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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 8.15am Friday 7.00am. & 11.30am;
Sat Oct 13th Mass at St Michael's at 10.00am – for significant Wedding Anniversaries.

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: ..Fri 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:
Michael Shipp and **Joyce Anderson** (Sussex Inlet). Also **Joseph Azzopardi**, **Daphne Fossey** and **Tony Russell** whose anniversaries occur. *May they rest in eternal peace.*



Holy Spirit Vincentia: Final Spring Fair meeting.

Sunday **14 October** in the hall after 9.30am Mass. Stall co-ordinators and interested parishioners are welcome to offer constructive comments on the day.

Culburra Family Group: "Mulberries & Cream Lunch" in Joan & Greg Watts' garden. **Sunday 21 Oct** at 12 noon. Please bring food to share. Ph: 4447 1270.

Shoalhaven Crossroads is a *Christian Fellowship for people with a disability*. The next meeting is **Fri 12 Oct**, 7.15 – 9.15pm, at Nowra Baptist Church. Enquiries: Beth 4421 8137.

St Michael's Youth Group will meet **Friday 12 October** 6.30 - 8pm in the Parish Centre, Polding Room. Please bring supper to share.

St Michael's Children's Liturgy will be held next **Sunday, 14 October**, at 9.30am Mass.

Catholicism: DVD series by Rev Robert Barron



This week's topic: **"Mary, the new Israel."** *Come along to deepen & enrich your understanding of our Catholic tradition.* A morning or evening timeslot offered for your convenience, St Michael's Parish Centre, **Wed 10 Oct 10.00^{am}**. Session repeated 7.30^{pm}.

The Annual Mass with Anointing of the Sick at St Patrick's Church Berry will be held on Tuesday **16th October** at 10:30am close to the Feast of St Luke, patron of the medical profession *Please bring a plate for light luncheon after Mass.* Everyone is welcome.



7th National eConference **Vatican 11: An Event of Grace** will be delivered **Wed 10 Oct**, 10.30am - 3pm, on the 50th anniversary of Vatican II. It aims to examine the Vatican Council's Christ-centred mission in our world today and celebrate the Year of Grace. You are invited to the Jelavic's at 3 Coombah Close Tapitallee to participate. Arrive any time after 10am for either all or part of the day. For more info, including the program, go to <http://grace.vidas.com>

Nowra Catholic Women's League annual general meeting, **Tues 9 October**. 9.30am morning tea will be followed by the meeting at 10am in the Parish Centre. Contact person: Judy 4421 8565.



Ministry Training: "Preparing the Sacred Mysteries" A Course for Sacristans will be held **Sat, 20 Oct**, 10am –2.30pm at St Columbkille's Church, 99 Princes Highway, Corrimal. **RSVP essential** Ph 4253 0934 or email helen.bennett@woll.catholic.org.au. Morning tea provided. BYO lunch

Fay Eastgate and family would like to thank everyone for their kindness after the loss of Doug. Sincere thanks to Father Pat for all his help and thoughtfulness and for the beautiful Requiem Mass.

Celebrating our Parish Feastday: Sincere thanks to parishioners attending our recent Parish Dinner, 95 parishioners attended. Your enthusiastic participation, and the genuine sharing of their faith journey by the three speakers, made it a joyful and memorable community occasion.



Rosalie from Falls Creek is seeking transport to weekend Mass. Offers of assistance, by phoning 4447 8189, would be greatly appreciated.

Vocation and marriage or...? Our readings today speak of the gift of Marriage. Marriage is a special call of God for two people to surrender their lives totally to God through serving one another and the world through this Sacrament. How is God calling you? Join young men and women exploring God's call in their life to Marriage, Consecrated life, single and ordained life at our Diocesan Encounter Evening "The Venue", 18 Cawley St, Bellambi; **Wed 10 Oct**, 7.00pm - 9.30pm (includes dinner). Cost: Free. RSVP: Cameron Smit | cameron.smit@dow.org.au | (02) 4253 0822

Catholic Youth Ministry W'gong will be launching **'God in the Gong'** at the Illawarra Brewery (cnr Crown & Harbour Sts). This will be a monthly event for those aged 18 – 35 to celebrate the 'Year of Grace'. It is an evening of live music, catechesis & discussion with a guest speaker focusing on a different topic each month. On **Tues, 23 Oct**, 7-9pm Bishop Peter Comensoli will explore *'Faith & Grace: Do these amazing gifts have a use by date?'* For more info contact Loretta, 4253 0809.

Illawarra Taizé group will visit St Mary's Catholic Church, Fern St, Gerringong **Fri, 26 Oct**, 7.30pm for Christian prayer using music & repetitive verses. Light supper will follow. Contact Gabrielle 4232 2735 or Pat 4232 1034.

RSL Day Clubs are a weekly social program in Nowra and Bomaderry for older people from the wider community. The club is currently seeking volunteers who can assist. Please contact 4423 3330 (B'derry) or 4421 3935 (N) if you can help.



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St Vincent de Paul Piety Stall has religious gifts available for sale. Other items can be ordered from the catalogue. Ph: 4421 7244 or visit 5 Berry St, Nowra

Catechist Corner: Some dates for your diary:

Catechist Retreat: Mon 22 Oct, Gerringong

Annual Catechist Mass: Sat 10 Nov, Fairy Meadow.

MINISTRY TRAINING: “Proclaiming the Word”

A Course for Readers, 17 Nov 10.00am – 2.30pm,

St Michael's Parish Centre, Nowra **RSVP essential**

via email Helen.bennett@woll.catholic.org.au or

phone 4253 0934. Morning tea provided. BYO lunch

Upcoming Events:

Sat 17 Nov ‘Proclaiming the Word – A Course for

Readers’: 10.00^{am} – 2.30^{pm}, St Michael's Parish Centre,

run by the Diocesan Liturgical Commission

**Selecting Music for Sunday Mass
(Wollongong)**

New date & location! **Sun, 11 Nov, 1.30pm**

– 4.00pm, St Francis Xavier Cathedral. This

workshop will review resources and proven processes

for developing a coordinated parish liturgical music

repertoire to meet the needs of the various assemblies

at Sunday Masses, including children, youth and young

adults. **RSVP essential** to Helen on 4253 0934 or

helen.bennett@woll.catholic.org.au by Mon, 5 Nov.



RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREATS - a Catholic

healing retreat for women and men affected by abortion.

The next weekend retreat will be held at Pennant Hills

(Sydney) on **Friday 19 – Sunday 21 October, 2012.**

Confidential enquiries can be made by contacting the

Sydney office on 0400 092 555 or emailing

info@rachelsvineyard.org.au. More information on

Rachel's Vineyard Ministries can be found on the

website: <http://www.rachelsvineyard.org.au/>

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.

The Gift of Years: *Exploring God's invitation in the*

second half of life. Group 2: Mon Oct 1.30 -3.00pm

(NB: Starting time reverts to 1.30). Enquiries 4421 2260

Parish Sesquicentenary Book contacts:

Culburra: Mary Nelson 4447 3263

Berry: Barry McAndrew: see him after Mass

Vincentia: Sister Val

