Holy Family Parish

521 4th Avenue Fernie, British Columbia



Welcome!

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturdays - 5:00 PM

Rocky Mountain Village Wednesdays – 11:00 AM

Priest - Fr. Marian Korzeniowski for June 17-30, 2023

CONFESSIONS

Following Mass or by appointment

The righteous man walks in his integrity: His children are blessed after him. - Proverbs 20:7

Holy Family Parish and Family Centre

Mailing Address: PO Box 519, V0B 1M0

Phone: 250-423-6127

Website: <u>www.holyfamilyfernie.ca</u>

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesdays to Fridays - 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Office Administrator/Secretary:
Lucrecia Lynch

Prayer for the Week

We thank you our Father in Heaven for giving us a father here on earth.

Bless those who have taken upon themselves the responsibility of parenting. Strengthen them by your love to care and teach their children through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Congratulations!

To Fr. David John on his new appointed mission to Port McNeill. We wish you and Thumper all the best!

May new adventures come your way with many new friends to meet every day. Thank you, Father David and Thumper, for all the years you have spent with us.

Finance Report

Weekly Donations June 3, 2023

Actual: \$1,254.75

Budget: \$1,000.00

Difference: +\$254.75

Total Offerings YTD 2023

\$27,340.54

Pilgrimage of Faith 2023

As of May 31, 2023

Goal: \$21,650.00 Received: \$4,255.00

Difference: (\$17,395.00)

All your donations are greatly appreciated as expenses continue to rise due to inflation. There are new methods to use for donation including interact e-Transfer and SAG (Stewardship (Pre) Authorized Giving) by making your regular Sunday offerings each month by direct debit. Please call or email the parish office for more information.

Volunteer Schedule June 17, 2023

Liturgical Reader

Patrice Oscienny

Sacristan

Diane Slywka

June 24, 2023

Liturgical Reader

Theresa Cole-Smith

Sacristan

Lucrecia Lynch

Church Cleaners

June 12 - June 26

Grace Hughes &

Regina Vinge

News and Announcements



SAVE THE DATE

For: A Potluck Farewell Dinner for Father David

When: Saturday July 8th after Mass.

All parishioners are welcome to come.



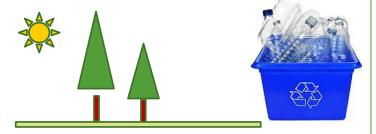
Help Needed



Are you interested in helping guide Holy Family Parish? We need individuals to sit on the parish council. If you have experience in finance, management, gardening, and governance and are willing to volunteer some time- we could use your help to guide us. To inquire, stop in at the office on Wednesdays.



Holy Family Parish would like to inform you of the ongoing fundraising recycling program. Everyone is welcome to participate and support the Fernie Family Garden. You can drop off pop/juice/beer and water bottles and cans anytime. Where: by the shed between the Church and the Family Centre. Thank you kindly for your donations.



Our Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal

Success in the eyes of God is not about the quantity or the quality of our material goods. Instead, it is about how we use these goods. Our appreciation goes out to all parishioners who have made a gift to Our Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal. The Diocesan goal this year is \$565,000.00, our parish goal is \$21,650.00. To date, we have received gifts totaling \$4,255.00 from our parishioners. We did not meet our goal last year or the year before. Please help us meet our goal this year and continue to respond in prayer and generosity.

For information on how to donate to our parish Pilgrimage of Faith goal, you can call the office or stop in and we can let you know of the many ways you can help Holy Family make our goal this year! Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Saint of the Week



St. Aloysíus Gonzaga was a sixteenth century Jesuit priest. He was born an Italian aristocrat and gave his life in caring for the sick people during an epidemic. Luigi Gonzaga was born in Castiglione, Italy. His first words were "Jesus and Mary." He was the first-born son and so was destined to inherit his father's title of Marauis. His father wanted him to become a soldier, but after developing a kidney disease when he was eight years old, he made the decision that he would take a vow of purity and enter religious life. Cardinal (Saint) Charles Borromeo gave him his first Holy Communion. Aloysius read stories of the Jesuits in their missionary endeavors, and he wanted to follow in their footsteps. His father and other family members opposed his desire to become a priest and for a time blocked him from doing so. But in November 1585, he formally renounced his inheritance, which due to his nobility had to be confirmed by the Emperor. He then became a Jesuit, but his ascetism and poor health plaqued him (kidney problems, skin problems, headaches and insomnia). A plague epidemic struck Rome in 1591, and Aloysius requested to work in the Jesuit hospital there. He personally carried plague victim into the hospital, cared for them, and prepared them for the final sacraments. This work caused him much suffering, because he was physically repulsed by the terrible sickness he was surrounded by. Aloysius eventually contracted the plague himself and died on June 21, 1591, at 23 years of age.