

# Welcome to the Roman Catholic Parishes of the Elk Valley



## HOLY FAMILY PARISH FERNIE, BC

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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

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

February 20, 2026.

## Dear Friends,

Holy Mother Church invites us once again into the sacred season of Lent: forty days set apart for prayer, fasting and almsgiving as we prepare our hearts for the celebration of the Lord's passion, Death and Resurrection. Following the example of Our Lord Jesus Christ, who fasted for forty days in the desert, we are called to deeper conversation, repentance from sin, and renewed fidelity to the Gospel.

Lent is a privileged time of grace in which we examine our consciences, seek the mercy of God through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and grow in holiness through acts of sacrifices and charity. Through prayer, we draw closer to Christ; through fasting, we discipline our hearts and detach from worldly comforts; through almsgiving, we practice true Christian charity towards those in need.

Let us embrace these sacred days with humility and devotion, making time for the Holy Mass, Eucharistic adoration, the Stations of the Cross, and personal prayer.

May this penitential season lead us to a sincere conversion of heart so that we may celebrate joy of Easter renewed in faith, hope, charity and love.

## Information:

It is mandatory for all the faithfuls to observe lenten fast on Ash Wednesday as well as Good Friday. Either you can have no food for 24 hours, or one food within 24 hours or two or three very small meals in 24 hours. It's your health and commitment to your Faith in the Lord. You can repeat it on all Fridays of Lent, if you like. You can have abstinence of meat or wine or another food for rent.

### 1. Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal

Holy Family Church, Fernie is \$ 16,500/=

*Thank you for your continued support.*

2. Reconciliation services for Lent: March 4 Wednesday at 12 noon at Holy Family Church.

3. There is one Candidate for RCIA, this year. **Marilyn Bruschetta**, from Holy Family Church, Fernie; Fernie will have the rite of Elect on Saturday, Feb 21, at 4 pm Mass.

4. I was trying to have a proper Parish Council in Fernie having at least 15 members, representing the whole parish of 150 people. So far, I have received just 6 applications. If I am able to have more members, then we will have a formal Parish Council. If we are unable to have more members, then we will have a nominal Parish Council. It's up to you to decide.

## Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 21. @ Holy Family for the Wedding Anniversary of Mike and Butch Coultry. Requested by Mike Coultry.

Sunday, February 22. @ Holy Family for the intention of Sacred Heart of Jesus & Immaculate Heart of Mary. Requested by Maria Goncalves.

Wed, February 25. @ Rocky Mountain Village for Holy Family for the intention of Saint Michael & All Saints. Requested by Maria Goncalves.

## Welcome all to Coffee and Light Snacks



### Funded by donations

After 11 am, Sunday Mass Coffee after the 11 o'clock Sunday Mass will resume May 3rd and continue May 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st, and June 7th.



Parish Council Volunteers/Form

Council Member

[Request for Parish Council Volunteers](#)

[January 2026.docx](#)

Catechism Lessons Available  
Contact Regina Vinge  
[rmvinge@gmail.com](mailto:rmvinge@gmail.com)  
(250) 423- 9154

### From Fernie CWL

The Stations of the Cross Schedule  
Holy Family  
Everyone is welcome

Thu, Feb 26 at 5 pm  
Thu, Marc 5 at 5 pm

Soup and Bun dates will be available soon.

### Diocese of Nelson Letter – Tumbler Ridge

[Tumbler Ridge Tragedy Feb 2026.pdf](#)

Catholic Men's Conference  
[2026 Spring Catholic Men's Conference.pdf](#)

### 2026 Sunday Missals Available



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

### 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.

### 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



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

### Fernie Catholic Women League Meeting.



Second Tuesday of each month @ 7 PM

Church's hall

All women are 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 ongoing 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

February 15, 2026

Actual: \$1,708.97

Budget: \$1,000.00

Variance: (+708.97)

Total Contributions YTD

\$11,440.41

e-Transfer for Holy Family

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



Thank you  
for your donation

### Holy Family Pilgrimage of Faith



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

2026

POF Goal \$16, 500.00



### Volunteer Schedule

Saturday, February 21, 2026, 4:00 PM

#### **Liturgical Reader**

Patrice Oscienny

#### **Sacristan**

Volunteer

Sunday, February 22, 2026, 11:00 AM

#### **Liturgical Reader**

Angelika Pace

#### **Sacristan**

Volunteer (s)

Saturday, February 28, 2026, 4:00 PM

#### **Liturgical Reader**

Anne Majic & Hamaica Tabamo

#### **Sacristan**

Diane Slywka

Sunday, March 1, 2026, 11:00 AM

#### **Liturgical Reader**

Marilyn Bruschetta

#### **Sacristan**

Volunteer (s)

### Church Cleaners

February 16, to March 2, 2026

Marilyn Gareau & Maria Scarpelli