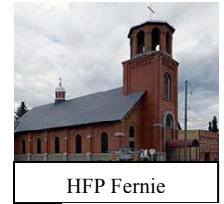


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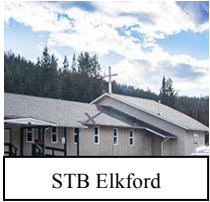
# BC ROCKIES CATHOLIC CHURCHES



HFP Fernie

## HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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STB Elkford



OLSS Tobacco Plains Mission

**Ascension of the Lord**  
**May 08 2016**

## LOCAL & RECENT NEWS ARTICLES

With the permission of Bishop John, Fr Marcel is undertaking a period of Sabbatical. Fr. Jim Ratcliffe will serve as temporary administrator of the parishes, starting on the weekend of the 16th & 17th of April, 2016. Fr Marcel's email is [mcote2@telus.net](mailto:mcote2@telus.net) if you wish to contact him.

**Rachel's Corner** – "...Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." –Philippians 4:6-7.

Can you imagine your heart guarded by the peace of God? Let your fear and anxiety be replaced by His abundant Peace and Mercy. Come and on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat.

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

**St. Joseph School, Kelowna**  
 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)  
 Application deadline: Until positions are filled.

**Holy Cross School, Penticton:**  
 1 Full-time Education Assistant; **start date: immediately**  
 1 Full-time Classroom Teacher (Kindergarten)  
 1 Part-time Classroom Teacher (Kindergarten). This is a temporary position.  
 Application deadline: Until positions are filled.

**Our Lady of Lourdes, West Kelowna:**  
 3 Full-time Education Assistants  
 1 Full-time Classroom Teacher (Grade 5/6)  
 1 Part-time (0.2) Music Teacher  
 Application deadline: Friday May 13<sup>th</sup>

**St. Joseph School, Nelson:**  
 2 Full-time Certified Education Assistants  
 1 Part-time (0.5 FTE) Music Teacher  
 Application deadline: Friday May 13<sup>th</sup>.

**St. Mary School, Cranbrook:**  
 1 Part-time (0.50 FTE) Computer Teacher  
 1 Part-time (0.25 FTE) Classroom Teacher (Grade 1)  
 Application deadline: Until positions are filled.  
 Please view the diocesan school website [www.cisnd.ca](http://www.cisnd.ca) for posting details, application documents and process.

### YEAR OF MERCY EVENTS

#### REFUGEE COMMITTEE FORMED FOR ALL BC ROCKIES CATHOLIC CHURCHES

It is with great excitement that Holy Family Parish is announcing that we will be making an application to Sponsor a refugee family from Syria for one year. A small group of people gathered Thursday, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> to discuss the information and to determine our capacity to take on this project. The group unanimously felt that the application should move forward. The financial commitment for a family of 4 will be \$27,000. Surveys have gone out to the members and the committee would appreciate their return as soon as possible. Contributions to the project will be given a charitable donation receipt. It is our aim to raise the funds quickly in order to move forward, cheques can be made out to **Holy Family Parish, with Refugee Fund** written in the memo line. All funds donated are not subject to Cathedricum. Your prayerful consideration of, and participation in this worthwhile endeavor is great appreciated.

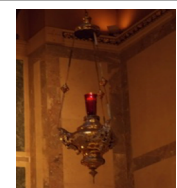
There will be information packages available to all members of the church that will answer questions and inform you on how to make donations of time, money, and needed items. Please contact Sharon Switzer at 250 -946-6919 or [fernieliving@gmail.com](mailto:fernieliving@gmail.com) if you feel called to participate as one of the committee heads and Glen Carter 250-423-4888 for donations.

#### 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/>.

#### Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia Think About It

A government advisory panel in December 2015 and a joint committee in February 2016 recommended the widest possible access to physician-assisted suicide and euthanasia. One of the panel's recommendations was to eventually allow terminally ill children ("mature minors") the right to ask their doctor to hasten their death.



**SANTUARY LAMP BURNS FOR:**  
**GENNARO RINO**  
**May 08 to May 14, 2016**  
**From the Family**

#### BC ROCKIES CATHOLIC CHURCHES - 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) (OLSS - Our Lady of Seven Sorrows)

Sat. May 07	5:00 PM 7:00 PM	HFP STM	INT – Gary Baca & family Pro Populo
Sun. May 08	9:00 AM 11:00 AM 4:00 PM	HFP STM STB	Pro Populo Pro Populo Pro Populo
Mon. May 09	9:00 AM	STM	RIP – Napoleon Paderanga
Tues. May 10	9:00 AM	HFP	RIP – George Majic
Wed. May 11	11:00 AM	RMV	RIP – Joan Galvin & Clementine Roth
Thurs. May 12	11:00 AM	STB	RIP – Lou Cote
FRI. May 13	11:00 AM	LTS	RIP – Nino & Clara Marchi
Sat. May 14	5:00 PM 8:00 PM	HFP STM	RIP – Louisa Rino Pro Populo

#### FINANCE

##### PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH

Pilgrimage of Faith: \$11,992.52; Diocesan Goal: \$14,600

#### COLLECTIONS

April 30/May 01 - \$1267.15  
 Candles - \$4.17  
 Pope's Pastoral Works - \$200.00

**Holy Family Parish Councils**

**Pastor:** Father Jim Ratcliffe

**Finance Committee:** Regina Vinge, Angelika Pace & John Pallone

**Chairperson:** Mike Delich

**Secretary:** Celia Roccamatysi

**Members:** Rob Greene, Alice Aylward Nally, Catherine Sonntag,

Vince Sonntag, Heather Mong, Annette Harrison, Sam Caravetta,

Sandy Carter, Butch Coultry

**Knights of Columbus:** Grand Knight: Rob Greene

**Catholic Women's League:** Celia Roccamatysi

**Knights of Columbus Meeting**

There will be a meeting of Fernie council 2206 on Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in the council chambers in the Family center. All members are welcome to attend.

To **DONATE** to 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.

**PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS**

**May, 2016**

To the Priests, Religious and Faithful of the Diocese of Nelson

Dear sisters and brothers,

With the approval of the Board of Consultors, I am pleased to make the following Pastoral Appointments to be effective on 18 May 2016:

**Father David John** is appointed Pastor of St. Michael Parish (Sparwood), Holy Family Parish (Fernie) and St. Bernard Mission (Elkford).

**Father Rafael Benosa** is appointed Pastor of St. Rita Parish (Castlegar), St. Anthony Mission (New Denver) and St. Mary Mission (Slocan City).

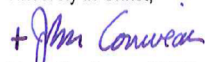
**Father Ruben Buela** is appointed as Assistant Pastor of the Parishes of St. Ann and St. John (Penticton), St. Peter Parish (Princeton) and Our Lady of Lourdes Parish (Keremeos).

**Father James Ratcliffe** is appointed Administrator of St. Michael Parish (Sparwood), Holy Family Parish (Fernie) and St. Bernard Parish (Elkford) effective 15 April 2016.

**Other News**

**Father Marcel Cote** will be on sabbatical leave beginning 15 April 2016.

Sincerely in Christ,



+John Corriveau, OFM Cap.  
Bishop of Nelson

April 13, 2016

**Holy Family Parish Schedules**

**LECTORS**

**May 14<sup>th</sup>**

Donald Di Georgio

**May 15<sup>th</sup>**

Mary-Anne Bernier

**GREETERS**

**May 14<sup>th</sup>**

Annette Harrison

**May 15<sup>th</sup>**

Luis Grijalva Family

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**May 14<sup>th</sup>**

Colin Lynch

**May 15<sup>th</sup>**

Sharon Switzer

**CHURCH CLEANERS**

**Week of May 09<sup>th</sup>**

R. Rino, A. Alyward Nally & A. Harrison

**THE CHURCH CHOIR**

Practices are held on Thursdays at 7:00pm in the church. For anyone interested in joining contact Rosanna at [rosanna1@shaw.ca](mailto:rosanna1@shaw.ca) or text 250-423-7290.

**CWL NEWS**

On **Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>** there will be a Cheese & Wine evening, starting at 7 pm with Rosary in Church followed by Soiree. Presentation of Pins. Refreshments provided.

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**CWL MOTHERS DAY BAKE SALE ON MAY 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

Please bring donated baked items to the Hall before Mass on Saturday & Sunday. The Bake Sale will take place before and after Mass on May 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds to go to the Syrian Refugee Fund.

**RECOMMENDED WEBSITES**

HFP, STM, STB, OLSS:

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

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).

The Office of Faith Formation invites those who know loved ones with addiction issues to attend the *Living with Friends and Family with Addictions* workshop presented by Dr. Peter Doherty. Dr. Doherty has been an Oblate priest for over 30 years. He has worked in parishes, among the First Nations People and is currently an Associate Professor of Psychology and Family at St. Mary's University in Calgary. Through a series of presentations, reflections and video presentations, participants in this four-hour workshop will gain a deeper understanding of their life dynamics that have been confusing and painful. Times, dates and locations are as follows:

Saturday April 30 - Christ the Servant, Cranbrook; start time: 10:00 am

Sunday May 1 - Holy Trinity, Trail; start time 1:00 pm

Friday May 6 - St. Charles Garnier, Kelowna; start time 2:00 pm

Saturday May 7 - Christ the King in Oliver; start time 10:00 am

Cost is \$10. **Registration is required for planning purposes.** For further information, contact Darlene Jackson at [Darlene.jackson@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:Darlene.jackson@nelsondiocese.org)