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# BC ROCKIES CATHOLIC CHURCHES

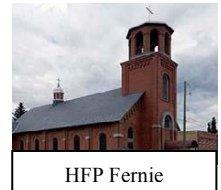
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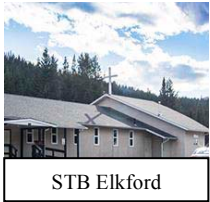
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HFP Fernie



STB Elkford



OLSS Tobacco Plains Mission

**Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**June 05, 2016**

### LOCAL & RECENT NEWS ARTICLES

#### *A Welcome Message from Fr. David*

Fr. David writes... Many thanks for the welcome I have received. It was unfortunate that I was away for my first week in the parish. I am here this coming week but will soon be away again attending the CWL provincial conference in Port Coquitlam. As you might notice there is no list of 'Mass Intentions' in this week's newsletter, this is because I do not take 'Mass Stipends'. Please find at the end of this newsletter a short piece I have written to try to explain how I see this issue. In summary, I am happy to pray for any intention at any Mass, but money must not be part of it and I won't accept one intention to the exclusion of others, so if you would like something prayed for, please mention it to me before Mass begins and we will include it in the prayers.

#### **SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THE PEOPLE OF FORT MCMURRAY**

We are having a special collection taken up in the next three Sundays (May 21/22, 28/29 & June 4/5) for the people of Fort McMurray. Please place your donation in a separate envelope and mark it Fort McMurray. The donations given to Fort McMurray will be divided – one half will be sent to the Canadian Red Cross which will obtain matching grants. The other half will be sent to the Diocese of St. Paul to assist the parishes and the Catholic families who have suffered loss.

#### **CWL PARISH WOMEN**

We are going for lunch at 1:45 on Tuesday, June 14th at the Park Place Lodge. We will be asking Father David to attend. Please come

#### **CATHOLIC MOUNTAIN STAR SUBMISSIONS**

- The deadline for submitting articles and photos is July 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Email the submissions to [holyspirit@shawbiz.ca](mailto:holyspirit@shawbiz.ca)

Congratulations to Marilyn Gareau who has been the HFP secretary for 20 years as of June 3<sup>rd</sup> 2016. Your dedication and good work is very much appreciated by the parish.

#### *Fr. David writes on Mass Stipends:*

My starting point for this subject is that money and prayers should not be connected in any way. The history is that in the early years of the church priests would wander around the more remote areas and celebrate Mass with different families or groups. The group would then be responsible for covering the costs of the priest while he stayed with them. As priests then became settled in parishes with churches the idea was continued in the form of 'Mass Stipends' that meant the priest would still offer Mass for a family or group, but now in the parish church, and that family or group would cover that priest's living expenses for that day. Of course now the priest gets a salary so the parish covers his living costs.

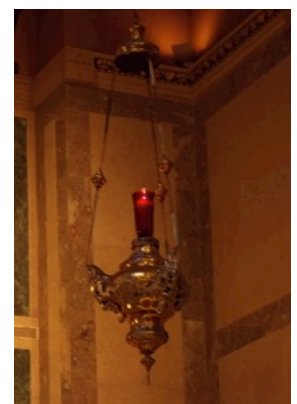
For me Mass stipends feels like 'selling prayers' which is an abhorrent idea. So while I am very happy to pray for anyone's intention at any Mass, I don't think money should be involved. Thus if you would like someone to be remembered during Mass then please let me know before Mass and we can invite the whole assembled community to pray for that intention. Weekday Masses are obviously the best for this as these tend to be a bit more relaxed. It might be that more than one person comes forward and asks for an intention to be prayed for, and this too is fine – without money being involved the nice thing is that you don't have to exclude anyone's intentions.

If you want to discuss this I will be happy to explain my thinking further. We will also happily find a retired priest who would be willing to except Mass stipends and forward Mass requests to him. If you would like this done then please let us know.

With thanks, Fr. David.

#### **BC ROCKIES CATHOLIC CHURCHES - SCHEDULED MASSES**

Sat. June 04	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	Holy Family Parish, Fernie ST Michael's, Sparwood
Sun. June 05	9:00 AM 11:00 AM 4:00 PM	Holy Family Parish, Fernie ST Michael's, Sparwood ST Bernard's, Elkford
Mon. June 06	9:00 AM	ST Michael's, Sparwood
Tues. June 07	9:00 AM	Holy Family Parish, Fernie
Wed. June 08	11:00 AM	Rocky Mountain Village
Thurs. June 09	12:00 PM	ST Bernard's, Elkford
FRI. June 10	11:00 AM	Lilac Terrace, Sparwood
Sat. June 11	5:00 PM 8:00 PM	Holy Family Parish, Fernie ST Michael's, Sparwood



**SANTUARY LAMP BURNS FOR:  
ROSA GENTILE  
June 05 to June 11 2016  
From Benny Mangone**

## Mark your calendars!

The Office of Faith Formation will be presenting the following workshops:

Foundations of the Faith – **Scripture** presented by Elaine Biollo, SC. Date: Thursday August 25<sup>th</sup> (8:30 am – 4:00 pm) at Our Lady of Lourdes School, West Kelowna. Cost is \$25A **RCIA workshop**, presented by Bishop Emeritus Gerald Wiesner, OMI. Dates: Friday October 21 and Saturday October 22 at St. Pius X in Kelowna. Cost is \$25

Contact Darlene at the Office of Faith Formation for further information.

([Darlene.jackson@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:Darlene.jackson@nelsondiocese.org)) 250-448-2725 ext. 120

### Conscience Rights Matter

We need your help because Canadians shouldn't have to compromise their conscience. Visit [www.canadiansforconscience.ca](http://www.canadiansforconscience.ca) to sign up and write the government.

#### Support Conscience Rights

Today the federal government tabled the legislation on assisted suicide and euthanasia. We need your help to protect healthcare workers, facilities and vulnerable Canadians! We are a coalition representing more than 110 healthcare facilities (with almost 18,000 care beds and 60,000 staff) and more than 5,000 physicians across Canada. Our goal is to protect vulnerable people and ensure that conscience rights of healthcare practitioners and facilities are protected without discrimination. Right now the legislation does not protect conscience rights.

You still have time to make your voice heard – visit [www.canadiansforconscience.ca](http://www.canadiansforconscience.ca) to sign up and use our database to email your concerns to federal ministers, local MPs and provincial ministers.

Please sign up and share this message with your friends and family before time runs out!

The Catholic Independent Schools of the Nelson Diocese (CISND) invite applications at this time for the following positions:

Note: application deadline for all positions is until filled.

#### **Holy Cross School, Penticton:**

- 1 Full-time Classroom Teacher (Kindergarten)
- 1 Part-time Classroom Teacher (Kindergarten). This is a temporary position.

#### **Immaculata Regional High School, Kelowna:**

- 1 Full-time French Teacher
- 1 Full-time Humanities Teacher (English and Social Studies)
- 1 Full-time Religion Teacher

#### **St. Joseph School, Kelowna:**

- 1 Full-time Classroom Teacher (Intermediate)
- 1 Full-time Classroom Teacher (Primary)
- 1 Part-time (0.4 or 0.5 FTE) Classroom Teacher (Primary; job share)
- 1 Part-time Classroom Teacher (Primary/intermediate; Prep relief)
- 2 Certified Education Assistants Training in autism and/or POPARD would be an asset.

#### **St. Joseph School, Nelson:**

- 2 Full-time Certified Education Assistants

Please view the diocesan school website [www.cisnd.ca](http://www.cisnd.ca) for posting details, application documents and process.



**Rachel's Corner** – "I had not been to confession in years because I didn't know where to start and I knew I had much to say. Here I could say it all and get it all out. It took a long time. I am 50 years old and I finally got it all out. And now I know He never left me alone during all these years. I am finally free to live again." – Testimony from a Retreat.

Has it been a long time? We can help you know where to start. Come on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat.

[www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com](http://www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com)

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### **FINANCE**

#### **PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH**

May 28/29 collection: \$1720.80  
Candle Money: \$1.30  
Fort McMurray: \$70.00  
Pope's Pastoral Works: \$25.00  
Pilgrimage of Faith: \$12,567.52  
Diocesan Goal: \$14,600.00

To DONATE to the Fernie Refugee Fund you will be able to donate online @ <http://www.holyfamilyfernie.ca>

Click here button on the home page.

The Fernie Refugee Family Fund is on the drop down list and you will receive a charitable receipt for the donation from Canada Helps.Org.

#### **Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia**

Think about it

No human being dies in a social vacuum. Consider how other people will be impacted by assisted and euthanasia. What about the impact on the person who is responsible for ending someone's life?

#### **Working against suicide**

The Government of Canada has introduced Bill C-14, *An Act to amend the Criminal Code and to make related amendments to other Acts (medical assistance in dying)*. This proposed legislation, which responds to the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada in early 2015, will make euthanasia and assisted suicide legal and more accessible in our entire country. The Supreme Court decision and current legislative efforts are in stark contradiction to the endeavours of individuals, families and communities to counteract the dangers and sufferings of suicide. To express your concerns about the legislation, visit <http://www.canadiansforconscience.ca/>

### **Holy Family Parish Schedules**

#### **LECTORS**

**June 11<sup>th</sup>**

Donald Di Giorgio

**June 12<sup>th</sup>**

Mary-Anne Bernier

#### **GREETERS**

**June 11<sup>th</sup>**

Annette Harrison

**June 12<sup>th</sup>**

Jesse Mong & Family

#### **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**June 11<sup>th</sup>**

Colin Lynch

**June 12<sup>th</sup>**

Rosalinda Pukalla

#### **CHURCH CLEANERS**

**Week of June 06<sup>th</sup>**

Marilyn Gareau & Irene Gareau

#### **RECOMMENDED WEBSITES**

HFP, STM, STB, OLSS:

[www.brockiescatholicchurches](http://www.brockiescatholicchurches)

Diocesan Website - [www.nelsondiocese.org](http://www.nelsondiocese.org)

CWL – [www.cwl.ca](http://www.cwl.ca)

Knights of Columbus – [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)

Development & Peace - [www.devpo.org](http://www.devpo.org)

Rachel Vineyard - [rvnelsondiocese@shaw.ca](mailto:rvnelsondiocese@shaw.ca)

Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops -

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

**BC Seniors' Guide:**

[www.gov.bc.ca/seniorsguide](http://www.gov.bc.ca/seniorsguide).