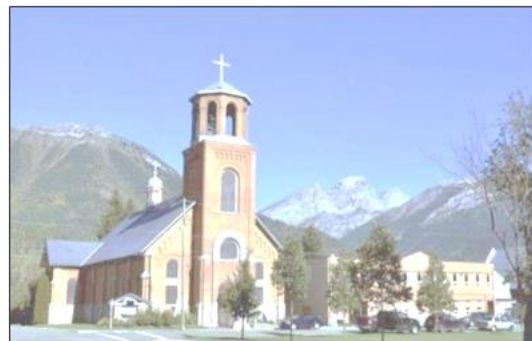


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Mass Times for Christmas Christmas Eve at 5pm and Christmas Day at 9am.

At Christmas *Sparwood* will have Mass at 10pm Mass on Christmas Eve and at 11am on Christmas morning.



23rd December 2018

4th Sunday of Advent

Welcome Rhett Rhinas

We congratulate baby Rhett who was baptised on Saturday afternoon. We pray for him, his big brother Kip, his parents and grandparents.

2019 Church Envelopes

The 2019 church envelopes are in the foyer. Please pick up but do not use until next year. If you were not assigned a box, there are many “extra” boxes.

The Income tax receipts will be issued the middle of February. Please put your mailing address on the first envelope you use in order to upgrade our parish list. Thank you.

Other News

Pilgrimage of Faith Donations for 2018

With the end of the 2018 fiscal year coming upon us, kindly ensure that any donations for the Pilgrimage of Faith for the tax year 2018 are received and dated no later than 31st December.

Mass Times

Masses for Sunday

Fernie:

5pm Saturday &
9am Sunday

Also:

Sparwood:

7pm Saturday &
11am Sunday

Elkford:

4pm Sunday

Christmas Masses

See time on the left.

Christmas Reflection

Prayer for Young People this Christmas

There is a powerful story told among the Indigenous people of an Elder explaining to a youth that in each person there are two wolves that are constantly at war, a Good Wolf fighting to make us strong and noble and wise, and a Bad Wolf fighting to make us weak and evil and foolish. The youth asked the Elder which Wolf wins this war taking place within us and the Elder replied: “the Wolf that we feed.”

To grow strong and noble and wise, young people need to be nourished by the dreams, wisdom and love of their Elders. Pope Francis’ prayer for a Synod this year in Rome captures well the dream and hope of the Prophets of today for our Young People, the Prophets of tomorrow:

Lord Jesus,

your Church turns her attention to all the young people of the world.

We pray that they might boldly take charge of their lives, aim for the most beautiful and profound things of life and always keep their hearts unencumbered.

Accompanied by wise and generous guides, help them to respond to the call you make to each of them,

to realize a proper plan of life and achieve happiness. Keep their hearts open to dreaming great dreams and make them concerned for the good of others.

Like the Beloved Disciple, may they stand at the foot of the Cross,

to receive your Mother as a gift from you.

May they be witnesses to your Resurrection

and be aware that you are at their side

as they joyously proclaim you as Lord. **Amen.**

As you gather with your family this Christmas you might like to invite one of the family – perhaps an older child – to read this prayer before Christmas lunch, or by the crib scene or at some other time.



Ministries

Christmas Eve at 5pm

Eucharistic Minister:

Colin Lynch

Reader:

Marymay Howse

Greeters:

Nellie Dunlap & Hilda Cadorath

Christmas Day at 9am

Eucharistic Minister:

Reader:

Christine Fleming

Greeters:

Jesse Mong & Family

Saturday 29th December

Eucharistic Minister:

Colin Lynch

Reader:

Christine Fleming

Greeters:

Luis Grijalva & Family

Sunday 30th December

Eucharistic Minister:

Geraldine Rocca

Reader:

Giselle Kitchen

Greeters:

Sam Caravetta

Reader:

Christine Fleming

Greeters:

Jesse Mong & Family

**Church cleaning week starting
Monday 17th December:**

H. Binter, A. & L. Westhaver

Finance – Collections:

15th/16th December\$1522.45

Pilgrimage of Faith:

Diocesan Goal\$12,150.00

Given to Date\$ 3,755.00