



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.

Third Sunday in Lent (Yr C)
11th March 2007

Sunday Masses

Nowra: Vigil 6pm 8am, 9.30am & 6pm
Berry: 8am
Bomaderry: 9.30am
Culburra: Vigil 6pm
Vincentia: Vigil 6pm and 9.30am
Kangaroo Valley: 11am.

MASSES DURING THE WEEK

Nowra: Mon 7am Tues, Wed, Thurs 8.15am
Fri 7am and 11.30am, Sat. 9am

Morning Prayer: Wed 7.50am; **Holy Hour:** Fri 10.30am

Berry: Tues. 5.30pm,

Fri next 16th Vigil Mass for St Patrick's Feastday **6.30pm**

Bomaderry : 1st Fridays only 5.45pm

Culburra: Thurs. 5.30pm (Rosary before)

Vincentia: Mon/Fri 8.00am – **Please note:** No Mass on Tues, Wed or Thurs – Fr Leo will be on his Annual Retreat 12–16 Mar

Kangaroo Valley: Mon/Tues/Thurs and Sat. 11.00am (Divine Office 10.40am), Wed Mass 6.20am (Lauds at 6am)

Shoalhaven Heads (Community Centre) Fri. 3.30pm

CONFESSION / RECONCILIATION

Nowra: Sat 11.30am – 12.30pm, 5.00-5.30pm

Culburra: Sat 5.30pm, **Berry** Tues. 6.00pm

Vincentia: Sat 11 - 11.30am and 5 – 5.30pm

2nd Rite of Reconciliation

Friday 30 March at 7.30pm at St Michael's Nowra.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Nowra: Fridays 7.00pm.

K.Valley: Fridays 5.00pm.

Vincentia: Following 8.00am Mass each Fri of Lent

Culburra : Tues. March 20th. 11.00.a.m.

CLERGY OF THE PARISH

Fr Patrick Faherty PP VG 4423 1712

Fr Richard Healey (Nowra) 4423 1712

Fr Leo Duck (Vincentia) 4441 5571

Fr Ronan Kilgannon (Kangaroo Valley)



ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST HIGH SCHOOL,

Nowra is holding an information evening and open night for interested parents & students looking to enrol in Year 7 in 2008 on Tues 13 March at 7pm in the school hall. Enrolments will

be accepted from 14 to 30 March 2007. Enquiries – Mrs Josephine Geer 4423 1666.



OPEN WIDE THE DOORS TO CHRIST – the third session is titled “**A Community of welcome.**” How has your understanding of Eucharist shifted from a private event which we must attend to a community celebration where all are welcomed?...The biggest struggle we face

is changing our attitude. Mass is not a private event... If you have any queries about the program please contact Peggy 4421 3417 or Francene 4421 5962



HAVE YOU BOOKED YOUR DATE WITH THE POPE? World Youth Day 2008 is coming! It will be a huge spiritual event involving over 600,000 people of all ages. Come to ‘**Get with the Spirit**’, a gathering to introduce you to **WYD08**, 7.30 – 9.00pm here in **our Parish on 22 March** and discover how you can get involved. Pick up some flyers from the back of the Church to help spread the word.

YOUNG ADULTS – on Mon 19 March, **Fr Ronan** will be guest speaker – topic ‘**The Carthusian hermits**’ who were founded by St Bruno 1000 years ago. "The cross is steady while the world is turning". All welcome. For information please contact Jody 4422 3318 or Frances 4422 7791.

CULBURRA FAMILY GROUP. On Sun 25 March at 10.00am a walk, beginning and ending at the picnic area of Currarong's 'Bosom Beach' (near the creek) has been organised. If you do not wish to walk, please join us for a picnic lunch at 1.00pm. (Contact Paul & Marg Casey 44464117)

SHOALHAVEN BEREKAH GROUP will next meet on Mon 26 March at 6.30pm in St Michael's Parish Hall foyer for dinner reflection and conversation. Please bring a plate to share, wine optional. For information or to advise coming please ring Hetty 0405 136 110 or Karen 4423 4676

ST MICHAEL'S PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL is currently inviting families to enrol Kinder children for 2008. Children must turn 5 by 30 June, 2008. Enrolment packages are available at the School office.



St Michael's Parish Directory is now available on the parish website as a single document and in each of the seven sections. Have a look and contact the Parish Centre if there are any changes.



Project Compassion: During Lent God calls us to look deeply into our hearts so that destructive behaviours in our relationships can be transformed into love, compassion and forgiveness. This week Project

Compassion takes us to South Africa where Caritas Australia is providing practical and emotional care for families living with HIV and AIDS. **Your donation to Project Compassion will ensure this support for people living with HIV and AIDS continues.**

MOTHER RUTH SCHOLARSHIP FUND – THEATRE GALA – Wed 21 March – “**The Kidnap Game**” at the Nowra Players, B'derry. Adults \$25, Students \$20 which includes Champagne on arrival and extended interval supper. Contact Denise 0419 248 889 or 4423 2299 (bh). Money must be in to ensure the seat is yours.

This week's Lenten Program reflects on hospitality and commitment. Now is your opportunity to be involved in making our Liturgy an even more meaningful and vibrant experience – there will be practice at St Michael's (with Fr Richard) for a **lead-group for Holy Week and Easter Liturgies** on Tues 13 March at 7.00pm in St Michael's Church.

ST PATRICK'S BERRY a Vigil Mass will be celebrated at 6.30pm on Friday 16 March to honour the Feast. Mass will be followed with Supper in the Hall, and a DVD on St. Patrick. Please bring a plate of finger food to share.

RESULTS OF THE NATIONAL CHURCH LIFE SURVEY that was conducted in our Parish last September have been placed on the Parish Website: nowraparish.org.au



We prayerfully remember **Sheila Yates, Ted Kenny** (Brian's brother) and **Noreen Lumsden** who died recently. Also **Jim Dempsey** **Desmond McDevitt, Ramon Petilla** and all whose anniversaries occur. May they rest in eternal peace.

REVESBY CYO 50 year reunion Sat 28 April commencing with Mass at 6pm at St Luke's, River Rd., Revesby followed by a 3 course dinner at Bankstown Golf Club. For bookings/information contact Jan Boon 9579 3371 or janboon@bigpond.net.au