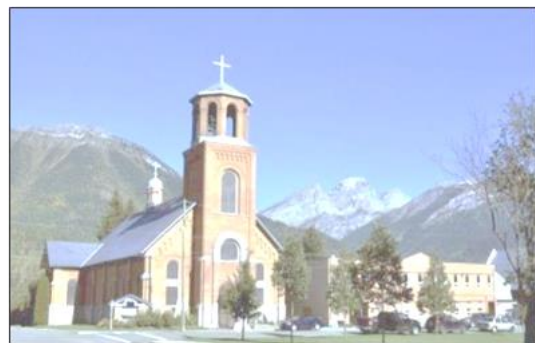


Holy Family Parish, Fernie

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9th December 2018
2nd Sunday of Advent

From the Parish

Fr. David writes...

Thank you to those who came to the reconciliation service here in Fernie. It might have been a small number but we celebrated a lovely, intermit Mass.

Cranbrook Reconciliation Service: The time of the Cranbrook reconciliation service has changed to a more conventional hour of 7pm. It is still on Monday 17th December at Christ the Servant Church which is at 1100 14th Avenue S., Cranbrook. There should be a good number of priests there to help celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation, so if you do want confession before Christmas, do see if you can get to this service.

Vince Sonntage: Vince died very peacefully on Tuesday evening. Indeed he must have passed just as we were praying for him in church at our Mass that night. His funeral was on church on Saturday and his ashes will be buried in Goodsoil in Saskatchewan at a later date (*that is, the place called 'Goodsoil', Saskatchewan*). We do pray for Cathleen and for Patti and Marc, plus the extended family.

Before Christmas: Please do look at the events coming up before Christmas, particularly the Community Choir concert on Friday 14th and the Arts Station film on Wednesday 19th – *see over*.

Catholic Women's League Christmas Social

All the women of the parish are invited to the Catholic Women's League Christmas social this Tuesday, 11th December, at 7pm. Christmas plans, Christmas carols and some Christmas cheer are on the agenda! Bring an appetizer if you'd like but it's not mandatory.

Nativity Play at the Fernie Family Centre

The children of the parish invite everyone to this year's Nativity Play to be held Wednesday 19th December at 3:45pm in the Fernie Family Centre. Kim Lynch-Garlock will provide music! Please bring your singing voices and a donation for the Third World Gift Project. Last year the children raised enough to buy one goat, two hens and a rooster through the Chalice Gift Program. Please come to the Pizza Party after the play. If you have time, please contact Regina Vinge to assist with set up and clean up. Phone or text 250-423-9154.

Mass Times

Masses for Sunday

Fernie:

5pm Saturday &
9am Sunday

Also:

Sparwood:

7pm Saturday &
11am Sunday

Elkford:

4pm Sunday

Weekdays Mass

11am Mass at
Rocky Mountain Village

Ministries

Saturday 15th December

Eucharistic Minister:

Looking for a volunteer

Reader:

Lisa Westhaver

Greeters:

Willie Oryschak

Sunday 16th December

Eucharistic Minister:

Looking for a volunteer

Reader:

Christine Fleming

Greeters:

Sharon Switzer

Church cleaning week starting

Monday 3rd December:

A. Majic & M. BeGuzman

Finance – Collections:

1st/2nd December.....\$1319.40

Pilgrimage of Faith:

Diocesan Goal.....\$12,150.00

Given to Date\$ 3,105.00

Christmas Masses

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.

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 or call 250-423-7290.

Pre-Christmas Events for Parishioners

Christmas Candlelight Memorial Service

This Monday, 10th December, at 7pm there will be a Christmas Candlelight Memorial Service at Cherished Memories "Serenity Chapel" at 891 4th 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

A Pre-Christmas Celebration of Music

The Fernie Community Choir is excited to present its Christmas concert this Friday 14th 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.

Won't You Be My Neighbour? - Film at the Fernie Arts Station

On Wednesday 19th December at 7pm there will be a showing of the film, "Won't You Be My Neighbour?" The film is being put on by the all the churches in Fernie and is a 'pay-what-you-can' fundraiser for the Salvation Army's Community and Family Services. You are warmly invited to this.

About the Film: For over thirty years, Fred Rogers, and unassuming minister, puppeteer, writer and producer was beamed daily into homes across North America. In his beloved television program, Mister Rogers' Neighbourhood, Fred and his cast of puppets and friends spoke directly to young children about some of life's weightiest issues, in a simple, direct fashion. There hadn't been anything like Mr. Rogers on television before and there hasn't been since. Though he may be best known today as a soft-spoken, cardigan-wearing children's television host, in reality Fred Roger's career represents a sustained attempt to present a coherent, beneficent view about how we should best peak to children about important matters and how television could be used as a positive force in our society. This film looks bac on the legacy of Fred Rogers' focusing on his radically kind ideas.

Other news

Message from Development and Peace – Caritas Canada

This Monday, 10th December, is International Human Rights Day. Join Development and Peace – Caritas Canada in highlighting International Human Rights day. Together, let's build a world of justice.