



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.

Feast of Christ the King [Year C]

25th November 2007

Sunday Masses:

NOWRA 6pm Vigil; 8am, 9.30am & 6pm
BERRY8.00am
BOMADERRY9.30am
CULBURRA BEACH 6pm Vigil
VINCENTIA6pm Vigil; 9.30am
KANGAROO VALLEY 11.00am

MASSES DURING THE WEEK –

Nowra: Mon 7.00am Tues/Wed/Thurs 8.15am
 Fri. 7.00am and 11.30am; **Holy Hour:** Friday 10.30am
1st Saturday Devotions: Reconciliation at 8.30am.
Mass: 9.00am followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Rosary.
Berry: Tuesday 5.30pm., **Culburra:** Thurs.5.30pm
Bomaderry: First Friday only 5.45pm
Vincentia: Mon, Thur, Fri 8.00am Tue, Wed 5.30pm.
Kangaroo Valley: Thurs, Sat 11am
 (Divine Office 10.40am) Wed. 6.20am.
Shoalhaven Heads Friday 3.30pm.

Confession/Reconciliation:

Nowra: Sat 11.30.-12.30pm. 5.00 - 5.30pm.
Culburra: Sat. 5.30pm. **Berry:** Tues. 6.00pm.
B'derry: 1st Fri. 5.15pm.; **K Valley:** Sat. 4.30 - 5pm
Vincentia: Sat. 5 - 5.30pm.

Priests of the Parish

Nowra: Fr Pat Faherty, Parish Priest.....4423 1712
 Fr Richard Healey.....4423 1712
Vincentia: Fr Leo Duck.....4441 5571
Kangaroo Valley: Fr Ronan Kilgannon

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

- ❖ 8 Dec – Christmas Party following Mass, in the Church grounds. All welcome – please bring a plate.
- ❖ 15 Dec – Combined Churches of Culburra will be holding Christmas Carols at the Culburra School at 7.30pm. All welcome. More information to follow.
- ❖ **Christmas raffle** – tickets are being sold now – Donations for the hamper will be much appreciated.



WORLD YOUTH DAY – The WYD Cross & Icon arrives on **Sat 8 Dec.** You are invited to participate in a **Youth Rock Mass** at St Mary's College Hall, 15 Harbour St, Woll'gong at 7pm. We gather in thanksgiving and worship with Bishop Peter, the diocesan choir, the **Set Apart Band** and **Joseph Gateau.** Be one of the first to welcome and pray with the WYD Cross and Icon in our diocese. For more info email Amanda wyd08@nowraparish.org.au.



YOUNG ADULTS – will be holding a **Gingerbread House Making night** as a fundraising event towards **WYD08** – on Sat 15 Dec, 7pm in the Parish Hall. Cost - \$25 per kit - includes the house, lollies, wrapping & supper. If you can't make it

on the night take-home kits are available for \$20. Best House competition, games & prizes, carols & children's Christmas Play. Tea/coffee provided and cold drinks (\$1 ea). Please provide name, number of people, number of kits (usually one per family/group) and money to the Parish Centre, St John's or St Michael's school front office by Fri 30 Nov. Talk to Shannon 4421 3440 or Frances 4422 7791.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY BOOKSTALLS.

This weekend, the travelling bookstall is at **Nowra.** Please take time to have a look at what is on offer. Great gift ideas at reduced prices.



DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

- 1st & 2nd Dec** – St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal
- Sat 8 Dec-** Lydian Singers, St Patrick's Berry
- Sun 9 Dec** – Annual Disability Awareness Mass
- Sat 15 Dec** – WYD fund raiser – Ginger Bread House making – St Michael's Hall.
- Wed 19 Dec** – 2nd Rite of Reconciliation, 7.00pm

ANOINTING OF THE SICK & HEALING MASS

- ❖ **Vincentia** – Sat 8 Dec, 10.30am, followed by a light luncheon – please bring a plate to share. If anyone needs transport please ring Sr Val on 4441 7035

CATECHISTS' CORNER –

- ❖ Catechist Mass and morning tea – this Monday: 9.30am in St Michael's Church, Nowra followed by morning tea in the Parish Centre. Please bring a plate to of finger food to share.
- ❖ Co-ordinators, please bring approx numbers for 2009 classes (if you have them)
- ❖ Thank you to everyone who expressed an interest in becoming catechists. We still need 4 more generous folk. Please ring Lyn 4423 1009 for information.
- ❖ Congratulations to Yvonne Berringer and Joyce Buttle who have been awarded **Life Membership of the Catechist Ministry** for 30+ years of service.

ST ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, NOWRA, invite CWL members and all parishioners to "Christmas & St Andrew's Day Happy Hour" on Fri 30 Nov from 10am – trading table, morning tea and entertainment.

ADVENT PROGRAM -

be a gift to others this Christmas

- o As we prepare presents and messages, let us pause to consider how we are present to others and what message we are to others. **Called and Gifted by Christ** is a program reflecting on our Christian calling, and also considers how we may share our time, talents and treasure this Christmas. Cost \$1.
 - o **The Little Blue Book** – cost \$3
- Both available from all Mass Centres this weekend.



CHRISTMAS PARISH NEWSLETTER – if you or your Parish Group have an article that would be of interest to the Parish please submit it to the Parish Centre before Fri 30 Nov. – earlier if possible.

BANGLADESH: It is feared the number of people killed by the recent cyclone - will rise by the hundreds with more than 2,200 already dead. Many thousands are left totally destitute. Pope Benedict has appealed for international solidarity and has encouraged people to make "every possible effort to help these brothers and sisters who have been so sorely tried." Caritas is accepting donations to assist victims of the Cyclone.