



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.

Twenty Seventh Sunday, Year A

2 October 2011

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 8.00am; 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: **Alex McCoy, Eileen Pride and Michael Neale (KV)**. Also **Tony Russell, Reg Fife, Marie Longhurst, and Vera Guthrie** whose anniversaries occur. *May they rest in eternal peace.*



FEASTDAYS: Tues 4 Oct, **Francis of Assisi**
 Fri 7 Oct, **Our Lady of the Rosary**

Catechist Corner: Thank you so much for your dedicated work during the last term. Time now to begin thinking about Christmas activities, 2012 book orders, and recruitment.

For your calendar:

FHC lessons begin: 11, 12, 13 Oct
 Retreat Gerringong: 28 Oct 9.30^{am}
 Catechist Sunday: 6 Nov
 Catechist Awards Mass: 12 Nov Fairy Meadow
 FHC: 19, 20 Nov
 Christmas Morning Tea: TBA

Catholic Women's League, Nowra Branch, will hold their **AGM** on **Tues 11 Oct** at 1pm in the Parish Centre. **Contact** Judy Thompson 4421 8565.

MASS FOR SIGNIFICANT MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES

(25 yrs, 40, 50 yrs etc) will be celebrated at St Michael's, **Sat. Oct 29**, at 10.30^{am}. Mass will be followed by a light lunch. *Please phone the Parish Centre 4423 1712 or Marie 4448 5347 to book for catering purposes.*



Our Parish Retreat Day will be held in St Michael's Hall, **Sat 22 Oct**, commencing with 9.00^{am} Mass & concluding with Benediction at 2.45^{pm}. John Honner will facilitate. Three Meditations: *"The Mystery of God" "Thanks and Praise" "Freedom and Hope"* BYO lunch – morning tea is supplied. *Nowra Branch of CWL extends an invitation to everyone to attend.*

Bay & Basin CWL will meet in the Hall **Thurs 6 Oct** for BYO lunch, meeting beginning at 1^{pm}. New members most welcome. Contact: Eileen 4443 8008 or Mary 4442 1528.

Our Lady's Feast of the Rosary. Fri 7 Oct. Bay & Basin CWL will be sharing morning tea at 10^{am} in the Holy Spirit Hall, followed by the Rosary. All welcome.



Coming Events:

Sat Oct 8th Regional Mass for St Vincent de Paul, 10.00^{am} Vincentia
Tues Oct 18th Feast of St Luke: Mass and anointing of the Sick – St Patrick's Berry-11.00.a.m.
Sat Oct 22nd Parish Retreat Day at St Michael's
Sat Oct 29th Parish Mass for Significant Marriage Anniversaries
Sat Nov 5th Liturgy at Worrigea Cemetery.
Sun Nov 6th St Michael's School Fete.
Sun Nov 20th - **The Feast of Christ the King - First Holy Communion.**

Valuing & Supporting older people in our parish: Learn about pastoral care & acquire new skills through a Pastoral Care Training Program, each Fri for 8 weeks, **21 Oct – 9 Dec**, 9.30^{am} - 3.30^{pm}, St Patrick's Hall, Berry. **Contact:** Carmen 4640 8515 or, carmenk@catholiccare.woll.catholic.org.au
Testimony: *"The Pastoral Care course made me realise how important it is to live the prayer of St Francis", Marie. St Michael's, Nowra.*

Diocese of Wollongong Liturgy Festival:

Sat, 29 Oct, 9.30^{am} – 5.00^{pm}, at St Mary's College, Harbour St, W'gong, to refresh our appreciation of Liturgy through a day of uplifting music, stalls, workshops, good keynote speakers, and celebration of Mass together with our Bishop in the cathedral at 6.p.m.. Full details including online registration at www.dow.org.au. **Contact** Helen Bennett on 4253 0934 or email helen.bennett@woll.catholic.org.au to register over the phone or if you have questions. **Cost:** \$25.00 (Adults) / \$10.00 (Students and Pensioners) includes morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea. If cost is an issue contact Helen. **The RSVP has been extended to Tues 18 Oct.** *The festival is for all of us, affirming the role of liturgy at the heart of the Church's life.*



Feast of St Luke: Mass and Anointing of the Sick. Tues 18 Oct, 11.00^{am} St Patrick's Berry. Mass will be followed by light lunch in the hall. Please bring a plate to share.

Bomaderry Rotary Club extend an invitation to a charity dinner & auction at Bomaderry Bowling Club, **Mon 17 Oct**, 6 for 6.30pm, to raise funds for SHE Rescue Home in Cambodia. This is an aftercare shelter for young girls who have been abused, trafficked or are at risk. **Cost** \$25 for 2 courses and tea/coffee. **RSVP** to John Merritt 4448 6061.

LEARNING FOR LIFE? As ongoing learning happens in all areas of our lives, so each baptised person is invited into the process of lifelong learning about our faith. There is a wonderful range of opportunities to consider: from formal to very informal ways of keeping up to date – in areas of theology, ministry, liturgy, outreach and pastoral living. Come to discuss some of these options or bring suggestions to members of the Parish Services Team at an **EXPO St Michael's Nowra Mon 17 Oct**, anytime between **3.00^{pm} – 7.00^{pm}**. **For further information:** Ph: 4253 0822; vivien.williams@woll.catholic.org.au

A sincere thank you to all parishioners who attended our Parish function on the Feast of St Michael – Our Guest speaker Fr Pat Kenna presented an enthusiastic and vibrant picture of Catholic communities as he has experienced them throughout the vast expanse of the State.

(Daylight saving begins this weekend -Oct 2nd.)



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Shoalhaven Crossroads is a Christian Fellowship for people with a disability. The next meeting is **Fri 14 Oct**, 7.15-9.15^{pm}, Nowra Baptist Church. Enquiries to Beth 4421 8137.



2012 St Mary Mackillop Calendar, featuring inspiration for daily life from the writings of St Mary MacKillop and attractive coloured photos, available by emailing josephitecalendar@sosjns.org.au or phoning 02 8741 2333. **Cost** \$6.00 plus postage. Ideal Christmas gifts for family, friends, staff members, neighbours, parishioners and benefactors.

Diocesan Advent/Christmas Program: *Lightbearers*.

A program spanning the Advent/Christmas Season Highly recommended for small groups, parish companions, families and individuals. **Available early November. Cost** \$2.00. **Contact** Jane Edwards on 4253 0899 or email jane.edwards@woll.catholic.org.au

ANNUAL VATICAN II CONFERENCE. Sat, 19 Nov, Chevalier College, Bowral, 9.30^{am} – 3.00^{pm}. Please ensure the date is in diaries. **Keynote speaker: Richard Leonard sj.** See flyer. Brochures to follow.