

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time. October 15, 2023

HOLY FAMILY PARISH

Mass Services for the Elk Valley

Holy Family Parish
Saturdays - 5:00 PM

Rocky Mountain Village
Wednesdays – 11:00 AM

St. Michael's Parish
Sparwood

Sundays - 11:00 AM

Mondays – 9:30 AM

Tuesdays – 7:00 PM

Thursdays – 9:30 AM

St. Bernard's Mission
Elkford

Sundays - 1:00 PM

Lilac Terrace
Sparwood

Fridays – 11:00 AM

The Holy Rosary is prayed
30 minutes before
Holy Mass

Confessions:
30 minutes before Mass
or by appointment



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Welcome

Pastor: Father Thomas Kakkaniyil

Secretary: Lucrecia Lynch

Office Hours:

Tuesday – Friday 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Announcements

Holy Family Parish



for Fr. Thomas

Hosted by CWL
Saturday, November 4
After Mass in the hall
bring a dish.
Contact: Celia Roccamatisi
(250) 430-7533

Children's Liturgy

Catechism Children

Wednesday, October 18th

Time: 3:30 PM

Everybody is welcome specially the children.



Pray the Rosary for peace in the world.

Saturday, October 14th

2:00 PM

Outside behind the Church



Pastor's Message. October 15, 2023

Dear Friends,

Importance of Holy Mass and reception of Holy Communion in our lives

I, Fr. Thomas Kakkaniyil, am a missionary priest of the Society of St. Thomas the Apostle, who worked in the mission diocese of Ujjain, M.P., India for the last 30 years and serving the Diocese of Nelson as a pastor for the past 14 years. All throughout my priestly life, I have celebrated Holy Mass and received Holy Communion every day. There are millions of people who have participated in and benefitted from attending Holy Mass in their lives. Attending Holy Mass and reception of holy communion nourishes and strengthens anyone who has real faith in the Lord. In every Holy Mass we celebrate the paschal mysteries of Jesus Christ in our lives. It is the celebration of Birth, life, public life of Jesus, the Celebration of the Passover as well as the agony of Jesus leading to His Crucifixion, death and Resurrection on the Third day. When we reflect on these mysteries, we realize that it is a part of our lives. Offering of Holy Mass for the dear and near ones on the important days of their lives as: marriage anniversaries, birthdays either of the dead or of the alive is the

Biggest gift we can offer to them. It is worthier than thousands of dollars we stock in our bank accounts for our lives, for our security and services.

God's blessings

Fr. Thomas Kakkaniyil, Pastor of Elk-valley parishes

1. I will be going to Seaton House of Prayer, Kelowna to attend the Priest's study days from October 9 to 13. It is mandatory for every priest who works in the Diocese of Nelson. So, there will be no services from October 9 to 13.
2. Let me thank Jim Britoya for donating his pressure cooker for my use in the kitchen.
3. Mass time for St. Bernard's Church Elkford on Sundays from October 8 will be at 1 pm instead of 4 pm. This will continue till summer. I am thankful for their unanimous opinion to help me to drive back in daylight.
4. I am thankful to all of you who are responding positively to my request of special donation towards the Pilgrimage Faith Appel. Remember, every dollar we collect above the diocesan goal is returned to the parish tax free. We can use them for any urgent need of the parish. Every other normal income we have in the parish is taxed 17.5% Cathedraticum.
5. Once we have completed one task, we will think of ways and means to keep our parishes green for us as well as for our children and grandchildren. God will help us if we ask, pray, and work together to achieve any goal.

October 14 – 20, 2023			
Saturday	October 14	Mass at 5:00 PM	Intention for Repose of the Soul of Helen Bachlet
Sunday	October 15	Mass at 11:00 AM	Intention for Repose of the Soul of Frank Trozzo Requested by: Rosa & Santo Rocca
Sunday	October 15	Mass at 1:00 PM	Intention for the Elk Valley Parishes
Monday	October 16	Mass at 9:30 AM	Intention for Health and Wellness: David Small Requested By: Zielinski Family
Tuesday	October 17	Mass at 7:00 PM	Intention for Health and Wellness: Arin Martins Requested By: Paula & Joe Martins
Wednesday	October 18	Mass at 11:00 AM at Rocky Mountain Village	Intention for Repose of the Soul of Helen Bachlet
Thursday	October 19	Mass at 9:30 AM	Intention for Health and Wellness: Anthony Zielinski Requested by: Zielinski Family
Friday	October 20	Mass at 11:00 AM at Lilac Terrace	Intention for Repose of the Soul of Helen Bachlet

Finance Report

Volunteer Schedule

Contributions for the week of September 30, 2023

Actual: \$480.00
Budget: \$1,000.00
Variance: (-\$520.00)

Total Contributions YTD
\$43,142.32

Pilgrimage of Faith

Goal: \$21,650.00

Received: \$9,265.00

Needed to reach goal: (\$12,384.31)

All of your donations are greatly appreciated. There are other methods to use for donation including e-Transfer and SAG (Stewardship (Pre) Authorized Giving.

October 14, 2023

Liturgical Reader
Angelika Pace

Sacristan
Diana Slywka

October 21, 2023

Liturgical Reader
Adele Minto

Sacristan
Lucrecia Lynch

Church Cleaners

October 16 – October 30

Angelika Pace, Sue Marcellus



CONFÉRENCE DES ÉVÊQUES CATHOLIQUES DU CANADA
CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS

**Statement by the Most Rev. William T. McGrattan,
Bishop of Calgary and CCCB President,
to the Catholic Faithful in Canada**

on the Recent Escalation of Conflict in the Holy Land

Over these last few days, the world has witnessed a rapid escalation of armed conflict in the Holy Land, with reports of a growing number of wounded or dead, including innocent civilians.

As the Holy Land is immersed in this violence and bloodshed, we remember that Jesus, the Son of God, who lived and walked there as Love Incarnate, through His teaching by word and deed, calls us as brothers and sisters to be always united by the bond of charity.

I invite the Catholic faithful in Canada to join other people of good will, here and around the world, in imploring God to move the hearts of those leaders engaged in the present conflict in order to deescalate the acts of terrorism, cease violence and war, and resume constructive efforts that are aimed at establishing lasting peace and concord. As we pray for peace, let us remember all the families and individuals suffering because of this most recent outbreak of violence.

As Christians we are compelled by the teachings and example of Jesus to pray for peace throughout the world. In a fraternal spirit of solidarity with Christian, Jewish, and Muslim brothers and sisters, let us join together in recalling God's desire for peace in the land that Jesus Christ called home.

12 October 2023