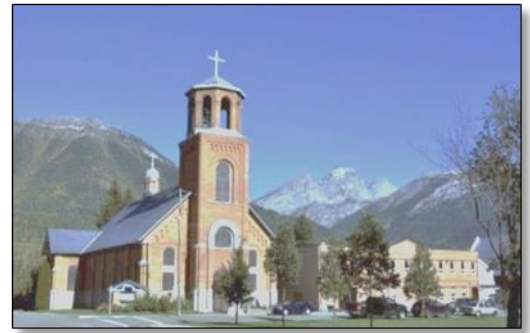


Holy Family Parish, Fernie

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

10th December 2017 2nd Sunday of Advent



Ministries

Saturday 16th December

Eucharistic Minister:

Ewa Langer

Reader:

Lisa Westhaver

Greeters:

Rob Lecavalier

Sunday 17th December

Eucharistic Minister:

Glenn Carter

Reader:

Cathleen Sonntag

Greeters:

Sharon Switzer

Church Cleaning this week:

M. Gareau & I. Gareau

Finance

Collections:

2nd/3rd December\$1188.20

Our Pilgrimage of Faith 2017/2018:

Our Diocesan Goal..... \$10,200.00

Given to date \$9,470.50

*To donate to the Fernie Refugee Fund
please go to our website:*

www.holyfamilyferniefie.ca

and there is a link on the home page.

*You will receive a charitable receipt for
any donation from CanadaHelps.Org*

From the Parish...

Catechism Nativity Play and Christmas Carols

The entire parish is invited to watch this year's nativity play presented by the catechism classes of Holy Family Parish. Please join us on Wednesday, 20th December at 3:45pm for Christmas Carols and the Nativity Play. Music will be provided by the Lynch sisters and there will be a collection at the door for third world farm items.

Children's next Choir Practice

Tuesday, 12th December and Thursday, 14th December after school until 5ish there will be a practice with the children for Christmas Eve Mass at the Holy Family Church. For more information email Rosanna at rosanna1@shaw.ca

Change of Venue...CWL Christmas Luncheon

The CWL is coming together for their Annual Christmas luncheon at the Bridge Bistro on Tuesday, 12th December at 11:45 am. Father David and all parishioners are cordially invited. Please come and enjoy the fun! We have started collecting the CWL fees and payment for 2018 fees will be appreciated.

Coffee Fellowship after Sunday Mass

As everyone is busy over Christmas Sunday, 17th December will be the last day of coffee fellowship after our Sunday Mass. We will resume in the New Year on Sunday, 7th January.

Mass Times

Masses for Sunday

Fernie:

5pm Saturday &
9am Sunday

Also:

Sparwood:

7pm Saturday &
11am Sunday

Elkford:

4pm Sunday

Weekdays Mass

Wednesday 11am at
Rocky Mountain Village

Christmas & New Year Mass Schedule Attached

Please take the attached schedule and put it somewhere you can refer to it. Both Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve are both Sundays so please note the changes so you don't miss any of the Masses at this most holy time of year.

Information needed on Offertory Envelopes

For tax receipt purposes we require names and addresses. For holders of envelopes 82 and 129 please contact Mary at 250-423-4269.

Holiday Train arriving in Fernie

The CP Holiday Train is coming to Fernie at 5:15pm on Monday 11th December. Barbara Osbourne from the Salvation Army is organising hot chocolate for those who turn out to see the Holiday Train. She is asking for volunteers from all the churches in town to help with this so it is a service offered by the whole Christian community to those coming to the Holiday Train. If you could help, please contact her directly at Barbar.Osbourne@can.salvation.org.

Salvation Army Needs your Help

The Salvation Army needs volunteers to help with the Christmas Kettles drive in Fernie. Currently they are looking to set up kettles at the Save-On-Foods and Ann's Independent grocery stores. If enough volunteers come forward they could also put a kettle outside the BC Liquor Store and one at Canadian Tire. Kettles will go out from Friday 1st December until Saturday 23rd December, but will not be out on Sundays. Each day they will try to have the kettles out from 12noon until 8 pm, and on Saturday they will start at 10am. The shifts are for two hours each. You can volunteer for one shift or many, and help will be greatly accepted. For more information please contact Stacey-Ann Clarke 250-423-4661 or Stacey.Clarke@can.salvationarmy.org.

Pre-Christmas Concert

The Fernie Community Choir will present its pre-Christmas Concert on Friday, 15th December at 7pm in the Holy Family Church. Tickets are on sale at the Scotiabank and at the door. The ticket price is \$10.00 a person and children under the age of 12 are free. Please come and enjoy the music.

Grand Knight and Financial Secretary Needed

These positions need to be filled in January or Council 2206 will most likely fold. Our only income is from the bottle recycling and that is not enough to keep Council 2206 viable. For more information call Grand Knight Rob Greene at 250-423-9521.

From the Diocese

Pilgrimage of Faith

With the end of the 2017 fiscal year coming upon us, kindly ensure that any donations for the Pilgrimage of Faith for the tax year 2017 are received and dated no later than December 31, 2017.

From Beyond the Parish...

Catholic Health Association of BC Bursary

The Catholic Health Association of BC will be awarding two bursaries valued at \$250 each to two 2018 graduating students who are enrolled in Catholic secondary schools, or who are members of BC or Yukon parishes and enrolled in public secondary schools, or who are home-schooled. Students are asked to submit a 500-word essay that demonstrates an awareness and understanding of the significance of **Spirituality in Health Care**. Submissions must be received on or before March 9, 2018. For further details, please refer to the poster on display in the vestibule of the church or check the CHABC website at www.chabc.bc.ca under News and Events.