

# St Michael's Parish, Nowra – Tel: 4423 1712 E-mail: office@nowraparish.org.au

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B 22 July 2012

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## <u>Sunday Masses</u>:

NOWRA	6pm Vigil; 8am, 9.30am & 6pm
BERRY	8.00am
BOMADERRY	9.30am
CULBURRA	6pm Vigil
	6pm Vigil & 9.30am
<b>KANGAROO VAL</b>	<b>LEY</b> 11.00am

### **Weekday Masses:**

**Nowra:**...... Mon 7.00am; Tues/Wed/Thurs /8.15.am Friday 7.00am. and 11.30am; Sat 9.00am

#### **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. - 5.00pm

 Vincentia:
 Sat 5 –5.30pm

We prayerfully remember the recently deceased Maureen Joyce Lavender,
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Marie Hozack, Max Jones and Lionel Alexander. Also Albert Muller, Jack

**Christian** and **Frank Wall** whose anniversaries occur. *May they rest in eternal peace*.

#### Feastdays:

Wed 25 July, **St James**, apostle Thurs 26 July, **Sts Joachim and Ann**, parents of Blessed Virgin Mary

# Bishop's Visitation – July 20<sup>th</sup> Fri- -22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday

This will be the Bishop's second week-end in our Parish. On Friday he will visit one of the Aged-Care facilities, and St Michael's Primary School. In the afternoon Bishop



Peter will celebrate Mass at S'haven Heads and later meet with some Parishioners from a number of Parish organisations. On Saturday Bishop Peter will confirm 98 young Parishioners at two sessions; 2.00.p.m. and at 6.00pm. On Sunday morning Bishop Peter will celebrate the 8.00a.m. and 9.30a.m Masses at St Michael's. The Bishop is always sincerely appreciative and grateful for your prayerful support.

# Grandparents' Mass will be held in St Michael's



Parish Hall, **Fri July 27**, 9.30am.

Morning tea will follow with a presentation by Carmen Karuda, CatholicCare, *Growing Older* 

*Gracefully,* including music, information, spiritual reflection and sharing

**Culburra Family Group** will have a video afternoon/evening at Jean Helliwell's home (7 Ormonde Cres, Orient Pt), followed by a meal to share, on Friday **27 July** at 4.30pm. Please RSVP to Jean on 44473018

The Gift of Years: Exploring God's invitation in the 2nd half of life. Group 2 (4<sup>th</sup> Monday) at the convent, this Mon 23 July. Newcomers welcome. Please note *later starting time: 2.00pm.* Enquiries 4421 2260

Reconciliation lessons for Vincentia commence on Monday 23 July, 3:45pm – 5pm, in the Holy Spirit Hall. All children Year 3 and upwards who are interested please attend.



Catechist Corner: Welcome to Term 3. Thank you all so much for your tireless work in breaking open the Word of God for our State School Children. We need Catechists for Cambewarra. Contact 4423 1009 if you can help.

**St Michael's Children's Liturgy** returns for term 3 at the 9.30am Mass on **Sunday July 29**.

Office of Disability: All Parish Disability Connections' volunteers, and families with members who have a disability, are invited to a *gathering of prayer to remember Sr Fran* & to share lunch, **Wed 1 Aug**, 11.30<sup>am</sup>-1.30<sup>pm</sup>, Parish Centre. RSVP to 4654 8709.

**Sunday Missal - Revised translation:** An order for the new Sunday Missal will be placed on Wed, 25 July. Please phone the Parish Secretary 4423 1712 by 3.30pm on Tues 24 July if you would like to order a Missal.

# "Grace is the living, loving presence of God in our lives."

Notice God's grace active in you this week in a moment of patience, forgiveness, trust, compassion, creativity and thank God.

St Vincent de Paul Society, Winter Appeal. As an important part of our annual Winter Appeal, our Doorknock will be held last 2 weekends in August. We will soon be asking for volunteers to assist with doorknocking in their chosen area, collecting in shopping centres, etc. Please put these dates in your diary and seriously consider helping us out.

Holy Spirit Vincentia Fundraiser Movie Sun 12 Aug, 1pm, luncheon & movie "The Sapphires". This movie has been given excellent reviews. Tickets from Sr Val - \$15. There will also be a raffle

**Nowra SVDP Piety Store** has religious items for sale, or an order can be placed from the catalogue. Enquiries to 4421 7244.

ANSWERING ATHEISM – DR EDWARD FESER IN THE DIOCESE. Often it is claimed that "science is objective" whereas belief in God is "unscientific" and therefore irrational or, at least, has no rational foundation itself. Professor and popular social commentator from the USA, Dr Edward Feser PH.D, will expose the fallacies of this world view including its inherent contradiction: the claim that scientism is true is not a scientific claim!" Tuesday, 24 July at St John the Evangelist Parish, Jerematta St, Dapto-7.30p.m (RSVP Jane Edwards 4253 0899)

First Saturday Marian Devotions, 4 Aug.

Mass at 9.00am, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Reconciliation, Rosary & Benediction at 10.30. Morning tea follows in the Parish Centre. Everyone most welcome



The next meeting of interested parishioners in regard to the Sesquicentenary of the Parish is on **Monday 6**<sup>th</sup> **August** 2012 at 7.00.pm.

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WORLD YOUTH DAY RIO | July 2013 Bishop Peter has booked his spot on our Diocesan Pilgrimage to World Youth Day in Brazil, are you going to join him? Come to an **information night**, hear the latest about the Wollongong Diocesan itinerary and find out how you can get to WYD 2013 to celebrate with the Holy Father and young people from around the globe:

**Monday 20 August @7.30pm**, St Therese's Parish Hall 2 Powell Street, West Wollongong

**Thursday, 23 August @ 7.30pm**, St John's Parish Hall Cordeaux Street, Campbelltown

Can you help us make our Parish Sesquicentenary Book a treasure trove of memories? We need many more photos, articles and stories to fill out our story of each decade. Our planned publication needs to be taking shape now if it is to be ready for the publishers in time for our celebrations. If you have anything to share could you please loan it for copying at the Parish Office or to the following contacts:

Culburra: Mary Nelson 4447 3263

Berry: Barry McAndrew: see him after Mass

Vincentia: Sister Val

PROCLAIM YOUTH RALLY. Want to come together with other young people and be ignited in the Catholic faith? Then come to the Proclaim Youth Rally on Friday, 10 August 2012 from 7.30pm – 9.00pm at The Concourse, Chatswood. Open to all youth and young adults. Be inspired by Fr Chris Ryan mgl as the guest speaker. You will experience great music by the Harvest Band, multimedia, drama, hip hop dance by Darrio Phillips and crew and prayer and reflection. For more information email therese.mgl@gmail.com or register on the 'proclaimconference/youthrally' website for this free event.

An Evening With The Catholic Guy – Two Events, One Night on Tues, 24 July at St Paul's Catholic Church, Tongarra Rd, Albion Pk. 5.45pm-7pm Men are Fathers: "A session just for the Men" (Parish/School Hall, includes free BBQ & drinks) and 7.30pm–9pm "An evening with 'The Catholic Guy' – for men and women" (in Church, followed by supper in narthex). For more info contact St Paul's Office on 42562038 or albionpark@parish.woll.catholic.org.au

Retreat day for Carers - All men and women who provide support and care to a person who is elderly or with a disability, mental illness, chronic condition or terminal illness, are invited to a guided retreat day on Saturday 11 August 2012. The day will be led by Bishop Terry Brady and Sister Antonine of the Missionaries of Charity and will include two talks with times for prayer, meals and Mass. The day will be held at the Mt Schoenstatt Shrine and Retreat Centre, Mulgoa. The cost of the day, including meals is \$10. Enquiries and registration can be directed to LMFevents@sydneycatholic.org or 9390 5283.

MenALIVE DIOCESAN RETREAT WEEKEND, suitable for all men from 15 years of age to 80+ on Saturday and Sunday, 17-18 November 2012 at St Therese Parish Hall, West Wollongong. The retreat is organised by men within the diocese and conducted by an experienced team of menALIVE leaders. The weekend is designed so that participants may return to their homes on Saturday night and it concludes with Mass at lunch time on the Sunday. For more information contact Vince Fitzwilliam on 0413 126 095.