



St Michael's Parish, Nowra – Tel: 4423 1712 E-mail: office@nowraparish.org.au

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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: Please note changes for Nowra due to Church painting!

Nowra: Mon 7.00am; **Tues: 7.30am (Hall); Ash Wed** - see special times; and **Thurs 8.15am** (Church); 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 8.00am; Wed 6.15am
S'haven Heads Fridays Community Hall:.. 3.30pm

Confession--Reconciliation

Nowra: Sat 9.30-10.30am & 5.00-5.30pm
Berry; Following Mass on Tuesday 6.00pm
Culburra: Sat 5.30pm.
Kangaroo Valley:..... Sat 4.30-5.00pm
Vincentia:..... Sat 5.00–5.30pm

We prayerfully remember **Alan Halbish** (Berry)  **Elsie MacShane, Margaret Wilson** (mother of Hugh) and **Hilda Detert** (Germany) who died recently. Also **Paul Coffey, Gerald Thompson, Mathilde Hulsman, Les Merriman, Noelene Schmal, Regina Werda** and **Patricia Mary Conroy** whose anniversaries occur at this time. *May they rest in eternal peace.*

Feastday Masses:

Wed13 Feb; ASH WEDNESDAY (Fast & Abstinence)

Nowra: 7.00am, 11.30am & 7.00pm
Culburra: 8.00am. **Berry:**.. 6.30pm
K Valley:.. 8.00am
Vincentia: 8.am & 5.30pm .
Vincentia: *Stations of the Cross* on Fridays after 8am Mass beginning 15 Feb.

Nowra CWL will have their 1st meeting for 2013 on Tuesday **12 Feb**. Morning tea at 9.30am is followed by the meeting at 10am in the Parish Centre. Contact: Judy 4421 8565.



St Michael's Parish Sesquicentenary 1863 - 2013; with **"Cruising Down the Shoalhaven River"** on **Sunday 17 March**.

Parishioners are invited to board from Nowra Wharf at 11.40am for a 12noon departure, cruising to Greenwell Point and returning at 3.30pm. BYO lunch. **Tickets are \$20** and can be purchased from the Parish Office. Please Note: payment when buying your ticket would be appreciated. Inquiries phone: 4423 1712. **Help enthuse the sesquicentenary spirit.!**

Holy Spirit Church, Vincentia – Music Ministry Choir for Lent and Easter. This is a call for Singers to learn some beautiful music for Lent and Easter. First Practice will be held on **Thurs 14 Feb**, 3.00pm in the Church. Please come along and call Deirdre & Richard Sedman 4443 7825 dsedman@clubtelco.com to let us know your interest so we can arrange music.

Mother Ruth Scholarship Fund Theatre Gala: **"The Hallelujah Girls"**; includes champagne on arrival and extended interval supper; **Wed 13 March**, 7pm for 7.30pm, Nowra Players Theatre, Bomaderry. **Adults \$35**. Contact: Denise Jones 0419 248 889 or 4423 2299 (BH). Tickets need to be paid to guarantee a seat.

Catechist Courses – Level 1 Basic Course Fri, 8 & 15 Feb, 9.30–1.30pm at Xavier Centre, W'gong. The full LEVEL 1 Course will continue Fri, 22 Feb and 1 & 8 March 9.30–1.30pm, same venue Please contact Cindy on 4640 8550 or email cindy.oliver@dow.org.au

The first Sesquicentenary Meeting for 2013 will be on Monday February 18th at the Parish Centre – 7.00.p.m. All are very welcome.

CatholicCare are running some great **Family Support Programs** to help parents and kids have a positive start to the year. You can download the timetable, including all the upcoming program details, dates and costs at <http://tinyurl.com/bdgy6nr>

I wish to sincerely thank Fr Leo, the Vincentia people, and members of the Vincentia and Nowra Branches of the CWL for all your prayers for a good recovery from my recent operation. With gratitude, Fay Peters.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary time, Year C

10 February 2013



Bishop Peter will celebrate Mass at St Michael's on Friday evening next at 6.00.p.m. for the combined Staff of the Catholic Schools in the Shoalhaven

Parishes Planning For The Future By Working Together – Register To Give Your Feedback. Last week Bishop Peter Ingham launched **"Parishes Working Together - Addressing Current And Future Pastoral Needs In The Diocese Of Wollongong"**. Parishioners are invited to attend a parish Information session to be held **Sat 9 March, 9.30- 2.30pm**, in the **Berry Hall** (Please note change of venue). **Please add your name to the Registration Forms at Church entrances.** It is very important that you are informed about this process of change as every parish in our Diocese will be affected. We need your feedback as we prepare for the future.



Returning 'home' to the Church at St Michael's. At St Michael's we are looking forward to returning 'home' to the Church after seven weeks. The task of moving the pews back to the Church is ahead of us. I would be most grateful for some able bodied people to assist us on Tuesday next commencing at 9.15.a.m. There will also be some 'light but essential work' such as dusting that needs to be done. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated

"Believe" Lenten Program Books are now on sale for \$6 after Weekend Masses and at the Parish Centre.



You are welcome to buy a copy even if you are not joining a group. **Enquiries in Nowra / Bomaderry:** Francene 4421 5962, Tina 4422 9250, or Bernie 4421 2968. **For other areas** your local contact people are: Berry/ S'Heads: Christine Da Silva 44641035; Callala: Joyce Buttel 4446 5569; Culburra: Harry Ray 44472941; Currarong: Connie Heap 44483157; Vincentia: Fr Leo 44415571.

As we begin our Lenten Journey, may we be blessed with a deeper knowledge of Jesus and the depth of His Love. We also ask that His love be abundantly shown to those who have gone before us in faith over the past year.



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15 February to darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au or 4222 2463



Your donations to Caritas Australia's Project Compassion



give expression to the Gospel imperative to pursue justice and help those suffering from poverty and disadvantage. Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of Lenten envelopes and give generously to the appeal this Lent.

Beginning Experience Weekend: 1-3 March, at Mt St Benedict, Pennant Hills. This is a weekend program to help those grieving through separation, divorce or death to move from their grief into renewed hope and positive growth. Contact beginningexperiencesydney@live.com.au or Lynne on 4627 2084 by 13 Feb.

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.

Deacon Peter Presdee - Chaplain to Corrective Services

Mrs Lyn West: Catechist Coordinator, 4423 1009

Mrs Liz Nimmo: Part-time Parish Secretary 4423 1712

Mrs Cath Elton: Part-time Parish Secretary 4423 1712

Thank God For Evolution – Reconciling Faith & Science, with Fr Eduardo Scarel (Carmelite -



Argentina), **Wed, 6 March** at St Paul's Parish Hall, Tongarra Rd, Albion Pk. from. Fr (Dr) Eduardo is a Carmelite priest from who is highly **Program:** 5.30pm Liturgy followed by light meal and Fr Scarel from 7.00pm. Cost: \$10. To assist with catering please confirm your attendance by calling Marie Milne 4232 1535 or email Wendy.Carter@dow.catholic.edu.au

Catholic Supply Shop Has Moved to Lower Crown St, W'gong (formerly the SFX School entrance). Piety items, sacramental supplies, bibles, missals, rosaries, etc are for sale Mon-Fri, 9am–4.30pm & Sat, 9–12noon. Tel 4222 2484.

To Let: Nowra, 1 bedroom furnished granny flat. Close to shops, schools, quiet street. Female only. No pets, no smoking, references essential. Including electricity and water \$190. Phone 4422 3801.

Claiming Dates in 2013

- **April: 8th-12th Parish Mission with a difference –** The Catholic Guy (a team of five)
- **Saturday 4th May.** Inaugural fundraising Gala Dinner for St Vincent de Paul Society. .

Illawarra Social Justice Forum: Wed, 20 Feb, 5-

6:30pm, Xavier Centre, 38 Harbour St W'gong

Are you interested in social justice issues being faced by people in the Illawarra region and wider world? The Diocesan Justice Ecology & Peace Council invites you to participate in a forum on Social Justice in the Illawarra. The aim is to develop ways in which we can support each other in the work for social justice in this region of the Diocese. **Enquiries and RSVP by**