

# Welcome to the Roman Catholic Parishes of the Elk Valley



HOLY FAMILY PARISH  
**FERNIE, BC**

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**Pastor: Thomas Kakkaniyil**  
**Mass Times**

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Saturday - 4:00 PM

Sunday 11:00 AM

Wed - Noon

ROCKY MOUNTAIN VILLAGE

Wed -11 am

Confessions 30 minutes before Mass  
or by appointment.

Rosary 30 minutes prior to any Holy  
Mass

Finance Council: Colin Lynch,  
Angelika Pace, and Wayne Warner.

Property Manager: John Pallone.

ST. MICHAELS'S PARISH  
**SPARWOOD, BC**

129 Centennial Square

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Pastor Office: 250-425-6444

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[elkvalley.pastor@nelsondioces.org](mailto:elkvalley.pastor@nelsondioces.org)

**Mass Times**

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Saturday - 6:00 PM

Sunday - 9:00 AM

Monday - 6:00 PM

Tuesday 6:00 PM

Thursday 9:00 AM

Fist Fridays only 9:00 AM

Adoration & Benediction.

Friday - 11:00 AM

Mass at Lilac Terrace

The Holy

Rosary is prayed 30 minutes before  
Mass.

Confessions 30 minutes before Mass  
or by appointment.

ST. BERNARD'S MISSION  
**ELKFORD, BC**

800 Natal Road

Mailing Address:

PO Box 167, V0B 2G0

C/O St. Michaels Parish

Parish Office: 250 -425-2327

Website: <https://stmichaelssparwood.org>

Pastor's email:  
[elkvalley.pastor@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:elkvalley.pastor@nelsondiocese.org)

**Mass Service**

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Sunday - 1:30 PM

Rosary is prayed 30 minutes before  
Mass.

Confessions after Mass or by  
appointment.

**Fernie Office Hours**

Wednesdays to Fridays

9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

**Bookkeeper**

Tuesdays 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Week or Prayer for Christian Unity*

Pastor's Message – January 19, 2025.

The Church has now entered the season of



'Ordinary Time'. A more precise meaning would be "Ordered Time", for this season of Church Year is

marked by godly order as opposed to ordinary, mundane activity.

Liturgical Year: The liturgical year is made up of six seasons:

- **Advent** - four weeks of preparation before the celebration of Jesus' birth.
- **Christmas** - recalling the Nativity of Jesus Christ and his manifestation to the peoples of the world.
- **Lent** - a six-week period of penance before Easter.
- **Sacred Paschal Triduum** - the holiest "Three Days" of the Church's year, where the Christian people recall the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus.
- **Easter** - 50 days of joyful celebration of the Lord's resurrection from the dead and his sending forth of the Holy Spirit.
- **Ordinary Time** - divided into two sections (one span of 4-8 weeks after Christmas Time and another lasting about six months after Easter Time), wherein the faithful consider the fullness of Jesus' teachings and works among his people.

The mystery of Christ, unfolded through the cycle of the year, calls us to live his mystery in our own lives. This call is best illustrated in the lives of Mary and the saints, celebrated by the Church throughout the year. There is no tension between the mystery of Christ and the celebration of the saints, but rather a marvellous harmony. The Blessed Virgin Mary is joined by an inseparable bond to the saving work of her Son, and the feasts of all the saints proclaim the wonderful works of Christ in his servants and offer the faithful fitting examples for their imitation.

Liturgical Calendar: The organization of each liturgical year is governed by the Church and ultimately integrated into a liturgical calendar.

The Second Vatican Council brought renewed emphasis to Sunday as a unique liturgical category: "the Lord's Day is the original feast day" (Sacrosanctum Concilium, no. 106), and it "must be observed in the universal Church as the primordial holy day of obligation" (Code of Canon Law, canon 1246 §1). Thus, only a limited number of feasts of the Lord or the saints may take the place of the scheduled Sunday celebration.

Saints and other celebrations are distinguished in accordance with the importance assigned to each one: each is a Solemnity, Feast, or Memorial. Sundays and Solemnities begin their celebration on the evening before, Feasts and Memorials are celebrated over the course of one day, and Memorials are either Obligatory or Optional.

Holy days of obligation (also known as feasts of precept) are days when the faithful are obliged to participate at Mass and abstain from unnecessary work or other activities which hinder the suitable relaxation of mind and body. Each Sunday is a holy day of obligation, and two Solemnities are also observed as feasts of precept in Canada. They are New year, Mary the mother of God and Christmas, the birth of Jesus. (Precepts from the internet).

## Announcements

1. On February 9 Sunday, we are having a potluck supper at 4.30 pm in appreciation of all the volunteers of St. Michaels's Church, Sparwood and St. Bernard's Church, Elkford.

## Mass Intentions

Saturday, Jan 18. For all the souls in purgatory.

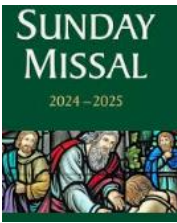
Sunday, Jan 19. For M. S. T.

Wed, Jan 22 @ Rocky Mountain. For M. S. T.

Wed, Jan 22. Holy Family. For all the souls in purgatory.

## Announcements

### Sunday Missals 2024- 2025 Available



Sunday Missals 2024 – 2025  
Available at the Parish office.  
By Donation.

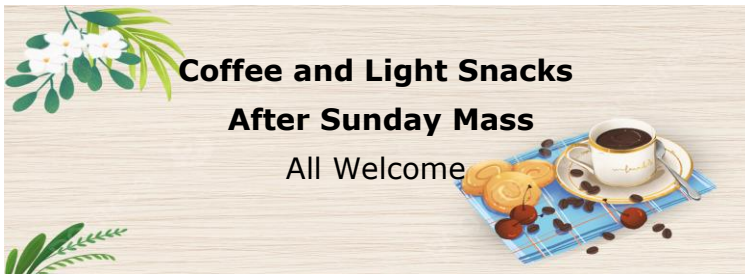
### Tax receipts

Please ensure that your contact information is up to date for tax receipt purposes. Thank you for your continued support. Please email us at



[fernie@nelsondioces.org](mailto:fernie@nelsondioces.org)

### Gathering after Mass on Sundays



**Coffee and Light Snacks  
After Sunday Mass**

All Welcome

## Sacraments

We are happy to assist you. Contact the Parish Office via email [fernie@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:fernie@nelsondiocese.org) and we will reply to your email request accordingly.



### Fernie Catholic Women League. Next Meeting.



Second Tuesday of each month  
7:00 PM. Church's Hall

### The Fernie Family Garden Recycling Program

Holy Family Parish would like to inform you about the outgoing fundraising recycling program.



Everyone is welcome to participate and support the Fernie Family Garden.



Beer/Pop/Juice/Water  
Bottles and Cans

Where: Shed beside the church. Place the recycling by the shed

## Volunteers

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact the Parish Office.  
[fernie@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:fernie@nelsondiocese.org)



## From the Diocese

Diocese of Nelson: [Click Here.](#)



Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops  
[Click Here](#)

Daily Mass readings and the Breviary prayers for the hours throughout the day. [Click here](#)

Donate to Holy Family

Finance Report

Contributions for the week of

December 28, 2024

Actual: \$4,606.62

Budget: \$1,000.00

Variance: (+\$3,606.62)

Total Contributions YTD

\$2,915.07

e-Transfer for Holy Family

[etransfer.hpfernie@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:etransfer.hpfernie@nelsondiocese.org)



Volunteer Schedule

Saturday, January 18, 2025, 4:00 PM

Liturgical Reader

Theresa Cole-Smith

Sacristan

Diane Slywka

Sunday, January 19, 2025, 11:00 AM

Liturgical Reader

Angelika Pace

Sacristan

Volunteer

Saturday, January 25, 2025, 4:00 PM

Liturgical Reader

Patrice Oscienny

Sacristan

Lucrecia Lynch

Sunday, January 26, 2025, 11:00 AM

Liturgical Reader

Marilyn Bruschetta

Sacristan

Volunteer

Church Cleaners

Jan 20 to Feb 3, 2025

Anne Majic, M. DeGuzman, and V. Eustace.

Donate to Holy Family Pilgrimage of Faith

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Pilgrimage of Faith 2024.

Goal: \$20,000.00

Received, November 2024. \$10,437.73

**Variance: \$9,562.27**