

Welcome to the Roman Catholic Parishes of the Elk Valley



HOLY FAMILY PARISH
FERNIE, BC

501 4th Avenue

Mailing Address:

PO Box 519, V0B 1M0

Parish Office: 250-423-6127

Pastor Office: 250-425-6444

Email: fernie@nelsondiocese.org

Website:

<https://holyfamilyfernie.ca>

Pastor's Email:

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

Website: <https://stmichaelssparwood.org>

Pastor's Email:

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

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

March 8, 2026.

Living Water:

The encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman reveals a God who seeks us long before we ever think to seek Him.

Jesus waits at the well in the heat of the day, entering the dry and weary places of human life. He meets her not with judgment but with a gentle invitation that awakens her heart. She arrives burdened by her past and the quiet ache of loneliness, yet Jesus receives her with a tenderness that restores her dignity. By naming her wounds, He does not shame her; He frees her from the weight she has carried for so long.

When He speaks of living water, He offers the Holy Spirit—the only gift capable of satisfying the deepest thirst for love, belonging, and purpose. Her transformation unfolds quietly but powerfully. The woman who once avoided others becomes a joyful witness, running to share the hope she has found.

This encounter reminds us that Christ meets us in our ordinary routines and hidden struggles. He knows our fears, our stories, and our longing for renewal. And He continues to offer living water—grace that heals, refreshes, and sends us forth with renewed purpose

Information:

1. Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal
Holy Family Church, Fernie is \$ 16,500.00
2. Bishop Gregory had a meeting with all the priests on Monday March 2, at 3 pm. He has thanked God and all of us for our prayers. He seems to be good and healthy.
3. Fernie Parish Council meeting
March 11, Wednesday at 12. 15 pm in the parish office.

There are six persons who have submitted their applications. Before the first Parish Council meeting, anyone can submit application and join it. Since this is the first meeting, it may last for 30 to 45 minutes. Be kind enough to be present, please.

Easter week schedule

Holy Family Fernie

Holy Thursday. April 2 at 7.30 pm.

Note: Holy Thursday Service in Fernie is for all the three Parishes.

Good Friday. April 3 at 4 pm

Easter Sunday April 5, at 10 am

St. Michael's Sparwood

Good Friday. April 3 at 2 pm

Easter Vigil. April 4, Sparwood at 7.30 pm

Note: This service is for is for all the three parishes since these two services are conducted after sunset.

St. Bernard's Elkford

Easter Sunday. April 5, at 12.30 pm

All the cluster parishes have one common service, in one of the three parishes, due to late service.

It is mandatory to attend the Easter Week services. Try your best to be present.

4. How to receive the Sacrament of Confession:

Each person may personally examine his or her conscience, in silence. When you are done, approach the priest and say: Bless me father, for I have sinned. Wait for the blessing from the priest. Tell him, when you had the last confession and tell the sins committed, there after. Listen well of the penance and get the absolution. There after thank him and spend some time in the church fulfilling the penance. Go home in peace of mind and have a joyful and peaceful Easter Celebration

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 7. @ Holy Family for the repose of Bonnie Ann.

Sunday, March 8. @ Holy Family for the special intentions for M. G.

Wed, March 11. @ Rocky Mountain Village for the special intentions of M. G.

Catholic Women's League Presents Lenten Soup and Bun



Wednesdays February 25, March 4, 11, 18, 25

From 11:30 until 1:30

Fernie Family Centre 521-4th Ave.

Dine in or Take out

Minimum donation \$10 all proceeds to

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Parish Council Volunteers/Form

Council Member

[Request for Parish Council Volunteers
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Catechism Lessons Available

Contact Regina Vinge

rmvinge@gmail.com

(250) 423- 9154

CWL Fernie Meeting

Thursday, March 10, 2026



7:00 PM in the hall.
All women are welcome to join.

Sacraments

We are happy to assist you. Contact the



Parish Office via email

fernief@nelsondiocese.org and we will reply to your email request accordingly.

2025 TAX RECEIPTS

2025 tax receipts have been mailed out on

February 25, 2026

Please contact the Parish office if you have any questions or concerns.

Sparwood

Reconciliation services for Children in on March 9, at 3.30 pm

Creston, Kimberly and Radium

Reconciliation service in Creston on March 10, Tuesday at 6.30 pm; March 24, Tuesday at Kimberly at 7 pm. I will be attending these two services.

East Kootenay Deanery Lenten Pilgrimage:

Join us to a pilgrimage to Radium (St. Joseph's Church) on Thursday, **March 12th.**

1 pm Stations of the Cross; 1.45 pm Confession; 2.30 pm Mass followed by refreshments. I will be gone. There will be no Mass in Sparwood. Share a vehicle and have prayers together as groups.

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

March 1, 2026

Actual: \$1,913.47

Budget: \$1,150.00

Variance: (+763.47)

Total Contributions YTD

\$14,367.29

e-Transfer for Holy Family

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Holy Family Pilgrimage of Faith



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2026

POF Goal \$16, 500.00



Volunteer Schedule

Saturday, March 7, 2026, 4:00 PM

Liturgical Reader
Volunteer

Sacristan
Volunteer

Sunday, March 8, 2026, 11:00 AM

Liturgical Reader
Angelika Pace
Sacristan
Volunteer (s)

Saturday, March 14, 2026, 4:00 PM

Liturgical Reader
Volunteer

Sacristan
Diane Slywka

Sunday, March 15, 2026, 11:00 AM

Liturgical Reader
Marilyn Bruschetta

Sacristan
Volunteer (s)

Church Cleaners

March 2, to March 16, 2026

Regina Vinge and Volunteer