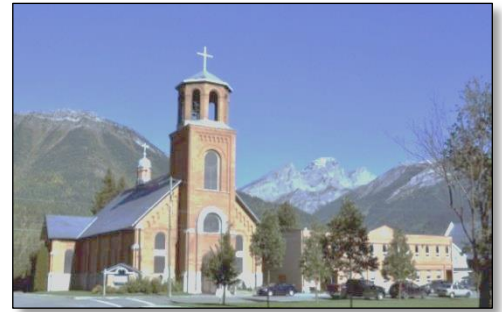


# Holy Family Parish, Fernie

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29<sup>th</sup> January 2017

## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*From Fr. David...*

### Sermon on the Mount

Lent will start on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March; between now and then there are five Sundays. The gospel readings for these five weeks all come from Jesus' "Sermon on the Mount" (Matthew 5:1 - 7:29).

Matthew's gospel shares of a lot of common material with Mark's gospel, but one feature of Matthew's gospel that is different from Mark's gospel is the inclusion of five long speeches by Jesus; these are called 'teaching sections' when Jesus teaches either the crowds or his disciples. The 'Sermon on the Mount' is the first of these five, it is also the longest and some consider it to be the most important.

This weekend we will hear the beginning of this first speech with the section called 'The Beatitudes' because Jesus makes nine statements all starting with "Blessed are...". Next weekend we will hear how we are 'salt and light'. On 12<sup>th</sup> February we have a long gospel which goes through anger, adultery, divorce and oaths (*and we are hoping Fr. Jim Ratcliffe will be here to preach on this gospel*). On the 19<sup>th</sup> February we hear the end of chapter five of Matthew's gospel which closes with the words, "Be perfect, therefore, as your Heavenly Father is perfect." For the final weekend before Lent we will hear the end of chapter six which

similarly ends with a beautiful verse, "So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today."

So as you are listening to the gospel readings over the next five weeks you can bear in mind that Jesus is describing what brings us blessings, he invites us to be part of this, to follow this way and, while acknowledging that there might be challenges on the road, Jesus tells us not to be anxious because "your Heavenly Father knows that you need all these things." (6:32)



*From the Parish...*

### February's CWL Meeting

Please note that the February CWL meeting will be Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> at 1 pm. This meeting is on the third Tuesday and not on the second because they are doing our meatballs and sauce fundraiser on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February.

### Mass Times

#### Masses for Sunday:

Fernie:

5pm Saturday &  
9am Sunday

**Also:**

Sparwood:

7pm Saturday &  
11am Sunday

Elkford:

4pm Sunday

#### Weekdays Masses:

Tuesday – 9 am

Holy Family Church

Wednesday – 11 am

Rocky Mountain Village

*There are weekday Masses in Sparwood and Elkford; please see the local newsletters there for the times each week.*

## Donations of Scarves and Purses Needed

You are asked to donate your scarves and purses. The CWL are also in search of a coat rack to display them. This is to raise funds for the 2017 CWL Nelson Diocesan Convention that will be held in our parish in May. You may drop items off at the parish office on Tuesday's or Friday's between 9:30am and 1:30pm.

## Griz Days Garage Sale

Please drop off any donations for the garage sale at the parish office on Tuesday's or Friday's between 9:30am and 1:30pm. The date will be announced in the newsletter soon.



## Upcoming Parish Potluck

Please keep in mind our upcoming Parish Potluck on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February at 5:30pm. at the Fernie Family Centre. Our Catechism children will be giving a presentation at the potluck. Surnames beginning with letters A – M please bring a dessert and letters N to Z please bring an entrée to the potluck.

## Spaghetti & Meatball Fundraiser

Litre containers of spaghetti and meatballs are being sold for the upcoming 2017 CWL Nelson Diocesan Convention. Please contact Lena at 250-423-6980 or Celia at 250-430-7533 to place an order. The price will be \$15. The spaghetti sauce and meatballs will be available for pickup at the Parish Potluck on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February.



## *From the Diocese...*

## Knights of Columbus Bursary

*Knights of Columbus State Treasurer/Bursary Chairman – BC/Yukon Jurisdiction writes:*

The annual British Columbia and Yukon Bursary Program is known as the Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary Program. The 2017 program is now receiving applications. Once again we are privileged to offer thirty bursaries of \$500 each to Catholic students across the Province of British Columbia. These bursaries are made available on a one-time-only basis to young practicing Catholic students who are in their second or subsequent year of post secondary education at a recognized institute of higher learning within the Province. Applications are accepted until 30<sup>th</sup> June with the bursaries being awarded in the fall. The terms of reference can be found on our web site [www.kofcbc.org](http://www.kofcbc.org) and follow the link for "Bursary Information". Requests for applications should be addressed to: Knights of Columbus, Attn: Dale Hofer, Bursaries Chairman, 2300 Teal Place, Vernon, B.C. V1H 1R1

## **Ministries:**

### Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February

#### **Eucharistic Minister:**

Colin Lynch

#### **Reader:**

Cathleen Sonntag

#### **Greeters:**

Nellie Dunlap & Hilda Cadorath

### Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February

#### **Eucharistic Minister:**

Rosalinda Pukalla

#### **Reader:**

Donald DiGeorgio

#### **Greeters:**

Benny Mangone & Sam Caravetta

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

M. Gareau, I. Gareau, L. Kremen,  
S. Butler

## Finance

### **Collections:**

21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> January ..... \$962.83

### **Our Pilgrimage of Faith 2016:**

Our Diocesan Goal..... \$11,600.00

Given to date ..... \$ 6,075.00

*To donate to the Fernie Refugee Fund*

*please go to our website:*

[www.holyfamilyfernie.ca](http://www.holyfamilyfernie.ca)

*and there is a link on the home page.*

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

### Suggested Websites:

Diocesan Website:

[www.nelsondiocese.org](http://www.nelsondiocese.org)

Catholic Women's League:

[www.cwl.ca](http://www.cwl.ca)

Knights of Columbus:

[www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)

Development & Peace:

[www.dev.org](http://www.dev.org)

Rachel's Vineyard:

[www.rachelvineyard.org](http://www.rachelvineyard.org)

Canadian Conference of Catholic

Bishops: [www.cccb.ca](http://www.cccb.ca)