

Holy Family Parish, Fernie

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



April 10th, 2022

Passion (Palm) Sunday



Thank you and Welcome back.

March 20, 2020, was an uncertain and disrupted time for Holy Family Parish. The pandemic brought an unknown future. Provincial rules closed our church doors, and we lost our fellowship and place of worship. Thanks to the ingenuity of Father David, virtual Masses were broadcast with one camera from a storage room in the Fernie Family Center. Our celebrations continued to grow, eventually back into the church with parishioners seated and with many on-line participants. In March 2022 attendance is strong, in person and virtually. Our 5 o'clock Saturday Mass has a choir, a pianist and people attending virtually, from several Canadian provinces, communities in British Columbia, American states and occasionally, even from Mexico

The resilience of our Fernie faith community was truly remarkable. Father adjusted his Masses, offered communion to individuals in the cars after mass, even on Christmas Eve and on summer evenings. Volunteers in April 2020 rang the church bell at 7:00 pm in support of Fernie's essential workers. Volunteers continued with the restoration of heritage building church, raising funds, restoring the windows, repairing the bell tower roof. Our financial health was uncertain in the beginning but continued to strengthen as our loyal parishioners supported the church throughout the pandemic. Thank you everyone.

Lastly, we acknowledge all individuals who followed science. We thank everyone for their patience and for following the Provincial health rules and guidelines.

Thank you and welcome home – families, seasonal residents, visitors and parishioners - to worship and to celebrate weekly Masses, weddings, christenings and funerals in person once again.



New Public Health Orders – COVID Restrictions lifted

- No vaccine passport needed (effective April 8)

March 11, 2022

- Mass Celebration without capacity limits or reservation required.
 - Hall open to everyone
 - Holy Water may be used in entry font
 - Collection may be taken by ushers
- Sign of peace maybe offered if the individual is comfortable with (it could be in a form of a bow, a smile, a wave, a knuckle bump or yes even a handshake).
 - Singing by everyone is welcomed back a long last.
- Please continue to practice safety measures like having ventilation in the church if weather permits it, stay home when sick.
- Please continue to be kind and respectful to one another as each person has a reason for personal decisions.

This Lent, let's put People and Planet First

Share Lent is an annual highlight for our organization.

It is when the bishops of Canada encourage the faithful to **give** to Development and Peace, especially through the collection on Solidarity Sunday, the fifth Sunday of Lent.

This Lent, let us walk **in solidarity** with our sisters and brothers in the Global South who put people and planet first.



Endowments

Finance-Collections

April 2nd, 2022

Weekly Donation:

\$545.00

Weekly Target: \$1,300.00

Development and Peace

\$300.00

POF 2022

Goal: \$19,250.00

Up to date

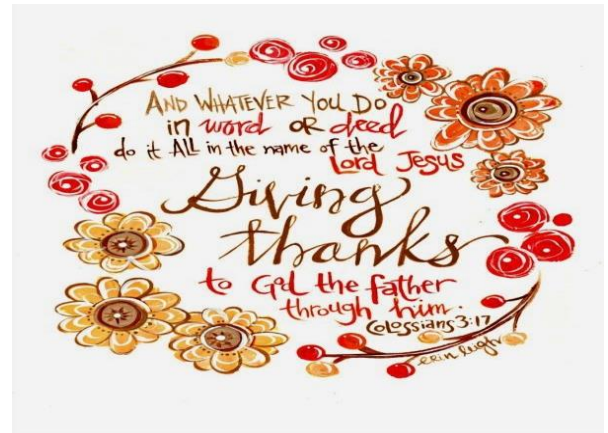
\$2380.00



Holy Family has established an endowment Fund to help fund the upkeep of our landmarked building in Fernie. We depend on the generosity of the congregation. If you would like to pledge or make a donation to worthy projects that are planned in 2022. Please contact:

Mary Giuliano at maryg2@telus.net or Anne Magic at anne.majic@gmail.com

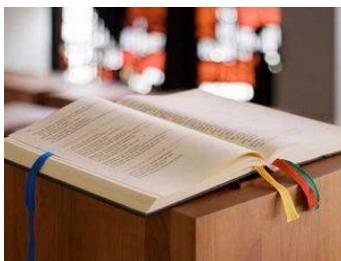
THANK YOU ALL FOR THE GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS. THROUGH YOUR SUPPORT THE CHURCH CAN CONTINUE TO BE A BLESSING IN OUR COMMUNITY.



Ministries

Saturday, 9th April, 2022

Reader:
Anne Majic



ThePassion



Church Cleaning
2nd April to 16th April
R. Vinge and G. Hughes

Mass time in Fernie. Saturdays at 5pm



Communion after Mass in Fernie
for those who cannot join Mass inside the Church
6:00pm to 6:30 pm

Holy Family Parish. Interac e-transfer Donations

When you are sending an Interac e-Transfer donation.

Please send them to:
etransfer.hfpfernief@nelsondiocese.org

For example: *Sunday Offering, Special Church Care, Christmas, New Years, and/or one of the Ordered Collections, or if is to be split between two or more of these.*

Password is NOT required to make the transfer.

Please include your envelope #

Indicate clearly to which fund the donation is to be directed in the **message box** of the e-transfer.

Donations will be automatically deposited directly in the Holy Family Parish bank account when the transfer is made.

Sacraments: Contact the Parish Office via email info@holyfamilyfernief.ca and we will reply to your email request accordingly.

