

Welcome to the Roman Catholic Parish of the Elk Valley



HOLY FAMILY PARISH FERNIE, BC

521 4th Avenue

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Mass Services

Saturday - 5:00 PM

Wednesday 12:00 Noon

ROCKY MOUNTAIN VILLAGE

Wednesday 11:00 AM

Confessions 30 minutes before Mass

Or by appointment.

Rosary 30 minutes prior to any Holy Mass

ST. MICHAELS'S PARISH SPARWOOD, BC

129 Centennial Square

Mailing Address:

PO Box 167, V0B 2G0

Parish Office: 250-425-2327

Pastor Office: 250-425-6444

Email: sparwood@nelsondiocese.org

Website: <https://stmichaelssparwood.org>

Mass Services

Sunday - 11:00 AM

Monday - 9:30 AM

Tuesday - 7:00 PM

Thursday - 9:30 AM

LILAC TERRACE

11:00 AM

The Holy

Rosary is prayed 30 minutes before Mass.

Confessions 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment.

ST. BERNARD'S MISSION ELKFORD, BC

800 Natal Road

Mailing Address:

PO Box 167, V0B 2G0

C/O St. Michaels Parish

Parish Office: 250-865-2711

Website: <https://stmichaelssparwood.org>

Mass Service

Sunday - 1:00 PM

Pastor: Fr. Thomas Kakkaniyil

elkvalley.pastor@nelsondiocese.org

Fernie Office Hours

Wednesdays to Fridays

9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Bookkeeper

Tuesdays 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Pastor's Message: February 4, 2024

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Liturgy of the Eucharist or the Offertory comes after the word of God.

This is the third part of the Holy Mass. After the word of God all sit in silence or with music by choir. This time we offer what we have brought to the church for Holy Mass. In the past, each one used to bring food or drinks or money to be offered to the Lord. Gradually, just wine and bread were brought to the altar. At present the ushers take collection from the participants and offers them to the priest who offers them to the Lord before the bread and wine.

While we sit in silence, we can offer our worries or sorrows or happiness of any type to the Lord. Holy Mass is offering of ourselves and our joys and sorrows to the Lord. We might have experiences dishonesty or cheating from our closest and best friends or partners, and other times, we ourselves do the same with others. Why so? We are humans with our own personal interests and problems. Whatever they are, we can offer them to the Lord and He will sanctify us. At the end, the Ushers will offer the offerings of people to the Priest and e thereby accepts and offers them to the Lord.

Thereafter, he prepares the bread and offers it to the Lord; as fruit of the earth and work of hu-man hands, that it will become for us the bread of life.

Response: Blessed be God for ever.

Then the priest prepares wine pouring few drops of water, with the prayer: By the mystery of this water and wine, may we come to share in the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our humanity. He offers them with the prayer: We offer you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink. Response: Blessed be God for ever.

Thereafter the priest purifies with water: Wash me, O lord, from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. Then the prayer, Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father. The priest and the participants, together offer the Sacrifice.

Response: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Thereafter is the **Prayer over the offerings of the appropriate day**. "The Eucharistic Prayer" is the next.

Participation (by responding to the prayers of the priest and singing the music is very

important) If God gave you a beautiful voice, sing with it. If God gave you a horrible voice, sing any way. If you sing well or play an instrument, consider joining the choir or music ministry. Whether you sing or not, please respond to every prayer recited during the Mass. That will help you to discard any distraction during Mass. *Fr. Thomas Kakkaniyil.*

Information: For any correspondence, please use

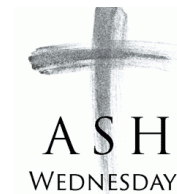
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1. Pope Francis announced the start of a Year of Prayer on Sunday in preparation for the Catholic Church's 2025 Jubilee Year.

In his Angelus address, the pope said that a Year of Prayer starting on Jan. 21 will be "a year dedicated to rediscovering the great value and absolute need for prayer in one's personal life, in the life of the Church, and in the world."

"Dear brothers and sisters, the coming months will lead us to the opening of the Holy Door, with which we will begin the jubilee," Pope Francis said from the window of the Apostolic Palace.

"I ask you to intensify your prayer to prepare us to live this event of grace well and to experience the power of God's hope. That is why today we begin a Year of Prayer.



Fernie on Feb 12 at 12 noon

Sparwood February 14 at 7:00 PM.

Elkford, February 18 at 1 pm.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 4 Mass at 5:00 PM at Holy Family Repose of the soul of Helen Smith
 Requested by Angelika Pace

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FINANCE REPORT

Contributions for the week of
January 20, 2024

Actual: \$984.70

Budget: \$1,000.00

Variance: (-\$15.30)

Total Contributions YTD

\$3,836.76

Pilgrimage of Faith

As of December 2023.

Goal: \$21,650.00

Received: \$16,379.67

Variance: -\$5,270.33

e-Transfer for Holy Family

[etranfer.hfpfernie@nelsondiocese.o](mailto:etranfer.hfpfernie@nelsondiocese.org)

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All your donations are greatly appreciated. There are other methods to use for donation including e-Transfer and SAG (Stewardship (Pre) Authorized Giving. Enquire at the office for more information. Thank you for your kindness.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

February 3, 2024

Liturgical Reader

Sacristan

Angelika Pace & Marilyn Bruschetta

Lucrecia Lynch

Feb 10, 2024

Liturgical Reader

Sacristan

Theresa Cole-Smith & Adele Minto

Bob Sumka

Church Cleaners

February 5 to February 19

Regina Vinge & Volunteer

With the intention to achieve our donation goals

Holy Family Church is happy to share the QR know as Quick Respond Code

This allows us to collect donations paperless and contactless.

Instructions:

- Please find the displayed QR around
- Use the camera in your electronic device.
- It would read the code and prompt you to follow instructions to complete the donation.

Thank you in advance for your support.



Offering Envelopes Available



Donation envelopes are available inside the church on top of the side table. Please contact the parish office if you need further assistance.

Please bring palm leaves

A basket is available inside the Church on the table.



CWL Announcements

Development and Peace Lenten Soup and Bun

Dates

Feb 21, Feb 28

Mar 06, Mar 13 and Mar 20

Served from 12:30 pm to 2:00 pm

Suggested donation \$10.00.

All profits go to Development and Peace

For more information contact Theresa Cole-Smith at (250) 430 7559



Free Tickets for Dinner Theatre

Available at the Fernie Family Centre-Parish Office.

NEW BEGININGS

A whimsical play brought to you by
Fernie Arts Theatre Ensemble Society

Free Dinner Theatre
Only 100 Tickets Available
Menu is: Lasagna, Salad, dessert and beverages

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH
DINNER SERVED: 6:00/PLAY STARTS: 7:15

FERNIE FAMILY CENTRE 521-4TH AVENUE
TICKETS AVAILABLE AT FERNIE FAMILY CENTRE
TUESDAY TO FRIDAY 10:00 TO 1:00 OR CALL 250-423-6127

Funded by grant monies from the New Horizon for Seniors Projects (Canada)

CWL Monthly Meeting

Feb 13, 2024, at 7:00 PM.

All women are invited to join our meeting.

Contact Regina Vinge at (423) 91-54



Discerning a Vocation to Permanent Diaconate?

The Diocese of Nelson is hosting an online information session, for Catholic men aged 35 to 60 who are interested in learning more about being a deacon. If you feel God is calling you to become a permanent deacon, consider attending an **Online Information Session:**

6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

Monday, February 12th, 2024

You are encouraged to attend with your spouse (if applicable).

Register no later than Monday, February 5th, 2024

by emailing rod.attwell@nelsondiocese.org

A link to join the online session will be sent once you are registered.



Through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and

centered on Jesus Christ, Grief to Grace helps those who have endured neglect, physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse in their family of origin, their community, from spouses/partners, and/or coworkers or supervisors, find healing and journey to wholeness. The next retreat in Canada is May 14 - 18, 2024 in Kelowna. For more information, please email griegtograncelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.

Try Claritas

The Catholic Pray Group, by Autistic People for Autistic People.

<https://www.claritasprayergroup.com/>

And if you are not Autistic but want to help,

Try the Argent League!