



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.

5th Sunday of Easter (Yr C)
13 May 2007 (Mothers' Day)

Sunday Masses:

NOWRA 6pm Vigil; 8am, 9.30am & 6pm
BERRY 8.00am
BOMADERRY 9.30am
CULBURRA BEACH 6pm Vigil
VINCENTIA: 6pm Vigil; 8.00am & 9.30am
KANGAROO VALLEY 11.00am

MASSES DURING THE WEEK –

Nowra: Mon 7am; Tues. Wed. Thurs. 8.15am
 Fri. 7.00am and 11.30am; Sat. 9.00am.
Holy Hour: Friday 10.30am
Berry: Tues 5.30pm
Culburra: Thurs 5.30pm
Bomaderry: 1st Friday(only) 5.45pm
Vincentia: Mon/ /Thur/Fri 8.00am Tue/ Wed 5.30pm.
Kangaroo Valley: Mon/Tues/Thurs/Sat : 11.a.m.
 (Divine Office 10.40.a.m.) Wed. 6.20.a.m..
Shoalhaven Heads Friday 3.30p.m.

Confession/Reconciliation :

Nowra: Sat 11.30.-12.30pm. 5.00 - 5.30pm.
Culburra: Sat. 5.30pm. **Berry:** Tues. 6.00pm.
Bomaderry: 1st Fri. 5.15pm.
Vincentia: Sat. 5.00-5.30pm.

Dates to note:

- First Holy Communion will be celebrated in the Parish on 19/20 May.
- Diocesan Mass celebration 150th anniversary of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan - Sun 3 June. Cathedral 2pm
- Taize Evening at St. Michael's Fri. May 25th. 7.30.p.m.
- Missions annual Appeal Sun 17 June.
- Confirmation: Sunday 24 June.



We prayerfully remember, **Bill Egan**- a life long faithful parishioner and Catechist, who died suddenly during the week; **Joseph Kashmer, Kevin (Mick) Seymour, and Carmel Thomas. Also John Ireland** (1st Anniversary) and **Alan McRae** whose anniversaries occur. May they rest in eternal peace

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION HAS NOW BEGUN - 2007 All Confirmation Candidates and parents will need to attend the Signs and Symbols 'Evening at St. Michael's Hall on Tuesday May 15th. 7.00 – 8.00.p.m.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION will be celebrated in the Parish next weekend. Due to the large numbers of participants and family members attending the 9.30am Mass in Nowra & Vincentia it is suggested that parishioners attend an alternate Mass if possible. There is an extra Mass at 8.00am in Vincentia on Sunday next.

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS COMMUNITY –CULBURRA will be celebrating their Feastday on Sat 26 May at the Vigil Mass, followed by a light supper in the Hall. Please bring a plate of finger food to share.



TAIZE CHANT – Celebrating Pentecost – Fri 25 May 2007 at 7.30pm at St Michael's Church, Nowra to be followed by a cup of tea in the Parish Centre.

GOOD SAMARITAN ROSE DRIVE – A special rose will be launched in July as part of the celebrations of the Good Samaritan Sesquicentenary year. For 2 weeks during May St John's High School is conducting a drive to support the sale of the rose. Orders will be taken after all Masses at St Michael's Church during the weekends of 12/13 and 19/20 May. Cost \$25 – delivery arrangements will be advised closer to delivery.



HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY to Norm Muller of Berry. Parishioners are invited to 'Drop in for a cuppa and a chat' on Sat 19 May from 10.00am onwards at 21 Albany St., Berry

ST MICHAEL'S P & F will be holding a Trivia Night on Fri 25 May in the Parish Hall – Cost \$15 per person (tables of 10), which includes nibbles throughout the night, tea & coffee. RSVP by 18 May. Please send money & names to the school office or Phone Barb 0428 632 898. (Forms available at the school office) Don't worry if you haven't got a full team we will put you on a table (with some winners of course!)



WORLD YOUTH DAY 08 – don't forget to look up the Diocesan Web Site – www.wyd08wooll.org for information about activities in the Diocese.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL. This week is National Volunteer Week and the **Sacred Heart Care Conference, B'derry**, really need new members to help with the visiting of sick, aged and lonely in the community. It is not hard work, but very rewarding and only takes a few hours per month of your time. For further information please contact Judy 4421 8565 or Kath 4422 3592.

A NUMBER OF PARISHIONERS have expressed an interest in re-forming a branch of the Catholic Women's League in the Nowra/Berry/Bomaderry area (of course parishioners of other areas are welcome). A meeting will be held on Tuesday 29 May in the Parish Centre at 10.30am. For further information please ring Anne Rouen on 4421 2083 or Marie Hanley 4448 5347 or the Parish Office.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - a parishioner has indicated an interest in re-commencing Children's Liturgy during the 9.30am Mass in Nowra. To do this effectively there needs to be a group involved. Resource activity sheets will be available through the Parish. If you would like to help in this very valuable Liturgical Ministry please contact Robbie at the Parish Office.

ST JOHN'S HIGH SCHOOL will be holding a meeting on Tues 22 May at 7.30pm to discuss preparation/organisation of the school's 20th Birthday in 2009. All parents, parishioners, past & present staff & pupils are invited to attend. For information please contact Jo Geer on 4423 1666 (w) or 4234 3567 (h)

AN INVITATION TO a Diocesan Mass to mark 150 years since the foundation of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan. Sunday 3 June at 2pm at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral, W'gong. The Sisters would appreciate the presence of parishioners and friends from Nowra Parish and those who have worked with them or been taught by them over the years. It would be helpful for catering if an RSVP could be given on 4253 0900.

CATECHIST INSERVICE DAY – 14 May at St Pius X School, Unanderra from 9.30am – 2pm. BYO lunch. To enrol phone Leonie Green 4285 0916 or Sr Joan Goodwin 4272 9980. Topic "How to hook your children in your religion lesson!" K-6. Presenter Sr Joan Goodwin, rsj.



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ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY SHOP Nowra have a variety of pious gifts suitable for 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation available. Should you require something different don't hesitate to speak to staff.