

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

Website: nowraparish.org.au Incorporates the Church Communities of St Michael, Nowra; St Patrick, Berry Sacred Heart, Bomaderry; Mary, Help of Christians, Culburra; St Joseph, Kangaroo Valley; Holy Spirit, Vincentia.

23rd Sunday in Ord Time (Yr B) 10 September 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 & 9.30am

 Kangaroo Valley:
 11.00am

Masses during the week

Nowra: Mon 7.00am, Tues / Wed / Thurs 8.15am,

Fri 7am & 11.30am, Sat 9.00am.

Rosary: Tues.10am, Morning Prayer: Wed 7.50am

Holy Hour: Friday 10.30am **Berry:** Tuesday – 5.30.p.m. **Culburra:** Thurs. 5.30.p.m.

Bomaderry: First Friday only: 5.45pm

Vincentia: Mon, Thurs, Fri 8am; Tues & Wed 5.30pm **Kangaroo Valley:** Mon/Tues/Thurs & Sat 11am.

Wed. 6.20am (Divine Office 10.45am).

Shoalhaven Heads (C'mty Centre): Friday 3.30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):

Nowra: Sat 11.30 – 12.30; 5.00 – 5.30pm **Culburra:** Sat 5.30pm **Berry:** Tues 6.00pm

Vincentia: Sat 5.00 – 5.30pm K/Valley: Sat 4.30pm

Clergy of the Parish:

Fr Patrick Faherty PP (Nowra) 4423 1712
Fr Richard Healey (Nowra) 4423 1712
Fr Leo Duck (Vincentia) 4441 5571
Fr Ronan Kilgannon (Kangaroo Valley)

Parish Council Chairperson – Mr Neil Wakefield
Parish Finance Chairperson – Mr Bruce Davis

CATECHIST NEWS – Coming events

- o Retreat Day at Berry with Fr Ronan 25 Sep. 9.30.-2pm. (Please take your lunch, mug and a plate of finger food to share for morning tea)
- o Catechist meeting 9.30 11.00am Behaviour management **Mon 23 Oct** Parish meeting room
- o Sat. 11 Nov Annual Catechist Mass, 2pm at St John Vianney's Fair Meadow

. Feastday of the week

Wed 13 - John Chrysostom, bishop, doctor Thurs 14 - Triumph of the Cross

Fri 15 – Our Lady of Sorrows

SONGS OF PRAISE – an Ecumenical concert – to be held **this Sunday afternoon**, 10 Sept in St Michael's Parish Hall commencing at 2pm. Admission is a gold coin donation – light afternoon tea is provided. A very cordial welcome to all.



YOUNG ADULTS: Sat 16 Sept – DEEP IMPACT! – a day retreat for young adults 18 – 40+ at St Patrick's, Berry, 9.30am – 4.00pm, Cost \$15 donation. Morning and afternoon tea will be provided. Details &

bookings Jody 4422 3318 or yag@nowraparish.org.au

PARISH DISABILITY CONNECTIONS – invitation to all volunteers, parents & carers to meet the newly appointed Disability Advocate, Mrs Jacinta Wall – 27 Sept in the Parish meeting room, 2-3pm or 7.30pm.

VINCENTIA SPRING FAIR was held last weekend – and a beautiful Spring day it was. The Fair was, as usual, most successful both financially and socially. Congratulations to the working committee and to all parishioners and friends who supported the day.

Sisters of the Good Samaritan Sesquicentenary :

In 2007 the Sisters of the Good Samaritan will celebrate 150 years since their foundation by Archbishop Polding.

The Sisters are keen to make contact with and celebrate those who have been part of their journey – past students and families and friends. Sister Margaret will be the local contact here in the Shoalhaven. the Sesquicentenary webpage is: www.goodsams.org.au.

SPIRIT ALIVE – will be visiting the Botanic Gardens with Sr Kerry's Shellharbour Group. Spirit Alive will organise a BBQ lunch. Meet 10.30am at Church for car pool





Parish Patronal Saint. At the same time the Parish will take the opportunity of celebrating Fr Pat's **40th Anniversary** to the Priesthood, and a **Farewell** for Fr Ron who has recently taken up his appointment at the Cathedral in Wollongong as Administrator. Following Mass there will be supper in the Hall. Please come along and enjoy such a major Parish event.

The Community of ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH IN K/VALLEY invite you to celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on Thurs 14 Sept at 11am; during Mass a new stained glass window of St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein) will be blessed & dedicated. Mass will be sung in Latin by the Brisbane Schola Cantorum. You are asked to bring a plate of finger food and a chair for a shared garden luncheon afterward. Coffee, tea & drinks will be provided.

WE FAREWELL one of our very dedicated parishioners from the Parish this weekend – JOAN RAMSDELL. Joan has lived in the Parish for approx 27 years, during which time she has been very committed to the P&F at both St. Michael's & St. John's and to a wide range of activities within the Parish, including the Pastoral Council. Joan's final parish event will be 'Songs of Praise' – being held this afternoon. As a parish we owe Joan a great debt of gratitude We wish you every happiness in your move to Lakes Entrance – our loss is their gain.



We prayerfully remember the recently deceased **Edward Kirley** (brother of Marg Nixon) and **Kathleen Williams**. May they rest in eternal peace.

Next Parent Meeting regarding First Reconciliation : Wed. Sept. 20th.- 7.30.p.m. St. Michael's Hall



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NATIONAL CHURCH LIFE SURVEY will be conducted within the Parish this weekend on the recommendation of the Australian Bishops. The questionnaire is extensive and needs to be conducted during Mass. We plan to forgo homilies so as to devote approx. 15 minutes at the end of Mass – prior to the final blessing, to the Survey. Fifteen year olds and upwards are eligible to participate.

For all with failing sight make sure you take your reading Glasses. **Answers are to be marked**

share the holy spirit conference (12th year) 10 – 14 October at St Gregory's College, Campbelltown – special guest Fr John Rea who has a powerful healing ministry. For more information ph Leanne 9624 3322

give your life over to Jesus? The Daughters of St Paul welcome young women interested in committing themselves to Christ. Through a life focused on Jesus, shared in community and committed to our ministry using the media, we are continually challenged to speak about God in new ways to the people of each new generation. Inquiries to Sr Joanna 9746 7170 or www.daughtersofstpaul.org.au