

# Welcome to the Roman Catholic Parishes of the Elk Valley



## HOLY FAMILY PARISH FERNIE, BC

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Pastor Office: 250-425-6444

Email: [fernie@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:fernie@nelsondiocese.org)

Website:  
<https://hollyfamilyfernie.ca>

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

**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

Mailing Address:

PO Box 167, V0B 2G0

Parish Office: 250-425-2327

Pastor Office: 250-425-6444

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Pastor's Email:  
[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

## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor's Message – February 16, 2025.



The Jubilee Year 2025 "Pilgrims of Hope" was officially began with the opening

of the Holy Doors in Rome on December 24, 2024, by pope Francis. With the 125th Anniversary of the Cathedral of Mary Immaculate in Nelson also occurring this year, our Diocese is beginning our "Journey of Hope" on December 29, 2024, in Nelson with a solemn Eucharistic Celebration. We have joined the Year of Hope to our annual Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal with the theme "Journey of Hope".

Bishop Gregory Bittman has assigned: Stations of the Cross, Radium for us to have our pilgrimage. Last Thursday, February 9th, we had our East Kootenay, Deanery meeting. All of us unanimously agreed to have our Jubilee year pilgrimage to Radium on April 9, Wednesday at 1 pm beginning with the Stations of the Cross, Confession, Holy Mass and Reception. All are encouraged to receive, Indulgences from the Jubilee of Hope.

## Mass Intentions

Saturday, Feb 15. For repose of Graham Oben requested by Christa Nicholson & Shan Oben.

Sunday, Feb 16. For the repose of Rolly Waechter requested by Celia & Fil Roccamatysi.

Wed, Feb 19 @ Rocky Mountain. For M. S. T.

Wed, Feb 19. Holy Family. For all the souls in purgatory.

## Announcements



Funeral for Birdie Sanders (84), a long-time parishioner of Fernie will be on February 22, Saturday at 1 pm and lunch thereafter in the hall.



Anyone interested to have their first Holy Communion in Holy Family Church, Fernie may meet the priest and learn the primary lessons for

the same. We will schedule it on a Wednesday or Sunday with any Holy Mass.

- Ash Wednesday Mass at Rocky Mountain at 11 am.
- **Holy Family at 12 noon.**



Last Sunday, February 9 marked the potluck supper at Sparwood for the parishioners of Sparwood and Elkford. More than 60 people from Lilac Terrace, Rocky Mountain Village, Fernie, Elkford and Sparwood, participated. Thanks for your cooperation



Appreciation Potluck Supper: February 23, 2025. at 4. 30 pm Church's hall Bring your favorite dish.

**Pilgrimage of Faith:** Let me thank personally to each of you who have contributed to the Diocesan Charitable Trust for supporting various activities of the Church all through the diocese. Almost all of our parishes have reached their goal.

**Sparwood:** Pilgrimage of Faith Target for St. Michael's Church Sparwood had their goal was \$ 5950.00. 26 parishioners from Sparwood contributed \$ 9,163.75. The highest contribution was \$1000.00 and lowest was \$ 20 and got a rebate of \$ 3,213.75.

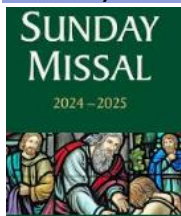
**Elkford:** Pilgrimage of Faith Target for St. Bernard's Church, Elkford, had their goal \$ 1,650.00. Six parishioners from Elkford and three visitors from other parishes contributed \$ 2,255.00. The highest contribution was \$ 400.00 and the lowest was \$ 50.00 and got a rebate of \$ 605.00.

**Fernie:** Pilgrimage of Faith Target for Holy Family Church Fernie had their goal \$ 20, 000.00. Altogether 51 persons from Holy Family parish and Six visitors from six different parishes have contributed to this target. The highest contribution was \$ 2360.00 and lowest contribution was \$ 15.00. **Altogether, we have reached our goal \$ 17,166.73 which was short of \$ 2,833.27.**

Certainly, I am happy and proud of our achievements. Last year we focused our attention from the last months of the year. This year onwards, we will keep our attention from the first month of our target. We will keep the third Sunday of every month as a special day of collection for the Pilgrimage of Faith and we will have a goal for our parishes too which will be a way of collecting fund for a specific reason and use of the parish without diocesan tax.

*Lenten Reconciliation for Children in Sparwood on March 31, Monday at 3.30 pm.*  
*Lenten Reconciliation Service for Fernie, on April 2, Wednesday at 12. 30 pm.*  
*Lenten Reconciliation Service for Sparwood on April 2, Wednesday at 6.30 pm.*

**Sunday Missals 2024- 2025 Available**



Sunday Missals 2024 – 2025  
 Available at the Parish office/Church  
 For Sale



**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 [fernienelsondioces.org](mailto:fernienelsondioces.org)

**Gathering after Mass on Sundays**

**Coffee and Light Snacks**  
**After Sunday Mass**  
**Cancelled** Feb 16, Feb 23.

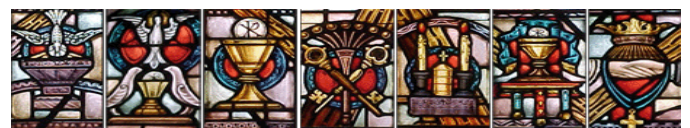
**Volunteers**

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



**Sacraments**

We are happy to assist you. Contact the Parish Office via email [fernienelsondiocese.org](mailto:fernienelsondiocese.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

### Websites to be Connected

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

January 25, 2025

Actual: \$911.23

Budget: \$1,000.00

Variance: (-\$88.77)

Total Contributions YTD

\$5,453.17

e-Transfer for Holy Family

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



### Donate to Holy Family Pilgrimage of Faith

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



### Volunteer Schedule

Saturday, February 15, 2025, 4:00 PM

Liturgical Reader

Theresa Cole-Smith

Sacristan

Volunteer

Sunday, February 16, 2025, 11:00 AM

Liturgical Reader

Angelika Pace

Sacristan

Volunteer

Saturday, February 22, 2025, 4:00 PM

Liturgical Reader

Colin Lynch

Sacristan

Volunteer

Sunday, February 23, 2025, 11:00 AM

Liturgical Reader

Marilyn Bruschetta

Sacristan

Volunteer

Church Cleaners

Feb 17 to March 3, 2025

Angelika Pace and Sue Marcellus  
(Volunteer)