



**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.

**Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B**

**26 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/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

**Feastdays:**

Mon 27 Aug, **St Monica**  
 Tues 28 Aug, **St Augustine**, bishop  
 Wed 29 Aug **Passion of St John the Baptist**, martyr

**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 : **Douglas Eastgate** and **David Cornish**. Also **Frank Rouen**, **Terry Power** and **Faye Trinder** whose anniversaries occur. *May they rest in eternal peace.*



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



**First Saturday Marian Devotions: 1 Sept.** Mass at 9am will be followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Reconciliation, Rosary and Benediction at 10.30am. Morning tea is available in the Parish Centre. Fr Duane will speak to the gathering. Everyone is most welcome.

**Catholicism: ten part DVD series by Rev Robert Barron**

As part of our celebration of the Year of Grace, you are invited to deepen & enrich your understanding of the core content of our Catholic tradition. **Anyone interested who could not attend the first session is encouraged to come along.** A morning or evening timeslot is offered at St Michael's Parish Centre: Wed 29 Aug (& following Wednesdays); 10.00am. Session repeated 7.30pm.

**Pilgrimage Of Grace 23-25 Sept:**

As part of the Year of Grace, the Church in Australia has organised a pilgrimage of a relic of Saint Francis Xavier throughout Australia. The pilgrimage aims to help us contemplate and imitate Christ by contemplating the life of Saint Francis Xavier, one of the foremost Church missionaries and evangelisers and a significant exemplar of the imitation of Christ. The pilgrimage will visit St Francis Xavier Cathedral **Wollongong**, St Thomas More **Ruse**, St Francis Xavier **Berrima**, St Patrick's **Port Kembla**, Mary Mother of the Church **Macquarie Fields** and St Paul's **Camden**. For details of the pilgrimage, please see the flyer on the Church noticeboard.



**St Vincent de Paul Society Appeal** Thank you again to those parishioners who volunteered to assist us with our doorknock Appeal. Unfortunately, for Nowra and Bomaderry, this was a **record low of 8 volunteers**, who were not members of the Society. For those who did go out, they did extremely well – **the money is there for the taking.** Not too late for this weekend or the coming week. If you feel you can help please call into the Nowra Parish Centre on 4423 1712, any time from 9.30am this weekend.

**The Gift of Years:** *Exploring God's invitation in the second half of life.* Group 2 (4<sup>th</sup> Monday) at the convent: this **Mon 27 August**, 1.30 -3.00pm. Enquiries 4421 2260.

**St Michael's Youth Group** will meet **Friday 31 Aug** 6.30-8pm in the Parish Centre. Please bring supper to share.

**Holy Spirit Vincentia SPRING FUN & FAIR DAY:**



**Saturday 1 Sept** 8.30am -1.30pm. Volunteers required on some stalls. Ph Judy 4441 7456.

**ALSO URGENT NEED OF CAKE/SLICE BAKERS!!** Please ph Mary 4443 7629 if you can offer some items for the cake stall. Thank you. **SEE YOU ALL THERE - AT THE FAIR!**

**Upcoming Events:**

- **Dads & Lads Camping Weekend for men of all ages: Fri 7 Sept - Sun 9 Sept**, Cataract Scout Park. **Cost: \$25pp.** BYO. The Disciples of Jesus Community, and the Youth Mission Team. All welcome!
- **Australian Catholic Youth Ministry Convention Fri 21 Sept - Sun 23 Sept.** A national event hosted in our own Diocese. Head to [acymc.org](http://acymc.org) for more info or to register. Contact Loretta on [youth@dow.org.au](mailto:youth@dow.org.au)
- **Sat 17 Nov Readers Ministry Training** 10.00<sup>am</sup> – 2.30<sup>pm</sup>, St Michael's Parish Centre, run by the Diocesan Liturgical Commission. More info later.
- **Consoling Mass: Fri, 14 Sept** 12noon at Mater Dolorosa Church, Balmoral St, Balgownie. This is a gathering of people who wish to remember those who have died as a result of tragic circumstances.

**Mass will be celebrated for Grandparents and Guardians** of Year 7 students at St John the Evangelist High School on Wednesday next August 29<sup>th</sup> at 9.30.a.m. The venue will be St John's School Hall. This will be followed by refreshments. Grandparents and Guardians from the wider parish Community are most welcome.

**CARITAS APPEAL:** All loose money in our second collection next weekend will go toward the **Caritas Australia's** response to the plight of the people in the West Africa region. A humanitarian disaster of massive proportions is currently unfolding, with nine nations and around 18 million men, women and children facing starvation as severe droughts, poor harvests, conflict and rising food prices cripple the area.



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**iSTAND WEEKEND (14-18 year olds)** from **Friday, 5 October to Sunday, 7 October 2012** run by the Wollongong Youth Mission Team at **Cataract Scout Park**. It is going to be an awesome weekend filled with fantastic activities like archery, 'Spot Light', Challenge Valley, Capture the Flag, bonfires and campfires with marshmallow roasting, and to top it off – an amazing band! **Cost is \$98.00 per person and includes accommodation (lodges), food and activities**. Email [wollongong@ymt.com.au](mailto:wollongong@ymt.com.au) to receive a registration form or text or call Chris Brennan on 0433 636 359 for more details. Follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

**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**.



**Parish Sesquicentenary Book contacts:**

**Culburra:** Mary Nelson 4447 3263

**Berry:** Barry McAndrew: see him after Mass

**Vincentia:** Sister Val