



STM Sparwood

BC ROCKIES CATHOLIC CHURCHES



HFP Fernie

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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STB Elkford



OLSS Tobacco Plains Mission

Second Sunday of Easter
April 03, 2016

LOCAL & RECENT NEWS ARTICLES

YEAR OF MERCY EVENTS

REFUGEE COMMITTEE FORMED FOR ALL BC ROCKIES CATHOLIC CHURCHES

It is with great excitement that Holy Family Parish is announcing that we will be making an application to Sponsor a refugee family from Syria for one year. A small group of people gathered Thursday, Feb. 18th to discuss the information and to determine our capacity to take on this project. The group unanimously felt that the application should move forward. The financial commitment for a family of 4 will be \$27,000. Surveys have gone out to the members and the committee would appreciate their return as soon as possible. Contributions to the project will be given a charitable donation receipt. It is our aim to raise the funds quickly in order to move forward, cheques can be made out to **Holy Family Parish**, with **Refugee Fund** written in the memo line. All funds donated are not subject to Cathedralism. Your prayerful consideration of, and participation in this worthwhile endeavor is greatly appreciated.

There will be information packages available to all members of the church that will answer questions and inform you on how to make donations of time, money, and needed items. Please contact Sharon Switzer at 250 -946-6919 or ferneliving@gmail.com if you feel called to participate as one of the committee heads and Glen Carter 250-423-4888 for donations.

Committee Positions to be filled are:

- Co-coordinator –
- Finance -
- Welcome -
- Language Support – Sandy Carter
- Housing – Sharon Switzer
- Early Childhood Support – Sharon Switzer
- Documents Support – Father Marcel
- Media and Tech Support – Rob Greene
- Employment Support –
- Trauma & Emotional Support – Brian Glover
- Fundraising – Glen Carter
- Health & Services Support – Alan Westhaver

To Donate to the Fernie Refuge Fund, you will be able to donate online @ <http://www.holyfamilyfernie.ca/> Click here button on the home page. The Fernie Refugee Family Fund is on the drop down list and you will receive a charitable receipt for the donation from Canada Helps.Org.

Seton House of Prayer

There is a change this year with the fundraiser for Seton House of Prayer. Instead of the usual dinner and silent auction at Immaculate Conception Hall, a concert & silent auction will be held at the Kelowna Community Theatre on Thursday, April 21st, 2016. Please keep your evening free to come and enjoy a GRAND evening of entertainment. Details to follow soon.

BC ROCKIES CATHOLIC CHURCHES - SCHEDULED MASSES

(HFP – Holy Family Parish Fernie) (RMV – Rocky Mountain Village Fernie)
(STM – St Michael's Sparwood) (LTS – Lilac Terrace Sparwood)
(STB – St Bernard's Elkford) (OLSS - Our Lady of Seven Sorrows)

Confirmation Schedule

Bishop John Corriveau will be in Fernie HFP for Confirmation at the 9:00am Mass on Sunday, April 10th

Sat, April 02	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	HFP STM	RIP – Elenor Guarascio Pro Populo
Sun, April 03	9:00 AM 11:00 AM 4:00 PM	HFP STM STB	Pro Populo Pro Populo Pro Populo
Mon, April 04	9:00 AM	STM	RIP – Maureen Holm
Tues, April 05	9:00 AM	HFP	RIP – Maria Turcasso
Wed, April 06	11:00 AM	RMV	RIP – Mervin Waechter
Thurs. April 07	11:00 AM 4:00 PM	STB OLSS	RIP - Aida Manuel INT – Dawn and Pregnant Women
FRI. April 08	11:00 AM	LTS	RIP - Mary Urbash
Sat, April 09	5:00 PM 8:00 PM	HFP STM	RIP - Mildred Harrington Pro Populo

LIVE IN RETREAT

Are you interested in a deeper personal relationship with Jesus?
June 3-5, 2016, Immaculate Heart of Mary Shrine and Retreat Centre will hold the first Live In weekend in the Diocese of Kamloops. This is your chance to experience Jesus as someone real, experience a new peace and deepen your faith. If you have already made your weekend, come and work as a team member and experience the gift that comes with sharing this beautiful time together. Contact for registration and information: Darlene Heaney 250 542 8690 darleneheaney@gmail.com

Charismatic Conference

Mercy is Falling; God's Mercy is for All is the theme of this year's Charismatic Conference to be held at St. Pius X church in Kelowna on April 29th & 30th, 2016. Keynote speaker is Fr. Pierre Ducharme, OFM. The conference is free; a love offering will be taken. For information see the brochures in the church or contact Maria at untamedspirit@telus.net or Roy at rmacintyrester@hotmail.com

Holy Family Parish Council:

Pastor: Father Marcel Cote
Chairperson: Mike Delich
Secretary: Celia Roccamatysi

Members: Rob Greene, Alice Aylward Nally, Catherine Sonntag, Vince Sonntag, Heather Mong, Annette Harrison, Sam Caravetta, Sandy Carter, Butch Coultry

Knights of Columbus: Grand Knight: Rob Greene
Catholic Women's League: President: Celia Roccamatysi

Finance Committee:

Regina Vinge, Angelika Pace & John Pallone.

FINANCE

PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH

Pilgrimage of Faith: \$11,522.52
Diocesan Goal: \$14,600

COLLECTIONS

March 26 & 27, 2016 - \$1926'85
Good Friday: \$560.00
Easter Offering: \$1869.00
Candles: \$2.55
Development & Peace - \$355.00
Envelope expense: 15.00

Vocation Live-In

Weekend of April 8 -10. For boys or young men interested in priesthood or the consecrated life. Seminary of Christ the King, Mission, BC.
For more information call 604-826-8715.

CWL NEWS

April meeting is cancelled. On **Tuesday, May 10th** there will be a Cheese & Wine evening, starting at 7 pm with Rosary in Church followed by Soiree. Presentation of Pins. Refreshments provided.

Christian Unity Week. April 4th – 8th events. United Church 12:00 – 1:00 pm.
Catholic Day – Wednesday, April 6th. Catholics provide lunch and service to be given by Pastor.

CWL MOTHERS DAY BAKE SALE ON MAY 7th & 8th, 2016

Please bring donated baked items to the Hall before Mass on Saturday & Sunday. The Bake Sale will take place before and after Mass on May 7th & 8th. Proceeds to go to the Syrian Refugee Fund.

The Diocese of Nelson is looking for Catholic men (married or single) between the ages of 31 and 60 who would be interested in serving the Church as Permanent Deacons. Interested men should first read the article on page 14 and 15 of The Mountain Star (March Edition) or pick up a pamphlet available at your local parish. Applicants will enter a four year formation program that will equip them in working with the laity to spearhead new forms of ministry in our diocese. To apply please speak to your parish priest first. For further information, please call Fr. Bart at 1-250-368-6677. Deadline for applications: October 1st, 2016. Due to the resources needed to run the program, we can only accept applicants every four years.

**Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia
Think About It**

One of the most important principles of palliative care is to manage the pain and symptoms of a disease or illness while neither hastening death nor prolonging the dying process. With proper palliative care, almost all requests for euthanasia would disappear.

ONE MAN'S SCRAP, ANOTHER MAN'S GOLD

We are looking for six desk top blotters. We are going to start up a calligraphy class for youth and if you have any at home we would appreciate it if you could donate them. You may drop them off at the parish office on Tuesday or Friday between 9:30 am and 1:30 pm.

Holy Family Parish Schedules

LECTORS

April 9th
Colin Lynch

April 10th
A. Minto & Billie-Anne Kowalski

GREETERS

April 9th
Annette Harrison

April 10th
Sharon Switzer

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

April 9th
Rob Lecavalier

April 10th
Geraldine Rocca

CHURCH CLEANERS

April 11th

A. Magic, A. Byrne, S. Gris

THE CHURCH CHOIR

Practices are held on Thursdays at 7:00pm in the church. For anyone interested in joining contact Rosanna at rosanna1@shaw.ca or text 250-423-7290.

RECOMMENDED WEBSITES

HFP, STM, STB, OLSS:
www.bcrockiescatholicchurches
Diocesan Website -
www.nelsondiocese.org
CWL – www.cwl.ca
Knights of Columbus – www.kofc.org
Development & Peace - www.dev.org
Rachel Vineyard -
rvnelsondiocese@shaw.ca
Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops
- www.cccb.ca
BC Seniors Guide:
www.gov.bc.ca/seniorsguide.