



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH
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Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
December 27, 2015



WELCOME FATHER JACK

The parishioners of Holy Family Parish would like to welcome Father Jack who is replacing Fr. Marcel from December 28, 2015 to January 24, 2016.

LOCAL & RECENT NEWS ARTICLES

YEAR OF MERCY EVENTS - Pope Francis has asked us to celebrate a Year of Mercy beginning this Advent. It is a chance to show mercy to others and to ourselves. The efforts we make in this year will be listed here. Other efforts around the Diocese will also be listed.

A final report has been completed from the Synod on The Vocation and Mission of the Family in the Church and in the Contemporary World.

http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/synod/documents/rc_synod_doc_20151026_relazione-finale-xiv-assemblea_en.html

PATRON OF THE ARTS – HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

If there was any doubt the Catholic Church is a Patron of the Arts let that doubt be carried away by the voices of the Fernie Community Choir hosted by Holy Family Catholic Church.

THREE CHURCHES OF THE ELK VALLEY - 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)

Sat, Dec 26	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	HFP STM	RIP – Verona Simmons Pro Populo
Sun, Dec 27	9:00 AM 11:00 AM 4:00 PM	HFP STM STB	Pro Populo Pro Populo RIP – Joanne Gris Fraser
Mon, Dec 28	9:00 AM	STM	RIP – Madeline Shelley
Tues, Dec 29	9:00 AM	HFP	INT – Bishop John Corriveau
Wed, Dec 30	11:00 AM	RMV	INT – Bishop John Corriveau
Thurs. Dec 31	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	HFP STM	INT – Bishop John Corriveau RIP – Joe Tracey
Fri, Jan 01	9:00 AM 11:00 AM 4:00 PM	HFP STM STB	INT – Bishop John Corriveau RIP – Joanne Gris Fraser Pro Populo
Sat, Jan 02	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	HFP STM	Pro Populo Pro Populo
Sun. Jan 03	9:00 AM 11:00 AM 4:00 PM	HFP STM STB	Pro Populo Pro Populo RIP – Joe Tracey

TAX INFORMATION

Please note that all donations for 2015 receipts must be received by the Parish prior to Dec 31st. We cannot receipt monies received in 2016 as 2015 donations, even if your cheque is dated December. The Diocese has reminded us that the collection at the 5 pm mass on Dec 31st is considered to be for New Year’s Day and is therefore not receipted until 2016.

2016 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES –

The 2016 offertory envelopes are in the front entrance.

PLEASE DO NOT USE UNTIL JANUARY 2016.

Please put your name and mailing address on the first envelope you use so we can update the parish list. There are a few extra boxes for parishioners who were not assigned a number. Please do not use the extra envelopes for random offering, use the blank ones provided and put your name and address on it for income tax purposes. Thank you.

FINANCE

We have started our Pilgrimage of Faith 2015/2016 Campaign. The Diocesan goal is \$14,600 lets meet this before years end. The more we use the Pilgrimage of Faith the less tax we pay.

PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH

Pilgrimage of Faith: \$8077.22
 Diocesan Goal: \$14,600

COLLECTIONS:

Dec 19 & Dec 20, 2015 - \$2,745.55
 Candle - \$ 3.27

**ONE MAN’S SCRAP,
 ANOTHER MAN’S GOLD**

In this section of our bulletin we are going to ask for parishioner’s unused equipment for our parish. We are going to put them to good use.

- As advent begins and our hall use increases, we are needing to upgrade some of our equipment. Our kitchen microwave served us well but is now broken and needs to be replaced. If there happens to be any of our homes that have unused microwave with turntable we would appreciate it if you could donate it.
- In need of snow shovels.
- Thank you for donations of computers.

OUR WEBSITE IS UP AND RUNNING

HOLY FAMILY PARISH WEBSITE IS: www.holyfamilyfernie.ca

NEW WEBSITE IS: www.bcrockiescatholicchurches.ca

This will bring you to the link for all four church websites in Fernie, Sparwood, Elkford and Tobacco Plains.

Catechism News

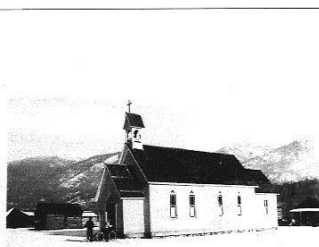
Thank you to all who support our program! We finished our 2015 lesson with a wonderful nativity play with lots of Christmas carols. Thank you to Mary Groeneweg for her piano skills.

- Catechism to start on Wednesday, January 6, 2016.

NATIONAL & DIOCESAN NEWS ARTICLES

Tobacco Plains Mission

Heart of Mary Church, Tobacco Plains on the left & Confirmation picture dated June 2, 1961, "front of Church (Our Lady of Sorrows) with Bishop Doyle, Fr. Wilson, Fr. W. Scott OMI on the right.



Since the year 1900 when Our Lady of Seven Dolours was built by the Oblates of Mary Immaculate, the mission has been in the care of various parishes in the southeast part of the diocese. We will include further detail of the history in this column. At present the Catholics in Grasmere and in the Tobacco Plains Bands are being served out of Fernie and through a special diocesan appointment by Sister Shelley Grant CND; of the Congregation of Notre Dame CMD. Sister Shelley lives at 361 Wade Avenue W, Penticton BC. V2A 1V2, her home number is 250- 492-4411, cell number is 250-328-9958 and email Shelleygrant1234@gmail.com

At present the band is circulating a memo when they would like to have mass on the reserve, whether it is on a Sunday or a weekday or perhaps both. Please continue to pray for the needs of the mission in Tobacco Plains.

Since being appointed here Fr Marcel has been requested to serve this mission as best as possible, and to forge a unity amongst all the believers in this area of the BC Rockies Catholic Churches.

RACHEL'S CORNER

"For 42 years I have had an infected body. When I looked in a mirror I would see my ugly face. I was always told how ugly I am. People made fun of me for being ugly. I could only see who I wished I could be. Now I know I am pretty! I am healed! My wounds are not infected anymore! It is all gone! God has shown me how much He loves me!
– Testimonial from a retreat

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RECOMMENDED WEBSITES

Diocesan Website - www.nelsondiocese.org

CWL – www.cwl.ca

Knights of Columbus – www.kofc.org

Development & Peace - www.devp.org

Rachel Vineyard - rvnelsondiocese@shaw.ca

Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops - www.cccb.ca

Holy Family Parish Schedules

LECTORS

Jan 02

Lisa Westhaver

Jan 03

A. Majic
Colin Lynch

GREETERS

Jan 02

Annette Harrison

Jan 03

Sharon Switzer
Sam Caravetta

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Jan 02

Rob Lecavalier

Jan 03

Sharon Switzer

CHURCH CLEANERS

Dec 28 to Jan 02

A. Majic, A. Byrne & S. Gris

THE CHURCH CHOIR

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

