



**St Michael's Parish**, Nowra – Tel: 4423 1712 E-mail: [office@nowraparish.org.au](mailto:office@nowraparish.org.au)

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**Twentieth Sunday, Year A**

**14 August 2011**

**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:  
**Brian O’Gorman** (Bateau Bay -brother of Jack).  
 Also **Damien Baker, Hilda Hockey, Lilian Maguire, Joe Basha,** and **Doris Lansdowne**  
 whose anniversaries occur. *May they rest in eternal peace.*



**FEASTDAYS:**

Mon15 Aug, **Assumption of the Virgin Mary. THIS IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.**  
 Sat 20 Aug, **Bernard**, abbot

**Holy Spirit SPRING FUN & FOOD FAIR**

Sat 3 Sept. 3 Weeks to go. **Final fair meeting** Sun 21 Aug after 9.30am Mass. **Stall coordinators**-please phone Judy with update info if unable to attend. **Flyers & maps** ready for distribution, & available after Mass. Please see Ron D’Souza.

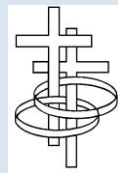
“Following Jesus – Matthew”, **National eConference** Tues 6 Sept, 10.30<sup>am</sup> – 2.50<sup>pm</sup>. Wonderful scripture scholars combined with opportunities for reflection and discussion. You are invited to a parish. screening. **RSVP to Katherine Jelavic 4446 0780** & leave a message.

**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Monday 15 August.**

*The most important of all Marian Feasts and a holy day of obligation.*

**Mass times:**

**Nowra:** 7am, 10am & 6.30pm  
**St John the Evangelist Chapel:** 11.00.a.m.  
**Culburra:** 8.00am, **Berry:** 6.00 pm  
**Kangaroo Valley:** 8.00am  
**Vincentia:** 8.00am & 6.00pm:



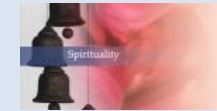
**Same Sex Marriage – Having our Voice Heard.**

Last November the House of Representatives passed a Greens motion urging Parliamentarians to consult with their constituents on whether **the definition of Marriage should be altered to include couples of the same sex.** When Federal Parliament resumes this month, marriage will be up for debate, with the Greens now having secured parliamentary time for members to report back to Parliament on their consultations. You will recall that in December 2010 our parish presented many signed petition sheets in defence of the natural, traditional and Christian understanding of Marriage to our local Federal Member.

The Australian Bishops are urging us to ensure at this stage that “our voices are heard by making direct contact with local MPs.” Also ref to [www.australianmarriageis.com](http://www.australianmarriageis.com)

**St Vincent de Paul Society Annual Doorknock.**

We are grateful to all who recorded their names last weekend, volunteering to assist with our annual doorknock. However, to be anywhere near successful, we need many more parishioners willing to help. Please record your names on the sheets provided at the Church doors. If you find later that you can help, but haven't recorded your names, please simply turn up at the Parish Centre anytime on the weekends of 20-21 and 27-28 Aug. This is a way to raise funds from the general public, rather than just appeal to parishioners for money. You may also ring 44210929 or 44210717.



**“Come & See” spirituality group meets Thurs 18 Aug, 7:30<sup>pm</sup>,** in the Parish Centre. We are delighted that **Sr Anna Warlow sgs** will lead

the evening, so please join us as she guides us in prayer, reflection and conversation. Please bring a plate for supper. **Contact** Moira 4448 7391 or Liz 4422 1279.

**Nowra Catholic Women’s League** invite you to attend their **Spring/Summer Fashion Parade Sat 3 Sept, 1pm,:** St Michael’s Hall. Entry **\$8** includes *afternoon tea & lucky door prizes.* 10% discount for purchases on the Day. Fashions from B& M Clothing, Culburra.



**Culburra Family Group** will be holding a games afternoon, followed by soup & sandwiches, at the home of Margaret & Paul Casey, Callala Bay, Sun **21 Aug, 3.30<sup>pm</sup>.** All welcome. Please ring if coming (4446 4117).

**Catechist Corner:**

**In-services:** Sept 9 – *IT Skills*; Sept 30 – *Smartboard* in the Parish Centre. To enrol ring **Lyn 4423 1009**  
**First Holy Communion** Second Parent Information Night **24 Aug** 7pm in St Michael’s Hall.

**Madrid Encounter: Sat, 20 Aug World Youth Day flavour** including **Catechesis** with Sr Hilda Scott OSB, a dramatic **Way of the Cross, Reconciliation,** a **Spanish Fiesta, Mass** followed by a **Youth Festival.** Cost **\$10,** includes all meals. For info & to register go to [www.dow.org.au/youth](http://www.dow.org.au/youth). **Contact** Loretta on 4253 0809.

**Wollongong Catholic Cursillo 2011** The Cursillo Movement invites lay Christians everywhere to build a world founded on love and friendship and is active across Christian denominations. It focuses on helping each person discover themselves, their relationship with Christ and with others. Discover this movement for yourself at a 3 Day weekend from Thurs evening **8 Sept till Sun11 Sept** at Hartzler Park Retreat Centre, Bowral. For more information & bookings phone Vanessa & Lester Smith 46288289 / 0419609827 or Janine & Mike Casey -44642973



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**Diocese of Wollongong Liturgy Festival: Sat, 29 Oct.**

This day is set aside for ongoing formation of our liturgical ministries. All **acolytes, servers, readers, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, sacristans, children's liturgy teams, hospitality teams, musicians, singers & liturgy committee members are invited** to gather at St Mary Star of the Sea College, Harbour St, W'gong. The keynote presentation and workshop is on "**Liturgical Theology – Eucharistic Spirituality.**" In the afternoon there will be workshops for the various ministries.

The festival includes resource stalls and will conclude with Mass with the Bishop at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral. **Please mark your diary. Further details soon.**

Zeni Fox, professor of pastoral theology and former advisor to the US Bishops, will speak about her area of expertise: **Lay Ministry in the Church: recognising the work of the Spirit. Mon, 19 Sept**, Catholic Church Offices, Level 3 Conference Room, 3.30 – 5.00<sup>pm</sup>. All welcome. **RSVP** by Fri, 16 Sept to 4253 0900.

**Volunteer Workers wanted for Kimberley Catholic Volunteer Service.** Broome Diocese needs volunteers to help the local Church on Aboriginal missions. **Tasks:** administration, building, gardening & vehicle maintenance. Placements are for a period of 6 mths – 2 yrs, with possible extension. **For info & an application form contact** Jo & Kevin Bell 089192 1060, email [volunteers@broomedioocese.org](mailto:volunteers@broomedioocese.org) or mail PO Box 76, Broome WA 6725.

**Good Used Postage Stamps** are being collected to support Mary MacKillop International & Overseas Missions in Peru. If you can help, please send to 17 Boronia St, Kyle Bay 2221

**ANNUAL VATICAN II CONFERENCE. Sat, 19 Nov**

Chevalier College, Bowral 9.30am – 3.00pm. **Keynote**

**speaker:** Richard Leonard sj