



St Michael's Parish, Nowra – Tel: 4423 1712 E-mail: office@nowraparish.org.au

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8th Sunday in Ord. Time (Year B)
26 February 2006

SUNDAY MASSES:

Nowra: ...Vigil 6.00pm, 8.00am, 9.30am & 6.00pm
Berry: 8.00am
Bomaderry:..... 9.30am
Culburra:..... Vigil 6.00pm
Vincentia:.....Vigil 6pm & 9.30.am.
Kangaroo Valley: 11.00am

Masses this Week

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES:

Nowra: 7.00am, 11.30am & 7.00pm
B'derry: 8.30am **Berry :** 7.00pm
Culburra: 8.00am **K/Valley:** 11.00am
Vincentia: 8.00am & 7.00pm

Nowra: Mon 7.00am, Tues/Thurs 8.15am,
 Fri. 7am & 11.30am. Sat. 9am.

Holy Hour: Fri. 10.30am **Rosary:** Tues. 10am
Berry: Tues 5.30pm | **Culburra:** Thurs.- 5.30pm
Bomaderry: 1st Friday : 5.45pm
Vincentia:..Mon, Thurs, Fri: 8.00am; Tues: 5.30pm
K/Valley: Mon, Tues, Thurs & Sat 11.00am
 (Divine Office 10.40am) Wed. 6.20am.
Shoalhaven Heads: Fri. 3.30pm.

Confession/Reconciliation:

Nowra: Sat 11.30 – 12.30pm. 5.00 – 5.30pm
Culburra: Sat. 5.30pm.
Berry: Tues. 6.00pm **Kangaroo Valley:** Sat 4.30
Vincentia: Sat 5.00 – 5.30pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Nowra : Fridays of Lent – 7.30.p.m.
Vincentia: .. Fridays during Lent except for the 3rd.
 March (World Day of Prayer)

Y **ST MICHAEL'S YOUNG ADULTS GROUP**
(20-40 years): will meet at **West St Tennis Courts** (near the Showground) for a social evening of **'Tennis under lights'** from 8pm – 9.30pm on 6 March. Refreshments provided.

There will be a guest speaker on 20 March. For inform contact Jodi 4422 3318 or Frances 4422 7791.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL (Compeer) is holding a Mental Health Awareness workshop on 10 March in the Holy Spirit meeting room from 9am – 1pm. For catering purposes RSVP Joyce on 4443 9459.



CALLED TO FOLLOW THE SON

- Bishop Peter Ingham, in his message for the Diocesan Lenten Program, tells us that Lent is a time when we “are invited to do a direction check on where our lives are heading.” We

are all called to “follow the Son” and over the next 5-6 weeks we are given the opportunity to “check our direction” and “look seriously at how we respond to God’s call at our Baptism”.

Program booklets at \$2.00 each will be available at all Church Centres this weekend. Group lists for Nowra/Bomaderry are now on display in the relevant Churches.

N.B. Latecomers are still welcome. Ring Peggy 4421 3417 for contact phone numbers.



MARCH 3rd - WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2006 – Church Women of South Africa, 'The Rainbow Nation', have prepared the

Service. After decades of racism, apartheid & violence they then experienced Truth & Reconciliation'. Now they call us to discern the **'SIGNS OF THE TIMES'** as we pray for South Africa and the world. - an Ecumenical Day of Prayer.

Berry: Presbyterian Church 11.00 am. preceded by morning Tea – 10.15.a.m.

Culburra - St John's Anglican Church 10.00am
Vincentia - Holy Spirit Catholic Church – 10.00am
K/Valley – St Joseph's Catholic Church 7.00pm
Nowra – Presbyterian Church, 2.00pm

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST HIGH SCHOOL will be holding an Open Night & Information evening for parents and their children wishing to enrol for 2007 on Mon 13 March at 7.00pm in the School Hall. Enrolment Applications for Year 7 2007 will be accepted from 14 to 24 March 2006. Enquiries welcome to the school secretary, Mrs Teresa Bourke on 4423 1666.

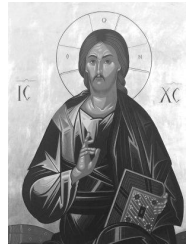


PROJECT COMPASSION – Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or set of envelopes and give generously to the appeal this Lent. Your donations will allow Caritas Australia to reduce poverty and hunger in more than 50 countries around the world.

Bishop Peter will Launch Project Compassion 2006 - at St. John's on Tuesday next Feb. 28th at 10.00 a.m. Parishioners very welcome.

THE OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF VOCATIONS CONGRESS.

On Ash Wed at the 12.10pm Mass at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral, W/gong Bishop Peter will enthrone the icon of Christ – the icon for our Diocesan Vocations Congress. All are invited to attend this Mass during which ashes will also be distributed. For more inform. on this event and the events of the Vocations Congress go to www.dow.org.au/vocations



Catechists' News: Level One Course begins on Monday Mar. 6th.- Demountable Room Nowra It is essential to complete the TEF and to have the authorisation Green Card



We prayerfully remember the recently deceased: **Peter Wilson** (Culburra), **Les Cooper**, (Callala) **Col Etherden** (Berry). Also **Joe Donougher, Ramon Petilla, Blandino and Gaudencio Coloma** whose anniversaries occur at this time - **May they rest in eternal peace.**

FIRST SATURDAY MARIAN DEVOTIONS – Sat 4 March. Reconciliation 8.30am; Mass at 9.00am. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Rosary and Benediction at 9.30am. Morning tea available in Hall after devotions. Everyone is most welcome.

Copies of Lenten regulations and an abridged version of the Bishop's Pastoral Letter are available at the Churches.



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