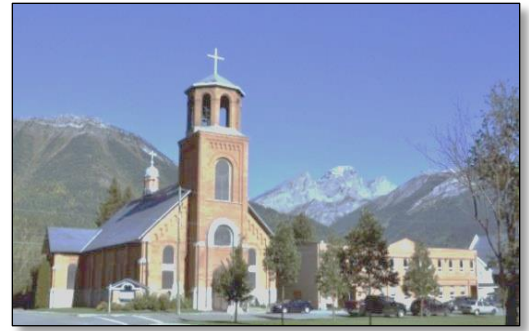


# Holy Family Parish, Fernie

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*Holy Family Parish is organised together with St. Michael's, Sparwood and St. Bernard's, Elkford.*

## 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

### *From Fr David...*

This week we are delighted to be welcoming ladies of the CWL from all over the diocese. Along with St. Michael's parish in Sparwood, Holy Family parish here in Fernie is hosting the CWL's 81<sup>st</sup> Diocesan Convention. Also we will be welcoming our Bishop who will be attending the convention on Saturday, along with Fr. Rex Velmonte who is the diocesan Spiritual Advisor to the CWL, and also Fr. Jim McHugh will be with us from Kimberly and there might be other priests from around the diocese dropping in. So it will be a busy few days.

The ladies will assemble on Thursday and have a series of meetings and talks on Friday and Saturday. Along with this there are a number of special Masses that are part of the convention and everyone is welcome to come along and be part of these celebrations; one is in Fernie on Thursday, one is in Sparwood on Friday, and next Saturday at our 5pm Mass here in Fernie we will be joined by the Bishop who will preside and preach and this will be the closing Mass of the convention. *(So to give you a heads up: unlike myself, the Bishop likes to start on time!)* Also on Friday and Saturday there will be Morning Prayer prayed in our church, so there is a lot happening and even if you are not part of the CWL you are welcome to join the ladies for any of their times of prayer.

Please note that the CWL Masses this week will replace the normal weekday Masses both here and in Sparwood, but the care home Masses will take place as normal.

### *From the Parish...*

#### CWL Convention Schedule – Times of Prayer

Thursday 7pm	– Holy Family, Fernie	– Opening Mass with Fr Rex presiding and preaching;
Friday 9am	– Holy Family, Fernie	– Morning prayer led by Fr Rex;
Friday 5:15pm	– St. Michael's, Sparwood	– Mass with Fr David presiding and preaching;
Saturday 9am	– Holy Family, Fernie	– Morning prayer led by Fr. Rex;
Saturday 5pm	– Holy Family, Fernie	– Closing Mass with Bp. John presiding and preaching.

All parishioners are welcome to attend any of these services.

### Mass Times

#### Masses for Sunday

Fernie:

5pm Saturday &  
9am Sunday

Also:

Sparwood:

7pm Saturday &  
11am Sunday

Elkford:

4pm Sunday

#### Weekdays Masses

*As normal:*

Wednesday – 11am  
Rocky Mountain Village

*See text for details of other  
Masses this week.*

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Sanctuary Lamp burns  
for Luisa Rino  
30<sup>th</sup> April to 6<sup>th</sup> May  
from the Family.



## **81<sup>st</sup> Annual CWL Nelson Diocesan Convention** –

*Thursday to Saturday this week.*

*The CWL write...* The last time our parish here in Fernie was involved in hosting a CWL Diocesan Convention was over thirty years ago in 1986, so the ladies of our League are very excited about this event. Ninety-two women from across the diocese will be participating. This year the theme for the Convention is “Inspired by the Spirit; Women Respond to God’s Call”.

Our guests will start arriving on Thursday when we will be meeting and greeting people who might have travelled quite long distances.

On Friday morning, after starting with Morning Prayer, the convention will hear from Corrie Hurlburt from the Elkford Women’s Taskforce who will talk about families in Crises. In the afternoon ‘Wills and Powers of Attorney’ and the Women’s Resource Centre are additional topics that will be presented. Late afternoon we will all travel to Sparwood where we will celebrate Mass at St. Michael’s; this will be followed by a dinner and entertainment in Sparwood. *(Please note that there will be a collection at the Friday Mass for families experiencing crises.)*

On Saturday again the day will start with Morning Prayer and then there will be some business meetings for our CWL ladies including feedback and news from other CWL conventions across Canada.

The big event of the convention will be on Saturday when our bishop, Bp. John Corriveau OFM Cap., will lead our closing Mass and then be the guest of honour at our convention banquet. At the same time the Bishop will be installing and blessing the CWL Diocesan Executive for the next year.

At this banquet Major David Dean from the local Salvation Army church will be the guest speaker and he will respond to the convention’s theme of “Inspired by the Spirit; Women Respond to God’s Call”.

We are all very excited about the coming week and ask you to hold us in prayer and also invite you to join us for our liturgies. May we indeed be inspired by the Spirit and respond to God’s call.

### ***From Else Where...***

#### **Development & Peace Talk in Castlegar**

On Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May Joe Gunn, a familiar name to many in the D&P World, will talk to parishioners and interested people at St. Rita’s Parish in Castlegar from 9am to 1:30pm. A lunch will be provided and there is no charge. Joe is a passionate and often outspoken advocate for many social justice issues including poverty, climate change, Aboriginal people and the environment. Joe’s topic is ‘D&P, Past, Present and Future’. Celia and Fil are attending and if you wish to go please call Celia at 250-430-7533.

### **Ministries:**

#### **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May**

##### **Eucharistic Minister:**

Ewa & Adam Langer

##### **Reader:**

Lisa Westhaver &  
Cathleen Sonntag

##### **Greeters:**

Nellie Dunlap &  
Hilda Cadorath

#### **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May**

##### **Reader:**

Giselle Kitchen & Sandy Carter

##### **Greeters:**

Luis Grijalva & Family

##### **Church Cleaning for this week:**

A. Majic, A. Byrne, S. Gris &  
M. BeGuzman

#### **Finance**

##### **Collections:**

22<sup>nd</sup> /23<sup>rd</sup> April .....\$897.55  
Easter offering.....\$45.00  
Good Friday .....\$5.00

##### **Our Pilgrimage of Faith 2017:**

Given to date .....\$ 8,275.00  
*Our Diocesan Goal .... \$11,600.00*

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