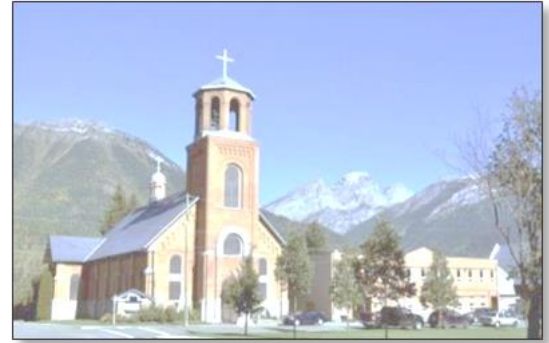


Holy Family Parish, Fernie

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

8th December 2019 2nd Sunday of Advent

From the Parish

Bishop-Elect Bart update

Father Bart left this diocese a week or so ago and drove across Canada to his new diocese in Newfoundland. He drove as he will need a car out there, and it was easier to take all his stuff in a car rather than flying luggage, although knowing Fr. Bart, he probably doesn't have that many possessions. He arrived safe and sound and is now at his new residence in Corner Brook, North-Western Newfoundland, awaiting the celebration this Thursday. Fr. David is getting ready to leave for Newfoundland straight after the Elkford Mass on Sunday evening. Please do remember to pray for Fr. Bart as he is ordained Bishop Bart on Thursday, and also please remember him in your prayers from time to time in the weeks, months and years ahead as he has a very large and scattered diocese and, as with all clergy, he very much needs to be supported in prayer.

Fr. David away 9th December to 13th December.

He will be travelling to Newfoundland. Safe travels.

Advent Reconciliation Service

If you missed the early bird reconciliation service, there will be an Advent Reconciliation Service in Cranbrook at Christ the Servant Parish on Friday 20th December at 7pm when most of the priests of the deanery will be present.

Christmas Children's Choir

The Children's choir is preparing for Christmas Eve Mass. Practices are on Monday, 9th December at 3:30 pm, Thursday, 19th December at 3:30pm and Monday, 23rd December at 11:00 am.

Christmas & New Year Mass schedule 2019/2020

Copies of the Christmas Mass schedule for Fernie, Sparwood and Elkford are located on the table.



Mass Times

Masses for Sunday

Fernie:

5pm Saturday &
9am Sunday

Also:

Sparwood:

7pm Saturday &
11am Sunday

Elkford:

4pm Sunday

Weekdays Mass

No Mass at
Rocky Mountain Village this
week

CWL Rosary Apostolate

Wednesday 1pm
Holy Family Church

From the Catholic Women's League

The CWL is selling a picture booklet as a fundraiser for the dishwasher. It includes pictures of our church with Psalms and Bible verses. Also shown on the back cover is the history of our parish. The price of these is \$15. An order form has been placed on the table in the vestibule of the church.

The CWL has arranged for the annual Christmas gathering to be at the Rocky Mountain Village on Tuesday, Dec. 10 at 7:00 pm. All members are asked to join us for this event and bring an appetizer if they desire.

Catechism Christmas Pageant

The catechism program is proud to present the Christmas pageant for all to enjoy. Please join us on 18th of December at 3:45 at the Parish Hall (Fernie Family Centre) for a sweet rendition of the Christmas play, Christmas Carols lead by Mary Groeneweg followed by a pizza dinner. If you have little ones that would like to be part of the play please come on 11 December at 3:45-4:45 for the rehearsal!

From the Elsewhere

Lost and found key

A key was found in the church. Please contact the office to claim.

Rachel's Corner

"It is like someone has given a huge gift to your garden that for years has not been green nor growing and suddenly, everything begins to grow again in the garden of your life. I feel loved by God, worthy of His love and I have been able to accept the mercy of God again. I am alive again." – Testimonial. Come on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and come alive again, but this time in His merciful embrace.

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Fernie Community Choir Christmas Concert

All parishioners are invited to attend the concert to be held in our Holy Family Church on Friday, 20th December at 7:00pm. Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased at Scotiabank or at the door that evening. Children under 12 are free.

Ringin' Our Bell after Mass

Some time ago we stopped ringin' our bell after our Sunday morning Mass. The reason for this was that our good neighbours at the Anglican church had their service half-an-hour after ours started, so when we had finished they were usually half way through the sermon, and the ringin' of the bell made it difficult for people in their church to hear, so effectively they had to stop while we rang our bell. The good news is that Christ Church Anglicans have now moved their morning service to 9am, thus they finish at the same time as we do. So if on any occasion someone does want to ring the bell after Mass, they are very welcome to do this.

Ministries

Saturday 14th December

Eucharistic Minister:

Rob Lecavalier

Reader:

Patrice Oscienny

Greeters:

Nellie Dunlap & Hilda Cadorath

Altar Servers:

Wyatt & Tysen Manchak

Sunday 15th December

Eucharistic Minister:

Eunice Peterson

Reader:

Giselle Kitchen

Greeters:

Jesse Mong and Family

Church cleaning:

2nd to 16th December:

A. Pace & S. Marcellus

Finance – Collections:

30th Nov/1st Dec \$1028.55

Candle Offering \$7.35

Parish Assistance \$5.00

Pilgrimage of Faith

New goal for 2020 Campaign

1st January – 31st December 2020

.....\$14,800