



Sunday Masses:

NOWRA.....6pm 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
Friday 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
Vincentia: Mon/Thur/Fri 8.00am..... Tues/Wed 5.30pm
Shoalhaven Heads: Friday 3.30pm Community Centre.
Kangaroo Valley: Mon/Tues/Thurs/Sat 8.00am
Wed 6.15am. Divine Office is prayed 15 mins prior to Mass.
No Mass on Fridays.

Confession ~ Reconciliation

Nowra:Sat 9.30-10.30am & 5.00- 5.30pm
Culburra: Sat 5.30pm. **Berry:** Tues 6.00pm
Kangaroo Valley: .. Sat 4.30 – 5pm
Vincentia: .. Sat 5 –5.30pm

We prayerfully remember the recently deceased :

Charles Power (Culburra). Also **Ann Monteith**
whose anniversary occurs. **May they rest in
eternal peace.**



FEASTDAYS:

Tuesday 21 June, **Aloysius Gonzaga**
Friday 24 June; **Birth of John the Baptist**

St Michael's Youth Group: Social Event at
Shoalhaven City Lanes, **Sun 19 June** (tonight), at 4pm,
followed by 6pm Mass. For more info email
youth@nowraparish.org.au

Implementing the New Translation of the Mass –This week
brochures numbered 5 & 6 will be distributed. These
brochures have been prepared by the Diocesan Liturgical
Commission to clarify and assist us to understand the new
translation of the Order of Mass. *Please take the brochures
home and keep them to read. There will be seven in total.*

Vincentia Reconciliation classes commence in the
Holy Spirit Hall **Mon 18 July**, 3.45pm-5pm. This is the
day school recommences after mid-year break.
Contact Sr Val, 4441 7035, for enrolment.

The Blessed Trinity: *“There is nothing else in our
belief more surely a revelation than the Blessed
Trinity - no human thinking or imagination could
contrive anything so profoundly unique” (Catechism)*

The celebration of Confirmation; Sat July 2nd.
Two sessions; 2.00pm and 6.00pm.
A reflection-Prayer time for all Candidates, and
Parents at St Michael's Church- Wednesday next
June 22nd at 7.00pm.

Week of Prayer – Celebrating the Gift

of the Eucharist. During last year's
diocesan pastoral planning consultation,
there was very strong feedback
regarding the desire to deepen our
understanding and experience of the
Eucharist. As one way of honouring this
desire within our Diocese we are
encouraged to focus our prayer and
reflection on the Eucharist and Eucharistic life during
the week of **26 June to Sunday 3 July**. We hope to
take to heart the words of St Augustine, *“you are what
you have received”* and the words of the fourth
Eucharistic prayer *“that they may truly become a living
sacrifice in Christ to the praise of your glory.”*
**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on
26 June (Corpus Christi) after 9.30am Mass until 12
midday at St Michael's.**



Celebrating NAIDOC Week. (National Aborigines and
Islanders Day Observance Committee) Today, NAIDOC
is a celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
cultures and an opportunity to recognise the
contributions of Indigenous Australians in various fields.
Our Diocese encompasses the traditional lands of the
Dharawal, Tharawal, Gundungurra and Yuin nations.
**There will be a Diocesan Liturgy for NAIDOC week
celebrated by Bishop Peter Ingham at St Michael's
Church, 20 North Street, Nowra at 1.30pm on
Sunday, 3 July.** The theme for this year's celebration
is: *“Change – The Next Step is Ours.”* All are welcome.

**REDKITE supporting children through cancer –
Fundraising Concert. Thurs, 23 June, 7.30^{pm},
Wollongong Town Hall.** Performers include: Pianist
Ambre Hammond; Arcadians Lamplighters Male Choir;
Cellist Ilir Merxhushi (the Paul Halley Quartet); Violinist
Joy Liu (Sarah Hindson protégé); Illawarra Choral
Society; Wollongong Conservatorium Flute Ensemble and
Mark Matthews (ABC Radio presenter). **Cost – donation at
the door (tax receipt available).**

Dear Parishioners:

*In last week's Bulletin I spoke briefly of the
importance of parishioners, as best they can, making a
commitment to Parish Planned Giving. I noted that the
current pattern of Planned Giving is statistically identical
with that of seven years ago; which of course in real
monetary value terms is not good.
In the near future the following maintenance projects
are on the agenda: Painting and carpeting of St
Michael's, interior painting of Kangaroo Valley, pier
fortification underneath the Berry Church, external
painting of Bomaderry Church.
New Planned Giving Envelopes are now available at the
Church this week-end. I encourage new parishioners
and those not already committed to Planned Giving to
consider making a regular commitment. Commitment
Cards are available at the Churches. My sincere thanks
and appreciation for your ongoing financial support of
Parish needs and ministries. Fr.P.J. Faherty (Parish
Priest)*

MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES MASS 2011. If you are
celebrating **25, 40, 50 or 60 years** of marriage this year
and would like an invitation to the Mass to be celebrated
by Bishop Peter Ingham at **St John Vianney's Church,
Fairy Meadow on Sunday, 7 August 2011 at 2.00pm,**
please contact Helen Bennett at the Office of the Bishop
and an invitation will be sent to you. Telephone 4253
0934 or email helen.bennett@woll.catholic.org.au

FAITH & LIFE July – December 2011. If you would like
to advertise a Faith, Spirituality or Formation Event in the
upcoming issue of the Faith & Life calendar, please contact
the parish office for a form, to be completed by Mon 27 June.



CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING. CCD is offering a course this month for catechists **LEVEL III CATECHIST COURSE.** This course is run by CCD for catechists who have completed Level I & II training and who wish to complete their Level II Diploma Course. It is also open to others who would like to complete this course for their own faith development. Various presenters will cover topics that include CREATION: Work of the Trinity, MORALITY: Life in the Spirit, RECONCILIATION: Forgiveness of Sins, Healing, COMMUNION: Eucharist – Source and Summit: CHRIST: Heart of Catechesis, CHURCH: Mission of Holy Spirit. **Course Dates: Illawarra / 9.30am - 2.00pm July 22, 29, Aug 5, 12, 19, 26** (Xavier Centre /2 Bond Street Bellambi) and **Campbelltown: 9.30am - 2.00pm / Aug 8, 15, 22, 29, Sept 5, 12.** (Micah House, 35a Cordeaux St, Campbelltown). Enrolments: Please contact Helen Bennett at 4253 0934 orhelen.bennett@woll.catholic.org.au

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE BIENNIAL DIOCESAN CONFERENCE. Saturday, 23 July 2011, Edmund Rice College, Mt Keira Road, Mt Keira. Commences with Mass at 10.00am in College Chapel. Guest speakers Jen Charadia, Barbara Davis (Kanga Schools, Sierra Leone) and Sr Jan Barnett rsj. Cost \$25.00 includes morning tea and lunch. **RSVP with payment by Friday, 15 July** to Anne Kelly 5/49-55 Cordeaux Road, Figtree 2525. Visit www.cwlawollongong.org.au

POSITION VACANT – Internal Audit / Compliance Officer, Diocese of Wollongong. Responsibilities include the development of risk based internal audit and compliance programs for the Office of the Bishop, Catholic Education Office, CatholicCare and Catholic Development Fund. For an information package please contact Jane Edwards on 4253 0900 or email jane.edwards@woll.catholic.org.au **Applications close Friday, 8 July 2011.**

Dear Parishioners:

*A new batch of **Planned Giving Envelopes** will be issued very soon and so it is timely to share a general review of current **Planned Giving** with you. Apart from special Appeals which take place during the year, and to which parishioners generously respond, we in fact rarely speak of Parish Finance. It is now 7 years since we last conducted what was a low key **Planned Giving Program in the Parish.** In August 2004- c780 parishioners pledged c\$7,500 per week in **Planned Giving.** Those figures were never realized. In fact the graph has consistently been a downward pattern.*

Much has happened over that period; we are especially grateful for St Michael's Parish Centre, which is an asset serving the parish community far beyond our expectations. We also congratulate the Holy Spirit Community, Vincentia, who have worked enthusiastically over many years for their new Hall.

*In terms of current **Planned Giving** the news is rather bleak. We are now in the same statistical situation that we were in in June 2004, and as you can appreciate in terms of to-day's costs and monetary value this does not present a very positive picture.*

*e.g. **2003/04 Envelope Users:** 659; **Weekly Average in 2004, Envelopes =** \$5233.00; **Loose =** \$1,352.00.*

***June 2011 Committed Givers:** 628. **Weekly average, Envelopes =** \$5,219.00; **Loose money 2nd Collection =** \$1,594.00.*

*Some recurring items of expenditure: **Weekly break down for 2010 - Insurance** \$694.00; **Repairs and maintenance:** \$655.00; **Diocesan levy:** \$696.00. It is in the context of such factual information that we need to reflect on our financial commitment to the parish.*

A significant number of faithful contributors have died over recent years; a sizeable number have gone into residential retirement; others have moved elsewhere; and of course the economic downturn has had a direct impact on others. I sincerely thank parishioners for your financial commitment to the upkeep of the Parish and your support of the various ministries within the Parish over the years.

Fr.P.J. Faherty (Parish Priest)

(further material next week)

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NSW / ACT RCIA State Conference – W'gong 16-18 Sept How do we welcome people into our Church community who are either not baptised (Catechumens) or baptised into another denomination (Candidates). This is the focus for the NSW/ACT State RCIA Conference being held in the Diocese of Wollongong from 16-18 Sept 2011. The conference seeks to consider the variety of catechetical and pastoral needs of those wishing to become part of our faith communities. The conference will be an informative and valuable time for all those who minister in this area of Church life. Please see your parish priest for a registration form or visit www.ozcatechumenate.org.