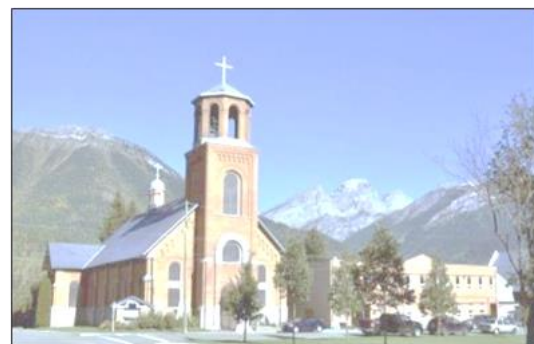


# Holy Family Parish, Fernie

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

2<sup>nd</sup> February 2020

## Feast of the Presentation of the Lord.

### *From the Parish*

#### **Feast of the Presentation of the Lord**

*Fr. David writes:* I was wrong last week in my sermon, we won't be hearing the Beatitudes in this week's gospel as the normal readings are replaced by special readings for the feast of the Presentation of the baby Jesus in the temple. This feast is celebrated forty days after Christmas but we don't often get a chance to celebrate it on a Sunday!

#### **Griz Days Parish Garage Sale Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> March**

Dear Parishioners, to enable the parish to have a garage sale start bringing in items to the office. Items may also be brought in the night before the garage sale from 6pm to 8pm on Friday night, 6<sup>th</sup> March. We will have a garage sale Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> March at the Fernie Family Centre from 10am to 4pm. Celia's pies will for sale, and hopefully there will be a selection of bake goods to choose from. Coffee, muffins and perhaps other items will be available for a donation. It is only the support of parishioners that cause parish events to happen, once again, thank you for your cooperation. With thanks, Celia Roccamatysi

#### **From the Catholic Women's League**

The CWL is selling a picture booklet as a fundraiser for the dishwasher. It includes pictures of our church with Psalms and Bible verses. Also shown on the back cover is the history of our parish. The price of these is \$15. An order form has been placed on the table in the vestibule of the church.

#### **CWL free luncheon for the lucky ones who are 50 and up**

There will be a free luncheon at the Fernie Family Centre on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February from 12:30pm to 1:30pm. There are only 50 seats available for anyone who is aged 50 and up, so please contact Rosanne Anselmo 250-423-7290 or the Parish hall at 250-423-6127 as soon as possible to have your name put on the list. Come and enjoy being part of our community and share the blessings we have.

### 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

#### **CWL Rosary Apostolate**

Wednesday at 1pm  
Holy Family Church

## **We Keep in our Prayers...**

This last week we had Charles Jason Roa's funeral here in the parish; we continue to pray for Jen and Nicole and all those who grieve the loss of such a young person. And many thanks to all those who turned up and helped out with Jason's funeral at relatively short notice. All the work people put in was much appreciated by many who were struggling with the death of Jason, especially the music.

We keep our neighbour Rev. Andrea Brennan from the Anglican and United churches in our prayers as she recovers from surgery.

## **Ensure All Candles are extinguished**

Just a little practical reminder: all the candles in the church must be extinguished when the church is empty. This means that the last person out must check that all the candles are blown out. We have had two incidents lately when candles have been left burning into the night. This must be avoided at all cost.

## **2020 Offertory Envelopes**

Parishioners can now pick up their 2020 offertory envelopes from entrance of the church. If you were not assigned a box number there are extras boxes available. We recommend you use them for income tax purposes. In order to update our Parish list, please put your full mailing address on the first envelope you use.

## ***From the Diocese***

## **From the Bishops of B.C. and Yukon**

Last week we made available copies of a pastoral letter written by the Bishops of Alberta on the issue of euthanasia and assisted suicide in Canada. Copies of this are still available. In addition to this we have also received a short statement from the seven bishops of B.C. and Yukon endorsing the Alberta Bishop's letter:

*Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:*

*At the annual BC & Yukon Bishops Meeting in November 2019, we reviewed Remaining True to Christ Now and at the Hour of our Death, a Pastoral Letter from the Catholic Bishops of Alberta and the Northwest Territories concerning the grave issue of euthanasia and assisted suicide in Canada. We agreed together that this Pastoral Letter reflects our concerns about the legalization of these practices in our country, and the recently proposed expansion of eligibility beyond people who are nearing the end of their lives. Accordingly, we fully endorse Remaining True to Christ Now and at the Hour of our Death as our own words on these matters, and urge you to read the Pastoral Letter and join us in upholding the dignity of each and every human life, from conception to its natural end.*

## **Ministries**

### **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February**

#### **Eucharistic Minister:**

Colin Lynch

#### **Reader:**

Billy-Anne Kowalski

#### **Greeters:**

Rob Lecavalier

#### **Altar Servers:**

Volunteer

### **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February**

#### **Eucharistic Minister:**

Geraldine Rocca

#### **Reader:**

Anne Majic

#### **Greeters:**

Sharon Switzer

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#### **Church cleaning:**

H. Binter & L. Campisi

#### **Finance – Collections:**

25<sup>th</sup> Jan/26<sup>th</sup> Jan .....\$843.05

Candles .....\$12.25

Envelope Expense..... \$5.00

#### **Pilgrimage of Faith**

New goal for 2020 Campaign

1<sup>st</sup> January – 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020

..... \$14,800

Received to date .....\$2045.34