

Welcome to the Roman Catholic Parishes of the Elk Valley



HOLY FAMILY PARISH
FERNIE, BC

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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.

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ST. MICHAELS'S PARISH
SPARWOOD, BC

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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

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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

June 14, 2026.

The Biblical Foundations of the Mass: (Continued from Homily)

Creed comes after Homily:

- Confessing faith publicly is commanded in Scripture (Romans 10:9–10).
- The Creed summarizes the apostolic preaching (Acts 2:22–36).

The Creed is therefore the Church’s biblical “Yes” to God’s Word.

🙏 2. Prayer of the Faithful — Intercession Rooted in Scripture

Core idea: The Church prays for the world, following the biblical pattern of universal intercession.



- St. Paul urges intercessions for all people (1 Timothy 2:1–2).
 - The early Church prayed together after hearing the Word (Acts 4:24–31).
- This prayer completes the Liturgy of the Word and prepares us for sacrifice.
- ✦ Transition to the Liturgy of the Eucharist

The structure now mirrors the Last Supper, Jewish temple sacrifice, and Emmaus (Luke 24:30–32), where Jesus:

1. Opened the Scriptures (Liturgy of the Word)
2. Broke the Bread (Liturgy of the Eucharist)

📦 3. Preparation of the Gifts — Biblical Offering and Sacrifice

Core idea: Bread and wine are brought forward, echoing Old Testament offerings and Jesus’ actions at the Last Supper.

- Melchizedek offered bread and wine (Genesis 14:18) — a key Eucharistic foreshadowing.
- Israel brought gifts to God before sacrifice (Exodus 23:19).
- Jesus took bread and wine at the Last Supper (1 Corinthians 11:23–26).



The priest’s quiet prayers echo biblical themes of humility and purification (Philippians 2:8).

🙏 4. Eucharistic Prayer — The Heart of the Sacrifice

This is the most explicitly biblical part of the Mass.

a. Preface & Holy, Holy, Holy (Sanctus)

- “Holy, holy, holy” comes from Isaiah’s heavenly vision (Isaiah 6:3).
- “Hosanna in the highest” comes from Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:9).

b. Institution Narrative

The priest repeats Jesus’ own words:

“This is my body... This is my blood... Do this in remembrance of me.”

(1 Corinthians 11:23–26)

This is not symbolic; it is Christ’s command and covenant.

c. Anamnesis & Offering

•“We proclaim your death, O Lord...” echoes the apostolic preaching (Acts 10:38–41).

•The Church offers the sacrifice of Christ, fulfilling Malachi’s prophecy of a pure offering among the nations (Malachi 1:11).

d. Intercessions

Just as St. Paul prayed for the churches, the Eucharistic Prayer includes petitions for:

•the living; the dead; the Church; and the world. (Will continue...)

Information Holy Family Fernie & Sparwood

1. When we scheduled Sunday Mass time, there



were so many requests from Sparwood to have it later than 9 am to accommodate people who have different medications, And Fernie had the requests to have an earlier Mass to accommodate Skiers. Due to some practical

problems, I was not ready to accept them.

If there are many who still want a change of time for Sunday Mass or swap the Sunday Mass time between Sparwood and Fernie, I am ready to do it after three months. I would like to get your suggestions. Send your suggestions to the parish offices as early as possible.

The proposed Sunday Mass time for Fernie will be 9. 30 am and Sparwood at 11.30 am.

2. Fernie had a Picture of “Our Lady of Perpetual Help” kept in a corner of the church. It seemed to me as a discarded picture. So, I loaned it to Cranbrook for their novenas. It seems that many are requesting to get it back. If there are at least 10 people attending novenas on Wednesdays with the weekday Mass, I will get it back as early as possible.

3. All the three parishes are trying their best to reach their Pilgrimage goal. Remember, we need to

complete it at least by the beginning of December 2026, if possible.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 13, 2026. @ Holy Family for the special intentions of M. S. T.

Sunday, June 14, 2026. @ Holy Family for the special intentions of M. S. T.

Wed, June 17, 2026. @ Rocky Mountain Village for M. S. T.

Welcome all to Coffee and Light Snacks

Celia & Phil Celebration

After 11 am, Sunday Mass

June, 14th



Finance Report

Contributions for the week of

June 7, 2026

Actual: \$1,325.51

Budget: \$1,150.00

Variance: (+\$175.51)

Total Contributions YTD

\$33,560.15

e-Transfer for Holy Family

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Volunteer Schedule

Saturday, June 13, 2026, 4:00 PM

Liturgical Reader

Anne Majic & Hamaica Tabamo

Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister

Lucrecia Lynch

Sunday, June 14, 2026, 11:00 AM

Liturgical Reader

Marilyn Bruschetta

Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister

Volunteer (s)

Saturday, June 20, 2026, 4:00 PM

Liturgical Reader

Colin Lynch

Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister

Diane Slywka

Sunday, June 21, 2026, 11:00 AM

Liturgical Reader

Angelika Pace

Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister

Volunteer (s)

Church Cleaners

June 8, 2026, to June 22, 2026

Marilyn Gareau and Maria Scarpelli



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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