

# Welcome to the Roman Catholic Parishes of the Elk Valley



## HOLY FAMILY PARISH FERNIE, BC

521 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue

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Pastor Office: 250-425-6444

Email: [fernien@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:fernien@nelsondiocese.org)

Website:

<https://hollyfamilyfernien.ca>

Pastor's Email:

[elkvalley.pastor@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:elkvalley.pastor@nelsondiocese.org)

**Pastor: Thomas Kakkaniyil**

### Mass Times

Saturday - 4:00 PM

Sunday 11:00 AM

Wed - Noon

ROCKY MOUNTAIN VILLAGE

Wed -11 am

Confessions 30 minutes before Mass  
or by appointment.

Rosary 30 minutes prior to any Holy  
Mass

Finance Council: Colin Lynch,  
Angelika Pace, and Wayne Warner.

Property Manager: John Pallone.

## 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](mailto:sparwood@nelsondiocese.org)

Website: <https://stmichaelssparwood.org>

Pastor's Email:

[elkvalley.pastor@nelsondioces.org](mailto:elkvalley.pastor@nelsondioces.org)

### Mass Times

Saturday - 6:00 PM

Sunday - 9:00 AM

Monday - 6:00 PM

Tuesday 6:00 PM

Thursday 9:00 AM

Fist Fridays only 9:00 AM

Adoration & Benediction.

Friday - 11:00 AM

Mass at Lilac Terrace

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 -425-2327

Website: <https://stmichaelssparwood.org>

Pastor's email:

[elkvalley.pastor@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:elkvalley.pastor@nelsondiocese.org)

### Mass Service

Sunday - 1:30 PM

Rosary is prayed 30 minutes before  
Mass.

Confessions after Mass or by  
appointment.

### Fernie Office Hours

Wednesdays to Fridays

9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

**Bookkeeper**

Tuesdays 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Easter Sunday. *Divine Mercy Sunday.*

Pastor's Message – April 20, 2025.

It was so sad to hear the death of our dear Pope Francis. Let us remember him in our prayers. Grant that he who was united with your Son in a death like his, may also be one with him in his Resurrection.

I am thankful to the Lord Jesus that I was able to do all the services of the Easter week without any change or difficulty. Actually I had scheduled the Easter week celebrations before my surgery and I never thought that I will be so weak after my surgery. Perhaps, I may be the only priest who did multiple services of the Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil services. Our Lord gave me enough strength to hold all the services without any difficulty.

At the last moment, when I wanted to take the medical leave, no priest was available to replace me. So I had no other option to the Easter Services as was scheduled. Thank god, everything went well.



On May 12, Monday all the priests of the diocese will be away for the annual retreat for the

priests at Revelstoke together with the Bishop for a week. I will be back on May 17, Saturday. Bishop Bart will be the preacher for the retreat. Keep us in your prayers.

### **Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal for 2025**

As a part of the diocesan Charitable fund raising, Elk Valley parishes have prescribed target. If we plan to collect more than the prescribed target, we should submit a project for the parish stating all the details and get prior permission from the diocesan office. Then, the surplus amount will be tax free from the diocese. Targets for:

Holy Family Church, Fernie is \$17,050/=

St. Michael's Church, Sparwood is \$ 6,150/=

St. Bernard's Church, Elkford is \$ 1,700/=

## **Dear parishioners of Holy Family Church, Fernie,**



I am happy that we had almost reached our goal for the pilgrimage of Faith, 2024.

For the year 2025, our pilgrimage goal is \$17,050/=.

If we want to keep the Family Centre hall for our use, we have two projects to complete.

(1) Purchase of Hot water tank for Holy Family Centre \$ 3,000/= and Hot water tank for the church \$ 1,300/= Total expenses for the hot water tanks \$ 4,300/=

(2) Repair of hall floor hallways for \$ 23,000/=

(3) The Portico of the Holy Family Church, repair \$ 110,000/=

All these are the future projects we should think of completing with in two years, if possible.

If all of us think that we should keep the hall, we need to collect \$ 4,300/= in addition to the Pilgrimage of Faith. Then this will be free from Cathedraticum.

This year, let us have the peripheral repair of the church portico which may cost us \$ 2,000/=. Once we complete these projects, we can try to collect funds for the repair of the Church Portico and raise \$110,000/=

### **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, April 26. @ Holy Family for all the souls in purgatory.

Sunday, April 27. @ Holy Family for M. S. T.

Wed, April 30 @ Rocky Mountain Village for M. S. T.

Wednesday, Apr 30 @ Holy Family. For all the souls in purgatory.

## Dears Friend of Holy Family

DATE _____	
PAY TO THE ORDER OF _____	\$ _____
DOLLARS _____	
MEMO _____	

If you wish to donate by cheque, please ensure it is payable to **Holy Family Parish** and in the memo line, specify if it is to POF, Development and Peace, Funeral Service etc.

## Volunteers to clean the Church

Please email us at [fernie@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:fernie@nelsondiocese.org)



## Fernie Catholic Women League



CWL meeting every second Tuesday of each month.

Fernie Family Centre (Hall)

## Sacraments

We are happy to assist you. Contact the Parish Office via email



[fernie@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:fernie@nelsondiocese.org) and we will reply to your email request accordingly

## Gathering after Mass on Sundays



**No Coffee and Light Snacks until beginning of May 2025**

## The Fernie Family Garden Recycling Program

Holy Family Parish would like to inform you about the outgoing fundraising recycling program. Place items by the shed.

Everyone is welcome to participate and support the Fernie Family Garden.

Beer/Pop/Juice/Water



Bottles and Cans

Where: Shed beside the church.

## Websites to be Connected

Diocese of Nelson: [Click Here.](#)



Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops  
[Click Here](#)

Daily Mass readings and the Breviary prayers for the hours throughout the day. [Click here](#)

*Thank you*

For your continuous support



## Donate to Holy Family

### Finance Report

Contributions for the week of

April 5, 2025

Actual: \$803.53

Budget: \$1,000.00

Variance: (-\$196.47)

Total Contributions YTD

\$18,310.25

e-Transfer for Holy Family

[etransfer.hfpfernle@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:etransfer.hfpfernle@nelsondiocese.org)



## Donate to Holy Family Pilgrimage of Faith



[etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org)

Total Contributions YTD \$4,032.00

Under: \$13,018.00

2025 POF Goal \$17,050.00



## Volunteer Schedule

Saturday, April 26, 2025, 4:00 PM

Liturgical Reader

Patrice Oscienny

Sacristan

Bob Sumka & Volunteer

Sunday, April 27, 2025, 11:00 AM

Liturgical Reader

Angelika Pace

Sacristan

Volunteer

Saturday, May 3, 2025, 4:00 PM

Liturgical Reader

Adele Minto

Sacristan

Diane Slywka

Sunday, May 4, 2025, 11:00 AM

Liturgical Reader

Marilyn Bruschetta

Sacristan

Volunteer (s)

Church Cleaners

April 28 to May 12, 2025

Angelika Pace & Sue Marcellus

## From Nelson Diocese