

Welcome to the Roman Catholic Parishes of the Elk Valley



HOLY FAMILY PARISH
FERNIE, BC

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Pastor Office: 250-425-6444

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Website:
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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.

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ST. MICHAELS'S PARISH
SPARWOOD, BC

129 Centennial Square

Mailing Address:

PO Box 167, V0B 2G0

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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

June 21, 2026.

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



(Continued....) 🌸 **5. The Lord's Prayer — Directly from Jesus**

The Our Father is the prayer Jesus himself taught (Matthew 6:9–13).

It prepares us for communion by asking for: daily bread (Eucharist); forgiveness; deliverance from evil.

👉 **6. Sign of Peace — Biblical Reconciliation**

Jesus commands reconciliation before offering sacrifice (Matthew 5:23–24).

The peace exchanged is a sign of unity before Communion.

🐑 **7. Lamb of God (Agnus Dei) — John the Baptist's Proclamation**

“Behold the Lamb of God” comes from John 1:29.

It identifies Jesus as the true Passover Lamb.

✚ **8. Communion — Eating and Drinking with the Risen Christ**

Biblical foundations:



•The disciples recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread (Luke 24:30–31).

•The early Church “devoted themselves... to the breaking of the bread” (Acts 2:42).

•Jesus promises: “My flesh is true food... whoever eats this bread will live forever” (John 6:51–58).

Peter testifies that the apostles *ate and drank with the risen Lord* (Acts 10:38–41).

Communion is therefore a real encounter with the living Christ.

🙏 **9. Prayer After Communion — Biblical Thanksgiving**

After eating, Jesus often prayed (Matthew 14:23).

The Church follows this pattern, thanking God for the gift received.

✨ **10. Final Blessing & Dismissal — Sent on Mission**

•Blessings are biblical (Numbers 6:24–26).

•Jesus sends his disciples to evangelize (Matthew 28:19–20).

“Go forth, the Mass is ended” echoes the apostolic mission. (The End)

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. Decision and action on this matter will be depending on your positive suggestions in both parishes.

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

2. 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.

3. 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.** We will begin this project in the month of August 2026.

4. I am going for my holidays from June 22, Monday and will be back to work on August 13, Thursday. Fr. Marion Korzenioski will not be available for replacement. Deacon Peter will stay in the Rectory and do the communion service on June 27& 28, on July 18 & 19 and on July 25 & 26. Looking forward to these



days, I have already consecrated extra hosts for all the churches. Fernie church has 300 hosts; Sparwood has 200 hosts and Elkford has 100 hosts.

Eucharistic ministers are requested to monitor the number of consecrated hosts for your use. Fr Wayne Pfliger will offer Mass for July 4 & 5 as well as July 11 & 12 and stay in the rectory. He would offer weekday mass in Sparwood, but no care home mass. Fr. Julian Studden will stay in the Rectory and would do the weekday Mass on August 1 & 2 and August 8 & 9. No care home Mass.



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Obituary

Anna On Na TSE

1944 - 2026



Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 20, 2026. @ Holy Family for the repose of the soul of Anna On Na Tse.

Sunday, June 21, 2026. @ Holy Family for the special intentions of M. S. T.

Wed, June 24, 2026. @ Rocky Mountain Village for M. S. T.

Finance Report

Contributions for the week of

June 14, 2026

Actual: \$1,183.26

Budget: \$1,150.00

Variance: (+\$33.26)

Total Contributions YTD

\$35,859.60

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



Total Contributions YTD 2026

As per May 31, 2026

\$6,154.12

POF Goal \$16, 500.00

Volunteer Schedule

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)

Saturday, June 27, 2026, 4:00 PM

Liturgical Reader

Patrice Oscienny

Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister

Diane Slywka

Sunday, June 28, 2026, 11:00 AM

Liturgical Reader

Marilyn Bruschetta

Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister

Volunteer (s)

Church Cleaners

June 22, 2026, to July 6, 2026

Regina Vinge & Volunteer