

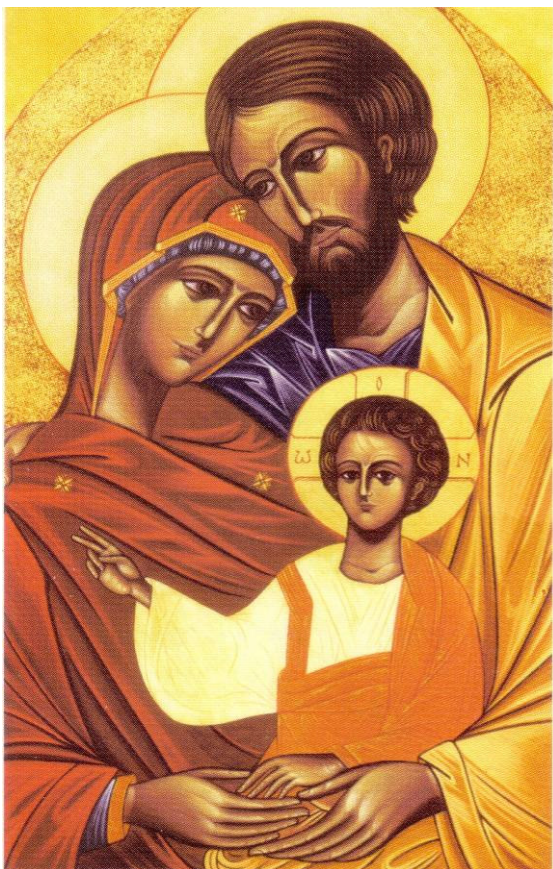


# St. Michael's Parish, Nowra ph 4423 1712

celebrating the Mass Centres of St Michael's Nowra, St Patrick's Berry, Sacred Heart Bomaderry  
Mary Help of Christians -Culburra, St Joseph's Kangaroo Valley, Holy Spirit Vincentia

## Christmas Day (B)

December 25<sup>th</sup> 2005



*To all parishioners and visitors, a very holy, joyful and peaceful Christmas!  
Welcome home to all who are visiting their families for Christmas.*

**NOTE:** There will be **NO** evening Mass in the Parish on Christmas Day

The Christmas edition of the Parish Newsletter is available. It contains many interesting articles written by Parishioners.

**Thank You!** As an expression of appreciation and gratitude for the support and generosity of so many parishioners throughout the year, and especially at Christmas time, a **Triduum of Masses** will be offered for your intentions and needs over the Christmas season.

### Sunday Masses for the Holiday Season:

**Nowra:** ..Vigil 6.00 p.m., 8.00, 9.30am & 6pm  
**Berry**..... 8.00 am.  
**Bomaderry**..... 9.30 am.  
**Culburra**.....Vigil 6.00 p.m. & 8.00 a.m.  
**Vincentia** ..Vigil 6.00 p.m.; 8.00. & 9.30 am.  
**Kangaroo Valley**.....11.00 am  
**Shoalhaven Heads:** Vigil (Sat). 6.00p.m

### **MASSES DURING THE WEEK:**

**Nowra:** Mon. 8.00am, Tues/Wed 8.15am, Thurs. Fri. 7.00am & 11.30am, Sat.9.a.m.  
**Berry: No** Tues. Mass  
**Culburra.:** Thurs. 5.30.p.m.  
**Vincentia:** Mon/Thurs/Fri. 8.00am, Tues /Wed.: 5.30.p.m.  
**K/Valley:**..Mon/Tues/Thurs/Sat. 11.00am (The office of Sext chanted at 10.40am), Wed. 6.20am (Lauds chanted at 6am)

### **Feastdays :**

**Mon. 26<sup>th</sup>** St Stephen – 1st Martyr  
**Tues. 27<sup>th</sup>** St John the Evangelist  
**Wed 28<sup>th</sup>** The Holy Innocents  
**Fri. 30<sup>th</sup>** **The Holy Family.**

### **Feast of Mary Mother of God – New Year's Day.– next Sunday**

A portion of the 'loose money' in Christmas Day 2<sup>nd</sup>. Collection will be disbursed to assist local aged care, and NSW cancer research

VATICAN CITY, DEC. 18, - Visiting his first Roman parish as Pope, Benedict said that joy, and not an expensive present, is the authentic gift of Christmas. In an improvised homily, the Holy Father explained that "joy is the true gift of Christmas, and not the expensive gifts that cost time and money." "And joy we can express in simple ways," he said: "with a smile, a gesture, with helping out a little, with an act of forgiveness. God is close to us, so close that he made himself a child," he said amid the applause of the faithful. The incarnation "is Good News for the world today, where God is absent. A world dominated by fear, uncertainty. A dark world, in which many need anaesthesia in order to live."



We prayerfully remember **Molly Wiseby and Diane Perry** who died this week.  
**Neville Gaughey, Bernadette**

**Markham, Michael Lane, Joan Reid, William Wright, Reg and Mary Houghton, and Roger East** whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

### **DONATE BLOOD & SAVE UP TO 3 LIVES.**

Nowra School of Arts Car park –  
◆ Tues 27 & Wed 28 Dec – 1pm – 6pm  
◆ Thurs 29 & Fri 30 Dec – 10am – 3pm  
◆ Tues 3 & Wed 4 Jan – 1pm – 6pm  
◆ Thurs 5 & Fri 6 Jan – 10am – 3pm  
Visits to Nowra are every 6 weeks. **This site runs by appointment. Please call 13 14 95**

*"The Word was made flesh. He lived among us." – John 1.14*