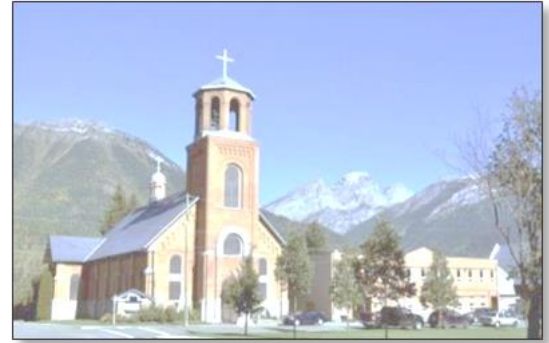


# Holy Family Parish, Fernie

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

8<sup>th</sup> September 2019

## 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### *From the Parish*

### **Education Sunday-‘Form and Flourish’**

This Sunday, 8th September, is Education Sunday. It is a time when we can reflect upon the year past, as well as look forward with anticipation to the year ahead. The theme of this year's Education Sunday is 'Form and Flourish'. The formation and education of a young person into adulthood enables them to reach their potential, to live a fulfilling life and ultimately flourish.

At school we are given tools that we can utilise throughout our lives. The Holy Father has said "Good education plants seeds when we are young, and these continue to bear fruit throughout life." Time spent at school should not only equip us for life in the world but instil in us a love for knowledge and a desire to seek truth and wisdom. Education is a lifelong pursuit and it is the job of our parents and teachers alike to plant and nurture seeds which will continue to grow and flourish over a lifetime. True education should also recognise the different gifts and talents of each pupil. Catholic education has at its heart the mission to help students uncover the essence of who they are and what it means to be in fellowship with others, seeking vocation and celebrating differences, leading them to become agents of change. While in Fernie we don't have a Catholic school, these ambitions should also be built into every Catholic home.

So this weekend you are invited to talk with your children or grandchildren as they start their new year of education, and to firstly help them review how last year went and any lessons that can be learnt from that, particularly in the areas of *who they are and what it means to be in fellowship with others, seeking vocation and celebrating differences, leading them to become agents of change.* Then to look forward in hope to the coming year, and all the many possibilities that lie before them to help them *to reach their potential, and to live a fulfilling life and ultimately flourish.*



## Mass Times

### **Masses for Sunday**

#### **Fernie:**

5pm Saturday &  
9am Sunday

Also:

#### **Sparwood:**

7pm Saturday &  
11am Sunday

#### **Elkford:**

4pm Sunday

### **Weekdays Mass**

There is Mass at Rocky Mountain Village this Wednesday September 11th at 11:00 am

The Sanctuary Lamp burns in honour of Pietro Aquila  
From his loving wife Dora Aquila and Family  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September

## **Registration for Catechism**

In the Parish we offer classes to our children to explain the faith to them, to let them experience prayer and to teach them about Christ's personal call to be his disciple. 'Catechism Classes' is so much more than learning Catechism. So if your child is in grade 1 through 7 (age 6 to 13) then please do register them for the classes. More information will be in future Newsletters. You may contact Regina Vinge at 250-423-9154. Catechism will begin Wednesday September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 3:45 pm at the Fernie Family Centre. The Church looks forward to teaching our young. Also, we are in need of one more Catechist. If you feel you can serve our church community in this way, please leave your name at the Parish Office or phone Regina Vinge personally. Thank you!

## **CWL Meeting**

The CWL Meeting will be Tuesday September 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Coffee Room. We will be discussing the details for the Fall Tea. We look forward to your input and creative ideas.

## **Fall Tea: Saturday September 14th**

The Fall Tea will take place on September 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am to 2:00pm. The cost is \$5.00. For children ages five and under there is no charge. Donations for the Bake Table and Grocery Raffle are greatly appreciated and can be brought in from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. There is also a White Elephant Table and donations for this can also be dropped off at the Church office Tuesday to Friday from 9:00am to 2:00pm. If there are any questions please call Celia at 250-430-7533. Please support the Fall Tea and help make it a success.

## **Fernie Family Garden**

Gardens and tea time go hand in hand. The Elk River Alliance Rain Garden Project is **September 14<sup>th</sup>**. Please stop by after your tea, to see what's happening in the garden located at the back of the Church. All are welcome!

If you have any old garden tools and shovels that you are no longer using or need or perhaps can help purchase new ones, the Parish would be very grateful to you. We will store the weeding tools and shovels in the garden shed.

## **Passing of Fr. Neil's Father**

It was with great sadness to hear of the death of Fr. Neil's father. (Fr. Neil is the priest at the Cathedral in Nelson.) Mr. Federico Lustado died after a stroke a week or so ago. His funeral was in the Philippines this weekend. We pray for the repose of the soul of Federico, and ask for the comfort of the Holy Spirit to be with Clorita his wife, and with Fr. Neil and his whole family.

## **Open to the Public**

Ginny is pleased to announce August 13<sup>th</sup> through to September 6<sup>th</sup> there has been 32 people whom have stopped in, to admire the pure beauty of the Church this summer. Many compliments and thank you's were given.

## **Ministries**

### **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September**

#### **Eucharistic Minister:**

Rob Lecavalier

#### **Reader:**

Patrice Oscienny

#### **Greeters:**

Patsy Caravetta & Frank Rambold

### **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September**

#### **Eucharistic Minister:**

Sharon Switzer

#### **Reader:**

Christine Fleming

#### **Greeters:**

Benny Mangone & Sam Caravetta

#### **Church cleaning 2 week starting Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September:**

P. Pace, A. Pace, S. Marcellus

#### **Finance – Collections:**

31<sup>st</sup> Aug/1st Sept ..... \$1951.49

Candle.....\$7.75

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

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

Given to Date..... \$5120.00

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*Diocesan Goal..... \$7,030.00*