

Holy Family Parish, Fernie

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

Sunday 13th November 2016 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the Parish...

Homecoming Weekend – 20th November, Feast of Christ the King

The Pope's 'Year of Mercy' is a time to reach out and proclaim God's love. One practical way we will be doing this is by inviting Catholics who currently aren't involved in the parish to come back to Church.

Next weekend, 19th/20th November, we are having a 'Homecoming' weekend when you are asked to invite Catholics you know to Mass. These might be members of your family, neighbours, friends, colleagues, or anyone. That is part one.

Part two is that next weekend all of us who do regularly come to Mass must be super welcoming to anyone who turns up. That means that next weekend we must remember that we are not coming to church to fulfil some private need, rather we will be coming to church to give of ourselves to others. As we are walking up to the church we should be looking to see who else is parking. As we come into church, is there someone we should say hello to and then even sit by? Once seated, is there someone coming in who we should be acknowledging and invite to sit next to us? During Mass we must be praying very particularly for those who are with us once again. And then after Mass we must allow extra time to stop and chat, have coffee and generally be interested in those who turn up.

Of course, unless we invite and positively encourage people to come next week, then there won't be anyone to welcome! So please do take an invitation and talk to people about what attending Mass means to you. Offer to meet them in the parking lot and walk in with them.

Joseph Rinaldi RIP – Funeral Mass on Monday at 11am

Sadly Joseph died last week, he was 93. His funeral Mass will be here in church on Monday at 11am followed immediately by a reception. The burial will be in the afternoon. Many will have known Joseph from his very many years in this parish, and members of Maureen his wife's family are still in the parish. So we do pray for the repose of Joseph and for his four kids, for his grandchildren, great-grandchildren and all those who will mourn his passing.

Mass Times

Sunday Masses:

Fernie:

5pm Saturday
9am Sunday

Also: Sparwood –
7pm Saturday &
11am Sunday
Elkford – 4pm Sunday

Weekday Masses:

**Funeral Mass for Joseph Rinaldi,
Holy Family Church, Fernie –
11am Monday**

Holy Family Church, Fernie –
9pm Tuesday

Rocky Mountain Village, Fernie –
11am Wednesday

Also: (*This is the usual schedule but
please check the local newsletter*)

St. Michael's, Sparwood –
10am Monday

St. Bernard's, Elkford –
11am Thursday

Lilac Terrace, Sparwood –
11am Friday

Sanctuary Lamp burns for:

Luigi & Assunta Marasco and
Ann Marie (Marasco) O'Gorman
From Polyana (Marasco) Natale
& Family

Sunday 13th November to
Saturday 19th November

New Carpets – Anne Majic writes

The Church Restoration Committee is happy to report that the installation of the new carpet is scheduled to begin later this month. As previously mentioned, this project is being done as much for safety as aesthetics; the new carpet will minimise ‘trip hazard’ for people using our church. It is a very high quality product so should last a long time. The project also involves restoration work to the kneelers, which many will appreciate.

The colours of the carpet have been chosen by a professional designer who is an expert in church renovation, so we hope the new carpets will further enhance the wonderful work that was done some years ago when the building was restored and redecorated.

We are incredibly fortunate to have parishioners who have worked very hard to find and apply for grants to help us with this project. As a result of this when we ask the parish for donations to cover the cost of this important improvement we only need to ask them for a relatively small proportion of the whole cost. Those who work with our finances are always trying to get the best deal they can for the parish, particularly looking at what other financial support is available. Most funding will require us to provide a certain percentage of the final costs, but please know that because of this each dollar you give will have a big effect. **We still need to raise approximately \$2,500** towards the total cost of \$32,000 and have donations of \$850 to date. With many thanks.

Lois Wilhelm RIP – Mother of Lynda Gawryluk

As we go to press we have heard of the death of Lois Wilhelm who is the mother of Lynda from Cherished Memories Funeral Services. Lois was at Rocky Mountain Village in Fernie. We do pray for her and her family at this difficult time.

Fr. David writes...

Just a reminder that the General Instruction on the Roman Missal tells us that we don’t need to stand as the offertory gifts are being brought forward. If you do, then really it isn’t important, but the ‘rubrics’ say that there is no need to stand at this point.

From the Diocese and Beyond...

A Message from Development & Peace

When we act together, change is possible! Over the last 50 years Development and Peace has had many achievements: \$600 million invested in 100 countries; 15,000 projects in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East; more than 3.5 million signatures sent to the Canadian government for greater justice; committed members across the country working for change; and a worldwide presence through national and international networks, such as Kairos and Caritas. Join the movement! Take action for justice by becoming a member of Development and Peace or by signing the Action Card that will be distributed later this year. Ask the Prime Minister to take action against climate change by showing greater support to small family farmers in the Global South who are feeding and cooling the planet.

Ministries:

Saturday 19th November:

Eucharistic Minister:

Rob Lecavalier

Reader:

Donald DiGeorgio

Greeters:

Willie Oryschak

Sunday 20th November:

Eucharistic Minister:

Sharon Switzer

Reader:

Cathleen Sonntag

Greeters:

Benny Mangone & Sam Caravetta

Church Cleaning for this week:

S. Carter, L & A Westhaver

Church Choir

Practices are held on Wednesdays at 7pm in the church. If anyone is interested in joining the choir please contact Rosanna at rosanna1@shaw.ca or text 250-423-7290.

Finance

Collections:

5th/6th November \$1,075.82

Our Pilgrimage of Faith 2016:

Our Diocesan Goal \$11,600.00

Given to date..... \$ 3,065.00

Church Restoration Phase 4:

Estimated cost \$32,000.00

Donations to date \$ 850.00

To donate to the Fernie Refugee Fund please go to our website: 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