



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

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4th Sunday in Lent [Year A]

2 March 2008

Sunday Masses:

NOWRA6pm Vigil; 8am, 9.30am & 6pm
BERRY..... 8.00am
BOMADERRY..... 9.30am
CULBURRA.....6pm Vigil
VINCENTIA..... 6pm 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, Sat 9.00am

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

Berry: Tues 5.30pm..... **Culburra:** Thurs 5.30pm

Bomaderry: First Friday only 5.45pm (this Friday)

Vincentia: Mon, Thur, Fri 8.00am, Tues /Wed 5.30pm

S'haven Heads; Friday 3.30.p.m.

Kangaroo Valley: Mon/Tues/Thurs/Sat 8.00am;
 Wed 6.15am. Divine Office is chanted 15 mins prior to
 Mass. No Mass on Fridays.

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 – 5.00pm

Vincentia: Lent - Sat. 11.00 – 11.30am & 5 - 5.30pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

St Michael's Nowra: Fridays at 7.00pm

Vincentia: After the 8.00am Mass each Fri of Lent

K/Valley: Stations and Benediction Friday 5.00pm

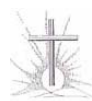
SCHOOL ENROLMENTS FOR 2009

▪ **ST MICHAEL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL** – applications
 for enrolment for 2009 are available from the School
 Office from Mon 18 Feb. Interviews in May.

ST JOHN'S HIGH SCHOOL – applications accepted
 from 5 March to 28 March. Enquiries Mrs Josephine
 Geer 4423 1666

CATECHISTS' INFORMATION - **Level 1** course will
 commence tomorrow at the Parish centre 9.30 –
 2.00pm. BYO lunch.

Year 6 books will be distributed this week.



We prayerfully remember **Bernard O'Neill**
 (Nowra) who died this week . Also **Frances**
Dowling, and Sheila Yates whose
 anniversaries occur at this time. *May they rest*
in eternal peace.

PARISH COMMEMORATION OF THE PASCHAL

MEAL – 16 March. All parishioners, children & friends
 are invited to take part in this lead-up to Holy Week.
 Please contact Peggy, Francene or any group leader to
 be placed on a table or form your own group.

Lenten Group Leaders – please organise your groups
 for the Paschal Meal. Numbers should be given to
 Maree McMillan 4421 8516, Peggy 4421 3417 or
 Francene 4421 5962. Final numbers by Mon 10 March.

CONFIRMATION 2008 It is essential parents and
 candidates attend one of the following meetings as it
 provides an opportunity to meet on a personal level with
 the Priests of the Parish and other parents.

- **Berry** Tuesday 4 March – 6.15pm after Mass
- **Nowra/B'derry** – St Michael's Church Tues 11 and
 Thurs 13 March, both at 7.00pm or following the 6pm
 Vigil Mass Sat 8 March
- **Culburra** – Thursday 13 March, 6.15pm after Mass
- **Vincentia** – Thursday 6 March at 7.30pm

1ST HOLY COMMUNION 2008 – Parents Only

- Nowra at St Michael's Hall Nowra on Wed 12 March,
 7.30pm

- Holy Spirit Meeting Room, Vincentia, Thurs 13 March
 at 7.30pm

'YOUTH MINISTRY' After much thought & deliberation
 the Parish Pastoral Council, with the support of Fr Pat
 has decided to initiate a process to develop both a
 strategic plan and the structure to implement a 'youth
 ministry' within our wide and diverse parish with a view
 to building on the outcomes of WYD08. The Council
 needs to identify interested people (**both youth and**
adults) from **each** of the parish centres willing to assist
 in the development and implementation of the strategy.
 If you are interested in becoming part of this much
 needed and indeed exciting new Youth initiative, please
call Grant Gleeson (Council Sec.) on 0411 039 941 or
 send an **email ggleeson@mh.com.au** or **phone the**
Parish office or **email office@nowraparish.org.au**
 Following the reception of expressions of interest, a
 meeting of interested parishioners will be convened as
 soon as is practicable. At that meeting the concept of
 the draft strategy will be presented and explained.



WYD08 – A FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE – to
 assist young parishioners to attend WYD08
 in Sydney – a recipe book will be compiled
 using **your favorite recipes** – all categories
 welcome. The book will be professionally

produced in an A5 booklet size. Support in this venture
 is also being sought with local Catholic business
 people by their **advertising** throughout the book, in
 either a ½ or full page advertisement – the cost is very
 reasonable. For information about advertising ring
 4422 7791 or email your favourite recipe to Frances at
francestherese@hotmail.com or drop into the Parish
 office, or in an envelope marked to Robbie's attention at
 Mass on Sunday. Books should sell for approx. \$6.00

The Parish will be producing 20,000 A5 size full
 colour leaflets advertising the activities of the Journey
 of the Cross & Icon in the Parish commencing 29
 March. It would be greatly appreciated if everyone
 could take a handful and distribute them to the homes
 in your street so that everyone knows what is
 happening. They should be **available next weekend.**
Camp Out with Cross & Icon Sat 29 - Sun 30 March.
 Where: Glenmack Park Camping Ground, Kangaroo
 Valley. Cost: \$10 for camping (further costs for cabins &
 canoeing). Includes a 7.30pm Mass on the riverbank
 with Bishop Peter. Families are welcome!

Light of the Cross Festival Fri 4 April from 5.00pm.
 Large festival at WIN Entertainment Centre as part of
 our Journey of the Cross & Icon celebrations, including
 hundreds of talented young people and featuring a
 major act

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER – 7 March.

- **MARY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS, CULBURRA** –
 10.00am - Morning tea provided in the hall.
- **ST MICHAEL'S, NOWRA** – 2.30pm (in the Church) -
 Afternoon tea will follow in the Parish Centre
- **BERRY** – 10.15am morning tea – Liturgy at 11am in
 St Patrick's Church
- **VINCENTIA** – 10.00am at Uniting Church, Meriton
 St., St Georges Basin



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Project Compassion We are called to bring life to our brothers and sisters in need. This week's story from Caritas Australia highlights the courage and resilience of a young woman called Monicah who has emerged from violent physical and sexual abuse with renewed self-esteem, life skills and renewed family ties! Your donation to Project Compassion will allow Caritas Australia to continue providing practical and emotional support for people living with HIV and AIDS.

WARATAH DAY CLUB B'DERRY – a Senior's Day Club meeting every Mon 10am – 2pm in the B'derry RSL Club. Morning tea & lunch provided – cost \$5 ea. week. Information call Sandra 4422 5342, Tony 4422 3592

HYMN SINGING FOR ALL – at All Saints Anglican Church from 2-3pm – 1st Sun of every month – all the old favourites.

SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB W'GONG – speaker Bishop Geoffrey Robinson at the Bulli Heritage Hotel, Princes Hwy, Bulli – Tues 26 Feb 7.30-9.00pm. More Info: Peter 0439 918 307 or Janet 4283 1722