



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.

Fifth Sunday (Year A)

6 February 2011

Sunday Masses:

Nowra Vigil 6^{pm}; 8^{am} 9.30^{am} & 6^{pm}
Berry 8^{am}
Bomaderry 9.30^{am}
Culburra Beach Vigil 6^{pm}
Vincentia Vigil 6^{pm} & 9.30^{am}
Kangaroo Valley 11^{am}.

Weekday Masses:

Nowra Mon 7^{am} Tues, Wed & Thurs 8.15^{am}
 Friday 7^{am} & 11.30^{am} Sat 9^{am} **Please Note: Morning Prayer of the Church will recommence Weds at 7.50^{am}**
Berry Tues 5.30^{pm} **Culburra** Thurs 5.30^{pm}
Vincentia Mon, Thurs, Fri 8^{am} Tues, Wed 5.30^{pm}
Kangaroo Valley Mon, Tues, Thurs, Sat 8^{am}
 Wed 6.15^{am} Divine Office is prayed 15 mins before Mass.
S'haven Heads: recommencing this Fri (4 Feb) at 3.30^{pm}

Confession ~ Reconciliation

Nowra Sat 9.30^{am}-10.30^{am} & 5^{pm}- 5.30^{pm}
Culburra Beach Sat 5.30^{pm} **Berry** Tues 6^{pm}
Kangaroo Valley Sat 4.30 – 5^{pm}
Vincentia Sat 5^{pm} – 5.30^{pm}

We prayerfully remember the recently deceased: **Paula Schlick, Frank Tracaneli, Joseph Shanahan** (Tamworth). Also **Maisie Brodie, Regina Werda, and Mathilda Hulsman** whose anniversaries occur. May they rest in eternal peace.



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Feastday: Thurs 10 Feb, **St Scholastica**



Nowra CWL members meet on **Tues 8 Feb** in the Parish Centre, beginning with morning tea at 9.30^{am} and the meeting starts at 10^{am}.

Vincentia Catechists will meet to commence the year on **Thursday 10 February, at 10^{am}** in the Hall.

Nowra Catechists meet Mon 7 Feb, 9.30^{am}, in the Parish Centre. **Vacancies** exist at Cambewarra School Yr 5/6 Thursday afternoons & Callala Bay 3/4 & 5/6 on Fridays. If you can possibly help ring Lyn, 4423 1009.



Our Parish Lenten Program 'Rediscovering God' commences the week beginning Mon 7 March (Berry/Shoal Hds -14 March). Lists for Nowra / Bomaderry should be available in the respective churches this weekend. Please write your name on the group you wish to attend (max of 10 per group). For any queries contact **Francene 4421 5962** or **Peggy 4421 3417**.

Area Contacts:

Berry / S'Heads: Sr Patricia 4421 2260
Callala Joyce Buttel 4446 5569
Culburra Beach: Jean Helliwell 4447 3018
Curarong Connie Heap 4448 3157
K Valley Fr Ronan
Vincentia Fr Leo 4441 5571

Dates to note:

- Ash Wednesday : March 9th
- Confirmation: July 2nd. (Saturday)
- First Reconciliation: Early September.
- First Holy Communion; November 20th. Feast of Christ the King.

St Michael's St Vincent de Paul Conference: envelopes are in the foyer of the Church for ongoing donations towards the **Flood Victims' Appeal**

Bomaderry Cleaning Roster is about to be updated. If you have any changes to be made please notify Colleen Blundell by the end of February on **4421 4448**.

Euthanasia – (an extract from the Homily of Bishop Fisher, at the Mass held at St Mary's Cathedral to mark the start of the legal year SMH), " Euthanasia is contrary to the ideals of justice and charity and would corrupt society." Bishop Fisher warned the legal fraternity who gathered for the 81st annual Red Mass that "state-sanctioned killing undermined the legitimacy of the state and its criminal law. Even were such a proposal to gain a parliamentary majority this would not make it right," he said.

Bishop Fisher called on those gathered - including NSW Attorney-General, and leading judges and barristers - to resist efforts to legalise voluntary euthanasia.

New Diocesan Mass Setting Workshop: A new musical setting will replace the Mass of Jubilation which has been in use since 2003. All musicians, singers and anyone interested in Church music are encouraged to attend a workshop to present the new setting **Saturday, 19 February at Fairy Meadow Parish Hall, 10.00^{am} - 3.00^{pm}**. RSVP on 4253 0900 or email reception@woll.catholic.org.au



Bishop Greg O'Kelly, (Port Pirie) Chairman of the Bishops' Commission for Catholic Education, has marked the start of the new school year with a tribute to the work of teachers,

particularly those who work in Catholic schools.. *"In Australian Catholic schools there are around 50,000 teachers. They have an enormous influence on the formation of young people. I am grateful for our teachers' professional commitment to Catholic education and their personal witness to values the Catholic school holds most dear"*, he said.

"The Catholic Church has always placed a high value on teaching young people. This goes back to Jesus' own ministry where he placed children at the centre of his attention (Mark 10:13-. And this age-old commitment has resulted, in our own country, in one child in five in Australia attends a Catholic school... Teachers have an extraordinary responsibility. A recent Vatican document describes teaching as one of humanity's 'most excellent and creative activities'. The personal relationship between teacher and student is neither simply utilitarian nor even just professional. There is a spiritual dimension to this relationship that aids the human formation of the student far beyond the subject matter at hand".

St Vincent de Paul has a range of religious items available for sale in their shop, Berry St, Nowra. Items are available from the Pious Goods Stand during shop hours.