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**The Feast Of the Epiphany (C)**  
**7 January 2007**



## The Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord (Manifestation)

On this Feastday we celebrate a journey that is the pattern of our Christian living

Through the prayerful reflection of generations, the Gospel event that we know as the Epiphany has come to be regarded as having practical and far reaching implications for all believers. *"In an age of globalization, the celebration of Epiphany takes on more importance than ever. The vision of Christ is a light for the whole world. The vision of Christ calls together the whole world and all its peoples. The vision of Christ calls for a healing of divisions and openness to learn from all people. The vision of Christ calls for a just world order – trade policies that respect the economic opportunities of all people especially the poor ..... The story of the magi has implications for many aspects of Church ministry. No one is to be excluded from the light of Christ. Whether we are young or old, female or male, rich or poor, black or white, from the south or the north, from the east or the west, from a famous school or a very ordinary one, employed or unemployed, healthy or sick, born in the US or elsewhere, we are all invited to experience the epiphany..."* (Centre of Concern – Jesuit Fathers USA). The Feast reminds us that the gift of salvation is for all.

We are all obliged to seek the Truth on life's pilgrimage and to share the message.

### Sunday Masses for the Holiday Season:

**Nowra:**...Vigil 6pm, 8.00am, 9.30am & 6.00pm  
**Berry:**..... 8.00am  
**Bomaderry:**.....9.30am  
**Culburra:**.....Vigil 6.00pm, and 8.00 a.m.  
**Vincentia:**..... Vigil 6.00pm, 8.00 & 9.30am  
**S/heads:**..... Vigil 6.00 pm.  
**Kangaroo Valley :** 11.00.am.

### MASSES DURING THE WEEK

**Nowra:** Mon. 7.00.a.m Tues/Wed/Thurs. 8.15 a.m.  
 Fri. 7.00am and 11.30am, Sat. 9.00 a.m.  
**Berry:** Tues. 5.30 pm  
**Culburra :** Thurs. 5.30.p.m.  
**Vincentia:** Mon/Thurs/Fri 8.00 am,  
 Tues/Wed 5.30 pm  
**Kangaroo Valley:** Tues/Thurs and Sat. 11.00am  
 (Divine Office 10.40am), Wed Mass 6.20am. (Lauds at 6am)

### CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION

**Nowra:** Sat 11.30am – 12.30pm,  
**Culburra:** Sat. 5.30pm  
**Vincentia:** Sat 5.00 – 5.30pm

### As we come to the Liturgical conclusion of the Christmas Season let us reflect:

When the song of the angels is stilled,  
 When the star in the sky is gone,  
 When the kings and princes are home,  
 When the shepherds are back with their flock,  
 The work of Christmas begins:

To find the lost,  
 To heal the broken,  
 To feed the hungry,  
 To release the prisoner,  
 To rebuild the nations,  
 To bring peace among others,  
 To make music in the heart.

Howard Thurman, African-American mystic

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### Celebrations marking the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of



the founding of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan by Archbishop Bede Polding will commence with Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral at 11.00.a.m. on Friday February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**The Blessing and Opening of the Refurbished Parish Centre and St Michael's Library and Learning area** will take place on Sunday 18 February. Bishop Peter Ingham will conduct the ceremony and also celebrate the 9.30am Mass to acknowledge the ministry of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan in the Parish since 1893, on this their Sesquicentenary Year.

### The Society of St Vincent de Paul Culburra-Callala.



The Society wishes to sincerely thank everyone who contributed to the Christmas Appeal Dec. 30-31<sup>st</sup>. The total raised was \$1311.80. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

### Feastdays:

Mon January. 8<sup>th</sup>. The Baptism of the Lord.  
**Sat. Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>. Santo Nino-** The Philippino Annual Festival Mass – 9.00.a.m. at St. Michael's

### CLERGY OF THE PARISH: Ph: 4423 1712

Fr Patrick Faherty PP,  
 Fr Richard Healey.....  
 Fr Leo Duck (Vincentia).....Ph: 4441 5571  
 Fr Ronan Kilgannon (K/Valley)



We prayerfully remember : **Irene Henry, Michael Vanzino, Kim Egan, John Lane,** (husband of Alison, Librarian at St. Michael's) all of whom have died over the past week. Also **Yvette Tito, Betty Colnan, Rona Wakefield and Christopher McManus** whose anniversaries occur at this time

**Requiem Mass for John Lane on Thursday**  
**11 Jan at 1.30pm at St Michael's**