



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.

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

18 November 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 8.15am; Fri 7.00am & 11.30; and
 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/Thurs/Sat 8.00.am. Wed.
 6.15.am.

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:
Leoncia Osmena. Also those whose anniversaries
 occur: **Molly Cloran, Stan Bright, Marie Stalgis**
and Kevin Hereward. *May they rest in eternal*
peace.



Feastdays:

Wed 21 Nov: **Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary**
 Thurs 22 Nov: **St Cecilia**, martyr
 Sat 24 Nov: **St Andrew Dung-Lac and companions**,
 (Vietnamese martyrs)
 Vincentia **Christmas raffle** will be drawn 23 Dec.
 Tickets on sale outside all Vincentia Masses. Tickets \$2
 or 3/\$5. Winner's choice of 5 great prizes.

Important Catechist Meeting at Vincentia on Wed 21
 November, 12pm – bring lunch.



Catechist Mass and Morning Tea will be held
 on Monday **26 November**, 9.30am, at St
 Michael's Church. Please bring a plate.

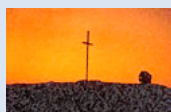
Culburra Family Group will hold a 'High Hats for High
 Tea' event at Casey's on Fri **23 Nov**, 3^{pm}. Ph 4446 4117

**First Holy Communion is being
 celebrated in the Parish on the
 Feast of Christ the King, 24th/25th
 November; this includes all Mass
 Centres. (Next week-end).**



At St Michael's the First Communion Masses will
 be 9.30.a.m. and 11.30.am. Parishioners not
 directly associated with First Holy Communion at
 St Michael's are advised to attend another Mass.

First Holy Communion at Holy Spirit Church
 Vincentia will be held on Sun 25 Nov during the
 9:30am Mass.



Compass and CWL warmly invite all
 parishioners to a **REFLECTION
 MORNING**. Jocelyn Hedley, author of
And Here Begin the Work of Heaven:

*the spirituality of Eileen O'Connor, co-founder of Our
 Lady's Nurses for the Poor*, will introduce us to Eileen
 O'Connor's spiritual writings. These writings reveal how
 sacrifice and suffering can work to break open a soul to
 its depths, and can do this even in a consumerist world.
Sat 24 Nov, commencing with 9:00am Mass at St
 Michael's & concluding with BYO lunch at 1pm.
 Enquiries & RSVP to Shannon Chittick: 4447 0990.

Taize Prayer time for Advent drawing inspiration from
 the prayers and music of Taize. **Friday 30 Nov**, 7.30pm
 in St Patrick's Church, Berry. Join in this wonderful
 preparation for Christmas.

Nowra Branch of CWL is holding a **Christmas Raffle**
 in the Parish over 2 weekends: 2 & 9 December.
 Tickets \$2 or 3 for \$5.

1st prize.....Gourmet Christmas Hamper
 2nd prize.....Selection of serving platters
 3rd prize.....Knife Block
 Drawn 11 Dec at the CWL Monthly meeting.
Thank you for your continued support.

In support of "**Violence Against Women**" Day on 25 Nov,
 Nowra Branch of CWL will be handing out white ribbons this
 weekend at various Parish Mass centres. Please take one and
 wear it on the 25th to show your support. Thank you

St Michael's Youth Group is having a *Card Making*
 night, 23 Nov, 6.30 – 8pm in the Polding room. Please
 bring supper to share.

Christmas Morning Tea: You are cordially invited to a
 Christmas Morning Tea & Carols sing along at the Holy
 Spirit Church Hall, Vincentia, on **Fri 7 Dec** 10am. For
 more info please call Ron D'Souza 4441 5723.

*Heaven and earth may pass away, but my words will not
 pass away". With these words Jesus reminds us of the
 transitory nature of life. Even the heavens and earth that
 we know will pass away. Only the word of God will last
 forever. Are you placing your trust in the kingdom of God?*



This week the Church and the Nation as a
 whole has been deeply saddened and
 demoralised by the extensive coverage of
 sexual abuse and its consequences,
 specifically reported on in regard to personnel within the
 Church. As clergy we find this darkness and disgrace
 deeply distressing and heart-breaking. We daily pray for
 victims, parishioners, and all disaffected by this painful
 scandal. May the Holy Spirit the Paraclete lead all to
 healing and wholeness.

ISTAND weekend (14-18 year olds) **Fri 23 Nov - Sun 25 Nov**
 at "The Venue" Conference Centre (adjoining Holy Spirit
 College, Bellambi). Cost \$95pp: includes accommodation,
 food & fun activities. Email wollongong@ymt.com.au to
 receive a rego form or ring Chris Brennan on 0433 636 359 for
 info.

**Wollongong Youth Mission Team Presentation
 Night: Fri, 30 Nov**, 7.30pm at St Joseph's Catholic
 Primary School hall, Bulli (50 Park Rd). All ages
 welcome. Dress: Smart Casual, Supper provided.
 RSVP: Christopher email wollongong@ymt.com.au or
 0433 636 359 by Tues, 27 Nov.

First Saturday Devotions 1 Dec: 9am
 Mass will be followed by Adoration of the
 Blessed Sacrament; with Reconciliation,
 Rosary & Benediction at 10.30. Fr Duane will
 give a talk. You are also invited to join us afterwards for our
 Christmas Lunch at the Bomaderry Bowling Club from 12
 noon.





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ANNUAL DISABILITY INCLUSION MASS This Mass



will be celebrated at St Paul's, Tongarra Rd Albion Park, Sun, **2 Dec 9.30am** All people with special needs and their families and friends are welcome. **Contact:** Sr Ruth Davis, sm

0417 279 529. You may like to bring a plate for morning tea in the meeting room after Mass.

Mount Carmel Day Retreat: Sat 8 Dec, 10am – 4pm.

"Advent and Christmas" Praying with Mary and Joseph **Fr. Paul Maunder, OCD** Tea/ Coffee provided, BYO lunch. Retreat Contribution: \$ 20. 247 St Andrews Rd, Varroville, Booking: (02) 8795-3400 or email retreats@carmelite.com /

Parish Staff – Parish Office: 4423 1712

Fr Patrick Faherty: Parish Priest, Nowra

Fr Duane Fernandez: Assistant Priest, Nowra:

Fr Leo Duck: Vincentia; 4441 5571

Fr Ronan Kilgannon: Kangaroo Valley.

Sr Sue Barker: Sr Beverley Coffer,; Sr Margaret

Prendergast, Sr Patricia Lawless SGS: Sisters of the Good Samaritan: Nowra 4421 2260

Sr Val Green, RSC: Sister of Charity :Vincentia

Mrs Lyn West: Catechist Coordinator, 4423 1009

Catriona Nunan: Youth Minister: 0422 201 054

Mrs Liz Nimmo: Part-time Parish Secretary 4423 1712

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Parish Sesquicentenary Book contacts:

Culburra: Mary Nelson 4447 3263

Berry: Barry McAndrew: see him after Mass

Vincentia: Sister Val

Claiming the Date: Mother Ruth Scholarship Fund, Gala Theatre Night, **Wed 13 March 2013**. The play will be "*The Hallelujah Girls*".