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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.

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- please note some changes for the week ahead :

Nowra: .Mon Tues/Wed/ **7.00am**; Thurs 8.15am

Friday 7.00am and 11.30am; Sat 9.00am

Holy Hour: Fri 10.30am

Berry: No Mass this Tues ...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:

Rosemary Stokes (nee Branson), **Cecil Godlewski**, and **John Seberry** (Bulli–brother of Maureen Knock). Also **Lionel (Joe) Barry**, **Bob Harris** and **Dolores Gravino** whose anniversaries occur. **May they rest in eternal peace.**



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.

Shoalhaven Crossroads is **10 years old** and you are invited to our **Birthday Party** & **Disco** on **Fri 8 July** 7:15–9:15^{pm} at Nowra

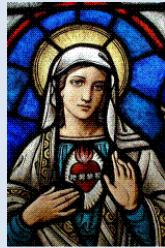


Baptist Church, Old Southern Rd, South Nowra. *All are welcome to help us celebrate* – the theme is red and white. **Enquiries** Beth Dodd 4421 8137 | Margaret Perkins 4423 2029. Crossroads is an interdenominational

Christian Fellowship for people with a disability, encouraging integration into the Christian church and wider community.



The Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary:



The term 'spirituality' at its most fundamental level can be said to refer to the action of the Spirit in people's lives. The biblical notion of the human heart is very rich: it is mentioned more than 1100 times. In Scripture the heart refers to the interior of a person; we read about the heart of God, but also the human heart.

e.g. In Ezekiel, God promises a new covenant which will be characterized by a new heart and a new spirit:

"I shall give you a new heart, and put a new spirit in you; I shall remove the heart of stone from your bodies and give you a heart of flesh instead. I shall put my spirit in you..." (Ez 36, 26-27).

"Since the Heart of Christ is the source of salvation for the world, together with our founder, (Fr Jules Chevalier) we see it as our mission to make this known to all: *May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be loved everywhere.*" (Fr Frank Fletcher, MSC). Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is essentially our response to the love of Jesus. In devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary the focus is in the main on the faith and virtues of Mary and on invoking her intercession. **The Immaculate Heart of Mary** was the title chosen by Pope John XXIII when, on June 6th, 1959, he dedicated what was then the new Diocese of Wollongong to Our Lady. The title is a devotional one which originated in the 17th century, as did the Feast of the Sacred Heart, at a time when there emerged a strong focus on the Spirituality of the Heart.

St Michael's Youth Group is holding a number of activities during the School Holidays. Check out what is happening on the parish website or on the noticeboard. For more information call 0422 201 054 or email youth@nowraparish.org.au



INVITATION to celebrate with Duane Fernandez and Geoff Allen who will be ordained to the Diaconate on **Wed, 6 July** at St John the Evangelist Parish, Cordeaux St, Campbelltown. *Mass will commence at 7.30pm.* All welcome.

Celebrating Mass with archbishops from 25 countries on the Feast of Sts Peter and Paul, **Pope Benedict reflected on his 60 years as a priest**, calling it a demanding and "awe-inspiring" ministry that brought him closer to God. The calling of the priest to friendship with God is "so awe-inspiring that one can feel daunted as the decades go by, amid so many experiences of one's own frailty and His inexhaustible goodness,"

Celebrating NAIDOC SUNDAY; Today, **3 July** at 1.30^{pm}, there is a **Diocesan Ecumenical Liturgy** celebrated by **Bishop Peter Ingham** at **St Michael's Church**. The theme for this year's celebration is: "*Change – The Next Step is Ours.*" All are welcome to this celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures.

We congratulate the 84 young parishioners who



have been confirmed this Saturday by Bishop Peter. We pray that the Holy Spirit will bless and guide them in the years ahead. A most sincere thank you to the Teachers and Catechists who have done such diligent and thorough preparation work.

Catechist Corner: First Reconciliation: The 2nd **Parent Information Night 20 July, at 7^{pm}.** **Contact** Lyn West 4423 1009 for information. *Thank you so much to all our Catechists for the dedicated work you do in the state school ministry. Enjoy your holiday.* We welcome **Peter Gilmore** as our new Regional Faith Education Officer.

Bay & Basin CWL meets **Thurs 7 July**, Holy Spirit Hall. **BYO Lunch** at 12 noon is followed by the meeting. New members welcome. **Contact:** Eileen 4443 8008.

St Vincent de Paul, Wollongong Central Council: Distribution of funds received from **3 Flood Appeals** held earlier in the year; **NSW** \$8,774.60; **Vic** \$3,398.65 & **Qld** \$76,979.75.



A senior Parishioner urgently needs to buy a villa in the Bomaderry area. Please **phone** 4446 0316.

Funerals at St Michael's : Mon 4th : Rosemary Stokes – 11.30.am. Tues 5th Cecil Godlewski : 10.30.a.m.



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The Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (Year A)

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Spirituality in the Pub Topic: *Conscience – Informed or Self Serving?* **Mon 11 July 7.30^{pm}** Jamberoo Pub. - **Dr Robert Tilley** is the presenter. **Enquiries:** Eileen Radford 4232 3121 / Gabrielle Fogarty 4232 2735. Meals available from 5.30^{pm}

POSITION VACANT. Receptionist, Diocese of Wollongong. Responsibilities include greeting, receiving & transferring calls, hospitality duties, taking bookings for reserved parking, conference rooms, and other tasks & clerical functions as directed by Bishop's Office staff. Information package available by email jane.edwards@woll.catholic.org.au or 4253 0900
Applications close Wed, 13 July.

DEDICATION OF CO-CATHEDRAL St John Vianney Church, Fairy Meadow. Join with Papal Nuncio Archbishop Giuseppe Lazzarotto and Bishop Peter Ingham on **Fri, 5 August** to celebrate the dedication of St John Vianney Church, Fairy Meadow and its designation as Co-Cathedral of the Diocese. **Mass commences at 7.30pm.**

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 **Sun, 7 August** at **2pm**, please contact Helen Bennett at the Office of the Bishop and an invitation will be sent to you. Phone 4253 0934 or email helen.bennett@woll.catholic.org.au

Level III Catechist Course. A CCD course for catechists (who have completed Level I & II training) & wish to complete their Level II Diploma Course. It is also open to others for their own faith development. Presented topics include Creation, Morality, Reconciliation, Communion, Christ, & Church. **Course Dates: Illawarra / 9.30^{am}-2.00^{pm}** July 22, 29, Aug 5, 12, 19, 26 (Xavier Centre /2 Bond Street Bellambi); & **Campbelltown: 9.30^{am}-2^{pm}** / Aug 8, 15, 22, 29, Sept 5, 12. (Micah House, 35a Cordeaux St, Campbelltown). **Enrolments:** Helen Bennett on 4253 0934 or helen.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

A final reminder to please collect your Planned Giving Envelopes now available at each Mass centre. Please advise the Parish Office if your Envelopes are not available at the designated centre.