

# Welcome to the Roman Catholic Parishes of the Elk Valley



## HOLY FAMILY PARISH FERNIE, BC

501 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue

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Pastor Office: 250-425-6444

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

Website:

<https://holyfamiyfernien.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

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 - No Mass

Tuesday 6:00 PM

Thursday 9:00 AM

Lilac Terrace

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

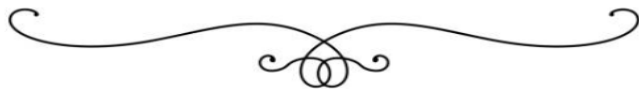
January 11, 2026.



## Rooted in Trust in Christ

"And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age" (Matthew 28:20). Finding ultimate confidence in the words "I am with you always" can be a powerful source of strength and guidance in your faith encounters. It is an absolute trust in Christ's presence and promise. Such a trust will assure you peace and confidence in the midst of uncertainty and challenges. It will also help you to live a committed family life; serve people with confidence and assurance, knowing that Christ is always with you. Trusting in Christ's presence involves reflecting on Scriptural promises, praying with confidence and serving with faith. Finding confidence in Christ's promise involves trusting in His words, seeking guidance and relying on His presence. By trusting in Christ's presence and promise, you can find peace in uncertainty, deepen your faith, and serve and live with confidence, ultimately recognizing the power and significance of His words, "I am with you always."

How often do I put my full trust in the presence and words of Lord Jesus Christ?



Dear Friends,  
When I came as the pastor of the Elk Valley parishes, we had three Masses in each parishes on weekends. As a missionary priest, I had increased those Masses to five masses instead of three. At present the total number of people attend the weekend Masses have almost doubled. I was offering these five Masses for all the Solemnities as Christmas, New Year, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter. Many of the priests from East Kootney Deanery think that it is too much for any priest. On this third year too, I have celebrated Christmas with you with five Masses.

On Christmas Eve Mass and morning Mass at Fernie had almost 450 attendees. Christmas Eve Mass and Christmas Morning Mass at for Christmas Day Mass had almost 95 attendees. Christmas day Mass for Elkford had almost 40 people.

**Weekend Services will continue as they are scheduled.**

### Proposed Holy Week Services for the year 2026:

Holy Thursday Mass at Sparwood in the Evening  
Good Friday Prayers and Stations of the Cross at 2 pm at Sparwood

Good Friday Prayers and Stations of the Cross at 4 pm in Fernie  
Easter Vigil Mass at Fernie at sunset

Easter Mass at Sparwood at 10 am  
Easter Mass at Elkford at 12 noon



**Holy Family is happy to Baptize**

**Stella Maris Esguerra**

Daughter of Hyzel Esguerra and Annalyn Nicolas

&

**Candice Maple M. Satorre**

Daughter of Bryan Louie Y. Satorre and Roverlyn R. Mantalaba

**Saturday, January 10  
@ 4: PM**

## Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 10. @ Holy Family for all the souls in purgatory

Sunday, January 11. @ Holy Family for M. S. T.

Wed, January 14. @ Rocky Mountain Village for M. S. T.

## Coffee and Light Snacks

After 11 am, Sunday Mass

**Sunday, January 11<sup>th</sup>**

All Welcome



## Proposed Christmas and New Year for 2026

Christmas Eve Mass at Fernie at 4 pm  
Christmas Day Mass at Sparwood at 10 am  
Christmas Day Mass at Elkford at 12 noon  
New Year Mass for 2026-27

December 31st at Fernie at 4 pm

January 1st at Sparwood Mass at 10 am

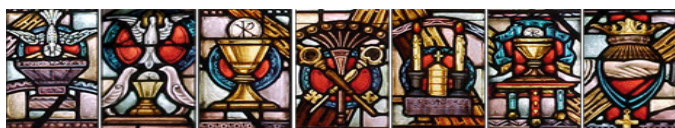
January 1st at Elkford Mass at 12 noon

If you are unable to attend the Mass in your Parish Church, you can always attend the Mass in any of the three churches, at your convenience.

Holy Family Parish, Fernie is blessed to have another baptism of Amiel Jaden, son of Albert Mallari and Danielle Mallari on January 31, Saturday at 4 pm

## Sacraments

We are happy to assist you. Contact the Parish Office via email [fernien@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:fernien@nelsondiocese.org) and we will reply to your email request accordingly.



## Fernie Catholic Women League. Next Meeting.



Second Tuesday of each month  
7:00 PM. Church's Hall

## 2026 Sunday Missals Available



Missals for 2026 are available in the church or in the parish office. A donation of \$6.00 is welcome.

## 2026 Offering Envelopes



Please find donation envelopes inside the church.

Please

inform the parish office if you would like to have a donation envelope box number.

## Dear Visitors and New Parishioners

Please ensure to add your contact information with your donations for tax receipts purposes and in order to keep our parish list updated. Thank You.



## Holy Family 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 Holy Family.

Beer/Pop/Juice/Water

Bottles and Cans

Where: Shed beside the church.

### Finance Report

Contributions for the week of

January 4, 2026

Actual: \$1,959.12

Budget: \$1,000.00

Variance: (+959.12)

Total Contributions YTD

\$2,892.05

e-Transfer for Holy Family

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



Thank you  
for your donation

### Holy Family Pilgrimage of Faith



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Total Contributions YTD 2026)

2026 POF Goal TBD



### Volunteer Schedule

Saturday, January 10, 2026, 4:00 PM

#### **Liturgical Reader**

Patrice Oscienny

#### **Sacristan**

Volunteer (s)

Sunday, January 11, 2026, 11:00 AM

#### **Liturgical Reader**

Marilyn Bruschetta

#### **Sacristan**

Volunteer (s)

Saturday, January 17, 2026, 4:00 PM

#### **Liturgical Reader**

Anne Majic & Hamaica Tabamo

#### **Sacristan**

Diane Slywka

Sunday, January 18, 2026, 11:00 AM

#### **Liturgical Reader**

Angelika Pace

#### **Sacristan**

Volunteer (s)

### Church Cleaners

January 5, 26 to Jan 19, 26

Regina Vinge & Volunteer

### Tax receipts

Please ensure that your contact information is up to date for tax receipt purposes. Thank you for your continued support. Please email us at



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