

Welcome to the Roman Catholic Parishes of the Elk Valley



HOLY FAMILY PARISH FERNIE, BC

501 4th Avenue

Mailing Address:

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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.

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 17, 2026.

Beloved brothers and sisters in Christ,

Sanctuary is the most important part of the church with Altar, Tabernacle, Lecterns, Bible. As we gather each week, I invite you to reflect more deeply on the **sacredness of our church sanctuary**. This holy space is not simply a building or a meeting hall. It is the dwelling place of the **Real Presence** of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Because of this profound mystery, the sanctuary becomes a place where heaven touches earth, where God draws near to His people in love.



When we enter the church, we step into a space set apart—consecrated for worship, prayer, and encounter with the divine. Our gestures of reverence, our silence, our genuflection before the tabernacle are not empty rituals. They are acts of love that acknowledge the One who waits for us with a humble and merciful heart.

In a world filled with noise and distraction, the sanctuary and thereby the church, offers a refuge of peace. Here, Christ heals, strengthens, and renews us. Here, we bring our joys and sorrows, trusting that God receives them with tenderness.

May we always enter this sacred space with Sunday Best dress, with gratitude and awe. And may our reverence within the sanctuary shape the way we live beyond its walls, carrying Christ's presence into the world.

Information Holy Family Fernie

Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal target for Holy Family Church, Fernie is \$ 16,500/= Already contributed \$ 4,367.12 and is in need of \$12,132.



We are planning the replacement of the lower hallway floor in the family centre. Approximate expenses will be almost \$24,500/=. If we are able to exceed the

Pilgrimage of Faith Goal, that money will be used for this repair. So, the Diocesan Goal is \$16,500/= and the Family Parish Goal is \$24,500/= Total \$ 41,000/= to be collected within December 31, 2026, if possible.



Parish Council in Holy Family church to decide portfolios of its members is scheduled to be on **May 20th, 2026, at 12 noon**, in the parish hall.

Welcome all to Coffee and Light Snacks

Funded by donations

After 11 am, Sunday Mass

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

June 7th, 14th.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 16, 2026. @ Holy Family for all the souls in purgatory.

Sunday, May 17, 2026. @ Holy Family for the special intentions of M. S. T.

Wed, May 20, 2026. @ Rocky Mountain Village for M. S. T.

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



Sacraments

We are happy to assist you. Contact the Parish Office via email fernien@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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Grief to Grace is a program rooted in our Catholic faith. Designed to express the healing



ministry of Jesus Christ, it is an integrated healing process of the body, mind, and spirit using the principles of trauma-informed care. It helps those who have endured abuse to find healing for neglect, abandonment, physical, emotional, sexual, clerical, and spiritual abuse, whether in childhood, adolescence, or as an adult. The next retreat in Canada is **September 22 - 27, 2026 in Kelowna**. For more information please email griegtograncelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403. The deadline for the intake process is June 15.

Finance Report

Contributions for the week of
May 10, 2026

Actual: \$1,164.07

Budget: \$1,150.00

Variance: (+\$14.07)

Total Contributions YTD
\$28,517.35

e-Transfer for Holy Family
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Thank you
for your donation



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Pre-Authorized Giving Form

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



Total Contributions YTD 2026

As per April 30, 2026

\$4,367.12

POF Goal \$16, 500.00

Volunteer Schedule

Saturday, May 16, 2026, 4:00 PM

Liturgical Reader

Patrice Oscienny

Sacristan

Volunteer (s)

Sunday, May 17, 2026, 11:00 AM

Liturgical Reader

Marilyn Bruschetta

Sacristan

Volunteer (s)

Saturday, May 23, 2026, 4:00 PM

Liturgical Reader

Anne Majic & Hamaica Tabamo

Sacristan

Diane Slywka

Sunday, May 24, 2026, 11:00 AM

Liturgical Reader

Angelika Pace

Sacristan

Volunteer (s)

Church Cleaners

May 11, 2026, to May 25, 2026

Anne Majic, Nermina DeGuzman and
Veronica Eustace.