



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

Website: [nowraparish.org.au](http://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.

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B**  
**5 August 2012**

**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

**Weekday Masses:**

**Nowra:**..... Mon 7.00am; Tues/Wed/Thurs /8.15.am  
Friday 7.00am. and 11.30am; Sat 9.00am  
**Berry:** Tues 5.30pm. .... **Culburra:** Thurs. 5.30pm  
**Vincentia:**. Mon/Thurs/Fri. 8.00am; Tues /Wed 5.30pm  
**K Valley:**..... Mon/Tues/Sat 8.00am; Wed 6.10am  
**Shoalhaven Heads:** Friday 3.30pm Community Centre

**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 **Jean Heptonstall**. Also **Colleen Baker, Peter Morrissey, Shirley Rigney;** and **John, Laurie and Hilda McBeath** whose anniversaries occur. *May they rest in eternal peace.*



**Do you know someone who might be interested in becoming Catholic?** - maybe a family member or friend or neighbour? Sometimes a person says: *"I was just waiting for someone to ask me."* Perhaps you yourself are wondering whether you might explore this path. A new group will be starting soon at St Michael's Parish for people thinking about making the journey towards Baptism or full membership of the Catholic faith. Feel free to contact parish office or Sr Sue ..... no commitment needed at this stage. **Parish: 4423 1712**

**Feastdays:**

Mon 6 Aug, **The Transfiguration of the Lord**  
Wed 8 Aug, **St Mary of the Cross MacKillop**  
Fri 10 Aug, **St Lawrence**, deacon, martyr  
Sat 11 Aug, **St Clare**

**Vocation Sunday: Put On Your Vocation.** St

Paul in today's reading urges us to "put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth." We put on Christ at Baptism, God's vocation for us all. How then, do we live out God's call? Single, married, religious, deacons, priests – we all offer a witness for God. If you are wondering which way God is calling you to witness through your life, then be sure to ask others already living out a particular vocation. Also, who have you encouraged recently to consider a particular calling?

**To know more: contact Fr Richard Healey on [priesthood@dow.org.au](mailto:priesthood@dow.org.au) or 0401 621 591, or visit <http://dow.org.au/priesthood>**

**St Vincent de Paul Society Annual Doorknock.** Over the next 2 weekends, we will be asking for help from parishioners. We need supporters who will help us doorknock. Pick your area, give what time you can. This is an important and effective method of fundraising for the Society and we hope you will support us. Please write your details on the sheets available in Nowra and Bomaderry church foyers. Contact Mary 4421 0717 or Peter 4422 1129.

**150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** The next meeting of interested parishioners in regard to the Parish Sesquicentenary is on **Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Aug** at 7.00<sup>pm</sup> in the Parish Centre.



**Children's Liturgy of the Word** will be on next Sunday **August 12** at St Michael's at 9.30 Mass. All children welcome.

**Parish Retreat: Sat 25 Aug.** 9.00am Mass. Reflections in the Parish Centre. John Honnor will facilitate. Morning tea provided. Please bring your own lunch. Theme: *"Being Catholic and Following Jesus"*.



**Shoalhaven Crossroads** is a Christian Fellowship for people with a disability. The next gathering is **Fri 10 Aug**, 7.15 – 9.15pm, at Nowra Baptist Church. Enquiries: Beth Dodd 4421 8137.



**Catechist Corner:** We welcome 4 female students from St John's to our ministry. These generous young girls aim to fill the vacant catechist lessons and will be working under supervision at East Nowra Public School. Please pray for them and the success of this pilot program.

**Attention Parents of young children.**

**Talking to our children about God:** our next session will be **Fri 10 Aug 8.50<sup>am</sup>** in the Parish Centre. Newcomers welcome.

**St Michael's School Dinner Dance** for Parents, Staff & Friends: **Sat 11 Aug**, 7pm, school hall. 3 course meal. BYO drinks. Raffle. \$35 each.

**Fashion Parade:** Sat 8 September, 1.30pm. In St Michael's Parish Hall. Clothes supplied by B&M Clothing Culburra. \$8.00 entry.



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

Holy Spirit Vincentia **Spring Fun & Food Fair** Saturday 1st September: Information sheets will be available this weekend 28/29 August after Masses.

**Next Meeting:** (progress) Sun 5 Aug after 9.30<sup>am</sup> Mass. **Volunteers.** List in foyer of Church for your name & contact number.

**Guided Retreat day for Carers** of a person who is elderly, has a disability, mental illness, chronic condition or terminal illness. Sat 11 Aug, Mt Schoenstatt Retreat Centre, Mulgoa. Led by Bishop Terry Brady and Sr Antonine of the Missionaries of Charity. Enquiries [LMEvents@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:LMEvents@sydneycatholic.org) or 9390 5283.

**Wollongong Catholic Cursillo 2012 Thurs evening 6 Sept - Sun 9 Sept**, Hartzler Park, Bowral. *Cursillo is a lay movement that focuses on helping each person discover themselves, their relationship with Christ and with others. Take some time out to review your direction in life. Transport can be arranged. For Info & bookings: Janine & Mike Casey -4464 2973.*



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**World Youth Day Rio | July 2013** Are you going to join Bishop Peter on our Diocesan Pilgrimage to World Youth Day, Brazil? Come to an **information night** about the Wollongong Diocesan itinerary and how you can get to WYD 2013 to celebrate with the Holy Father and young people from around the globe:

**Mon 20 Aug 7.30pm**, St Therese's Parish Hall,  
2 Powell St, West Wollongong

**Thurs, 23 Aug 7.30pm**, St John's Parish Hall,  
Cordeaux St, 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

**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.**

**“Grace is the living, loving presence of God in our lives.”**

