

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: fernien@nelsondiocese.org

Website:

<https://holyfamilyfernien.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.

Farish Council Chair: Sharon Hecker

Parish Council Vice Chair: Frank
Galway

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

Tuesdays to Fridays

9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Bookkeeper

Tuesdays 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

May 3, 2026.

Way back in 1975 a fellow named Gary Dahl lost his job at an advertising agency in San Francisco. His bills began to mount up, and he couldn't find any work. But he was a fellow who could think outside the box. Dahl came up with an absurd way to make a lot of money fast. He invented the Pet Rock. It was such a crazy idea that it took the country by storm. Of course, the pet rocks were not just plain old rocks.

Most of them were round smooth river rocks. But that wasn't the thing that made them popular. The key was in the packaging. When you bought a Pet Rock, you weren't so much buying a rock but buying a series of gimmicks. The Pet Rock came in a box resembling the boxes people used to get when they bought gerbils or turtles at the local pet store. It even had air holes for the rock to breathe through, and bits of wood shaving to keep it comfortable. Inside the packaging was an instruction pamphlet which gave "feeding" and other instructions to make sure the Pet Rock was well cared for.

The booklet even gave a lineage for each rock, much like a fancy purebred dog, Of course, many of the rocks, unsurprisingly, had been part of the Pyramids, the Great Wall of China, etc. The pamphlet even taught people how to teach their Pet Rock to obey commands – the best ones were: "stay" "lay down" "sit" and if you wanted to get really fancy... "play dead." It was a strange fad, an absurd fad, because everyone knows that rocks don't do anything. They are just there, wherever they might be.

Information

1. Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal target for Holy Family Church, Fernie is \$ 16,500/=
2. Parish Finance meeting
Wednesday, May 6, 2026 @ Noon
3. All priests working in the diocese of Nelson, together with Bishop Gregory Bittman will be attending a retreat or Prayer week from May 11 to May 15 at Revelstoke. Keep us in your prayers. *Fr. Thomas.*

Thank You

A big thank you to the volunteers who refinished the two front oak doors and the side oak door on the church.



Looking for 2 volunteers to clean the front garden at the church whenever convenient.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 2, 2026. @ Holy Family for the repose of the soul of Filomena Pallone requested by Sue and John Pallone.

Sunday, May 3, 2026. @ Holy Family for the repose of the soul Clea Espera requested by Rosalinda Pukalla and family.

Wednesday, May 6, 2026. @ Rocky Mountain Village, for M. S. T.

Welcome all to Coffee and Light Snacks

Funded by donations

After 11 am, Sunday Mass

Sunday, May 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st.

June 7th, 14th.



Parish Volunteer Form Available inside the Church. Everyone is welcome.



Sacraments

We are happy to assist you. Contact the Parish Office via email fernie@nelsondiocese.org and we will reply to your email request accordingly.



CWL Fernie Meeting

Every second Tuesday of each month.



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

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.

Parish Council Volunteers/Form

Council Member

Request for Parish Council Volunteers January 2026.docx

Dear Parishioners

Please ensure to update your contact information. Thank You.



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Finance Report

Contributions for the week of

April 26, 2026

Actual: \$1,390.07

Budget: \$1,150.00

Variance: (+\$250.00)

Total Contributions YTD

\$26,419.80

e-Transfer for Holy Family

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Thank you
for your donation

Volunteer Schedule

Saturday, May 2, 2026, 4:00 PM

Liturgical Reader

Anne Majic & Hamaica Tabamo

Sacristan

Diane Slywka

Sunday, May 3, 2026, 11:00 AM

Liturgical Reader

Marilyn Bruschetta

Sacristan

Volunteer

Saturday, May 9, 2026, 4:00 PM

Liturgical Reader

Colin Lynch

Sacristan

Lucrecia Lynch

Sunday, May 10, 2026, 11:00 AM

Liturgical Reader

Angelika Pace

Sacristan

Volunteer (s)

Church Cleaners

April 27, 2026, to May 11, 2026

Regina Vinge & Volunteer



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Pre-Authorized Giving Form

[POF 2026 Appeal Brochure Fillable.pdf](#)



Total Contributions YTD 2026

As per March 31, 2026

\$2,617.00

POF Goal \$16, 500.00