

WELCOME TO THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES OF THE ELK VALLEY

Holy Family Parish

St. Michaels's Parish

St. Bernard's Mission

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Fernie, BC

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Pastor Office: 250-425-6444

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129 Centennial Square

Sparwood, BC

Mailing Address:

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Pastor Office: 250-425-6444

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Elkford, BC

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C/O St. Michaels Parish

Parish Office: 250-865-2711

Website:

<https://stmichaelsparwood.org>

Mass Services for the Elk Valley

Pastor: Father Thomas Kakkaniyil

HOLY FAMILY PARISH

Saturday - 5:00 PM

ROCKY MOUNTAIN
VILLAGE — FERNIE

11:00 AM

ST. BERNARD'S MISSION

Sunday - 1:00 PM

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH

Sunday - 11:00 AM

Thursday - 7:00 PM

LILAC TERRACE — SPARWOOD
11:00 AM

The Holy

Rosary is prayed 30 minutes
before Mass.Confessions 30 minutes before
Mass or by appointment

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Pastor's Message: From November 5, 2023

I try to offer Holy Mass intentions for the members of the parishes for the important days of the members as: marriage anniversaries, birthdays either of the dead or of the alive which is the biggest gift we can offer to them. It is valuable than thousands of dollars in our bank accounts for our lives, for our security and services.

God's blessings

Fr. Thomas Kakkaniyil, Pastor of Elk-valley parishes

1. There will not be Holy Mass on 5

2. **I am thankful to all of you who are responding positively** to my request of special donation towards the **Pilgrimage Faith Appel**. Parish of Fernie has to go a long way to reach their goal and save tax free money. Congratulations to members of Sparwood and Elkford parishes who are receiving back money from the pilgrimage of Faith. Remember, every dollar we collect above the diocesan goal is returned to the parish tax free.

3. Both parishes of Holy Family and Saint Michael have already started the catechism classes. If you are looking one in your parish for your children, please contact the office and send your children to the catechism classes.

4. Synodal church is the church which is able to accommodate everyone with any differences of mind sets to the main community of the church as Jesus was able to accommodate every one of the society. It is going back to the original church of the Apostles.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

November 11 – 17

Saturday	November 11	Mass at 5:00 PM	Intention for Repose of the Soul of Helen Bachlet
Sunday	November 12	Mass at 11:00 AM	Intention for Repose of the Soul of Thomas Erwin Davis Requested by: Rosa & Santo Rocca
Sunday	November 12	Mass at 1:00 PM	Intention for the Elk Valley Parishes
Monday	November 13	Mass at 9:30 AM	Intention for M.S.T
Tuesday	November 14	Mass at 7:00 PM	Intention for Health and Wellness: Arin Martins Requested by: Paula & Joe Martins
Wednesday	November 15	Mass at 11:00 AM at Rocky Mountain Village	Intention for Repose of the Soul of Helen Bachlet
Thursday	November 16	Mass at 7:00 PM	Intention for M.S.T
Friday	November 17	Mass at 11:00 AM at Lilac Terrace	Intention for M.S.T

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank You

The forty parishioners who gathered for the Potluck enjoyed a good meal, conversation and got to know each other better. Father Thomas was the Guest of Honor! Father comes from the state of Kerala, India which is often considered the most beautiful region of India with its palm lined beaches, Ghats Mountain ranges, coffee, tea, and spice plantations. Father enjoys fishing, walking, and reading. History is Father's favourite genre. Father has enjoyed all his pastoral assignments in Canada. Father says,

"I see people as being good. Having this attitude, it is returned to me!" Sam Caravetta who is ninety-one, was Baptized in Holy Family Church and has been the longest practicing parishioner. The Hills from Penticton are Holy Family's newest members. The couple are delighted to be close to their grand children who live in Sparwood. The Hills, Pat Moore and Sam won the door prizes which were pumpkin pies.

FINANCE REPORT

Contributions for the week of October 28, 2023

Actual: \$225.00
Budget: \$1,000.00
Variance: (-\$775.00)

Total Contributions YTD
\$45,933.99

Pilgrimage of Faith
Goal: \$21,650.00

Received: \$9,265.00
Needed to reach goal: (\$12,384.31)

e-Transfer for Holy Family

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All of your donations are greatly appreciated. There are other methods to use for donation including e-Transfer and SAG (Stewardship (Pre) Authorized Giving. Enquire at the office for more information. Thank you for your kindness.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

November 11, 2023

Liturgical Reader
Theresa Cole-Smith

Sacristan
Lucrecia Lynch

November 18, 2023

Liturgical Reader
Mike Delich

Sacristan
Bob Sumka

Church Cleaners

November 13 – November 27

Lina Campisi and Maria Scarpelli

Our churches are open to those **without**
any viral symptoms.

**But Covid is still a areal threat -
Thus cauiton is needed!**