



**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.

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, Year B**

**25 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: Please note: there will be no 7am Mass on Mon 26 Nov due the Catechist Mass at 9.30am**.....

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 **Ivan Pendergast** who died this week. Also **Geoff Wilkins** whose anniversary occurs .May they rest in eternal peace.



**Feastday:** Fri 30 Nov: **St Andrew**, apostle

**ANNUAL DISABILITY INCLUSION MASS**

This Mass will be celebrated at St Paul's, Wongarra 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.



**PARISH DISABILITY CONNECTIONS:** All volunteers and families with members who have special needs are invited to a Christmas Luncheon on **Wed 5 Dec** in the Parish Centre, 12 noon-1.30pm. For catering purposes please RSVP to [jeanieh@materdei.org.au](mailto:jeanieh@materdei.org.au) or 4654 8709Vincentia

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



**TAIZE** is a Christian ecumenical prayer using music and repetitive verses. It has inspired many to see God for the first time, or in a new and personal way. The Illawarra Taizé group will visit **St Patrick's, Berry** on **Fri, 30 Nov**, 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome with a light meal beforehand. Contact Gabrielle Fogarty 4232 2735 or Pat Boniface on 4232 1034. Join in this wonderful preparation for Christmas.

**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.

**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.

**St Michael's Children's Liturgy** will be held next Sunday December 2, at the 9.30am Mass.

**The Catholic Missions Office** wishes to acknowledge with gratitude the Parish response to the October Missions' Appeal, which totalled \$6270. Thank you for your generous response once again.

**Culburra Christmas raffle** will be drawn 22 December – donations for hamper gratefully received.

**Liturgical Readers:** Parishioners are encouraged to express their interest in reading at Mass by phoning the Parish office on 4423 1712. Vacancies currently exist on the Reading Roster.



**Nowra Branch of CWL** is holding a **Christmas Raffle** in the Parish over 2 weekends: 2 (& 9 Dec at Berry). Tickets \$2 or 3 for \$5. Prizes: *Gourmet Christmas Hamper; Selection of serving platters; Knife Block.* Drawn 11 Dec at the CWL Monthly meeting. *Thank you for your continued support.*

**On this the Feast of Christ the King 102 children throughout the parish will receive their First Holy Communion.** We sincerely pray that for them and their families this will be a very blessed and grace filled occasion. We owe a special debt of gratitude to our teachers at St Michael's and Catechists in all regions of the Parish who have put so much time and dedication into the children's preparation. This work doesn't get any easier. A very sincere thank you to all



**Are you involved in leading Youth Ministry or would you like to be? Youth Ministry ESSENTIALS** is an exciting, intensive training program open to anybody wishing to further develop their skills & knowledge in ministry with young people. The program also provides opportunity for personal growth and an experience that will deepen participants' understanding and appreciation for this important ministry of the church. **21-25 Jan 2013.** Early bird registration (by 23 Dec 2012) is only \$100.00. For more info or to register head to [www.youth.dow.org.au](http://www.youth.dow.org.au) or email Loretta at [youth@dow.org.au](mailto:youth@dow.org.au).

**MASS FOR YOU AT HOME** will now be shown on **Channel 11 at 5.30am every Sunday** and repeated on the Aurora Channel on Foxtel during the week. This program benefits those who are isolated from the usual parish celebration: through age, illness or imprisonment. If you know someone who would appreciate this program or is in a situation that prevents them attending Mass, please let them know of this programming change.

**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.



**Advent Reflections - AWAKEN** - This year the Diocese has produced a magnificent little Advent Booklet of daily reflections., all written by personnel within the Diocese including Fr Ronan. They sell at \$1 per copy. Please make sure you get one, there may not be an opportunity to place any further orders.



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**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](mailto: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 Coffey,; 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

**Mrs Cath Elton:** Part-time Parish Secretary 4423 1712

**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*".

**Lenten Groups 2013:** Lent begins early with Ash  
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The **St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal** for Nowra-  
Bomaderry will be conducted on the weekend of **8/9**  
**December**. Based on the statistics for the year ending  
June 2012, the local Conference conducted ...  
interviews and distributed \$... in food assistance.

**Parish Sesquicentenary Book contacts:**

**Culburra:** Mary Nelson 4447 3263