



**St Michael's Parish**, Nowra – Tel: 4423 1712 E-mail: [office@nowraparish.org.au](mailto:office@nowraparish.org.au)

**Second Sunday of Easter, Year C**

**7 April 2013**

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Sacred Heart, Bomaderry; Mary, Help of Christians, Culburra; St Joseph, Kangaroo Valley; Holy Spirit, Vincentia.

**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 this week.**

**Nowra:** ..... Mon 7.00am; Tues/Wed/Thurs 8.15am  
..... Fri 7.00am and 11.30am; Sat 9.00am  
**Berry:** Tues 5.30pm..... **Culburra:** Thurs 5.30pm  
**Vincentia:**..... Mon.8.00am; Tues/Wed 5.30pm  
**K Valley:** ..... Mon/Tues 8.00am; Wed 6.15am

**Confession--Reconciliation**

**Nowra:** Sat 9.30-10.30am  
**Berry:** Tuesday 6.00pm and Sat 9.00-10.00.a.m.  
**Kangaroo Valley:**..... Sat 4.30-5.00pm  
**Vincentia:**..... Sat 5.00-5.30pm

We prayerfully remember **Lorraine Mary Spence** and **Kathleen Nicholson** (Hyam's Beach), who died this week. Also **Jack Regan, Trudy Chalker, Elva Merriman**, and **Tom Guthrie** whose anniversaries occur. *May they rest in eternal peace.*



**Feastdays:**

Mon 8 April: **Annunciation of the Lord**  
Thurs 11 April: **St Stanislaus**, bishop, martyr

**St Michael's: Readers needed** for 2<sup>nd</sup> week every month at 8am and 6pm Mass on Sundays. If you can help, please call Wendy on 4422 6002. Many thanks.  
**April/May roster now available in church foyer.**

**Mass of Thanksgiving celebrating 180 years since the first recorded Mass was celebrated in Wollongong, Wed 17 April**, 12.10pm, St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Wollongong. Parishioners from all parishes in the Illawarra are welcome to participate in this Mass.

From 7 April the Catholic program "**Mass For You At Home**" will be broadcast on **Channel 11, Sunday mornings at 5.30am**. This program benefits those who for various reasons are unable to attend Mass. The website is <http://www.mfyah.com.au/> and the most recent Sunday Mass is available for viewing at any time.

**POPE FRANCIS, an extract from his Easter homily.**

"Jesus does not simply return to life; rather, he is life itself, because he is the Son of God, the living God. Jesus no longer belongs to the past, but lives in the present and is projected towards the future; Jesus is the everlasting "today" of God. This is how the newness of God appears to the women, the disciples and all of us: as victory over sin, evil and death, over everything that crushes life and makes it seem less human. And this is a message meant for me and for you dear sister, for you dear brother. How often does Love have to tell us: Why do you look for the living among the dead? Our daily problems and worries can wrap us up in ourselves, in sadness and bitterness... and that is where death is. That is not the place to look for the One who is alive!"



would like to **thank you sincerely** for supporting Project Compassion. To-date we have banked over \$9,000. Together, we are working towards the creation of the just and compassionate world that God desires.

**Shoalhaven Crossroads** will meet at Nowra Baptist Church Old Southern Rd, **Fri 12 April**, 7.15 – 9.15pm. Enquiries: Beth 4421 8137.

**CWL** invites you to a **Mothers' Day AFTERNOON TEA** Sat **4 May**, 2.00pm at St Michael's Parish Hall. *All mothers and grandmothers most welcome.* Come along & be entertained by **food of love** choral group.



**Fundraising Dinner: St Vincent de Paul Society.** Reminder that on **Sat 4 May** a **Winter Appeal Charity Dinner** is being held at Bomaderry Bowling Club for the benefit of the local St Vincent de Paul Society. Tickets \$90 each, include 3 course meal, drinks, entertainment & guest speaker. There will also be a silent auction, but no live auction. Invitations are available at Church doors. For more information please contact Kath Gleeson (4421 6690) or Ivor Davies (4421 0053). *We need your help to raise much needed funds for our local work with needy families and the homeless.*



**The Catholic Guy Event starting this Sunday!**

An event for everyone! **be inspired!** **April 7, 7.30pm**, in St Michael's School Hall. Five life changing sessions.

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You are cordially invited to **Morning Tea at the Holy Spirit Church hall**, Vincentia, on **Tues 15 April** at 10.00 am. *Meet old friends and make new ones.*

**Holy Spirit Community Vincentia** Annual General Meeting of the Auxiliary **Sat 13 April**, 1pm, Church Hall.

**Catechist Corner:** *Child Protection & Smartboard Inservice 8 April at Campbelltown.* Ring Cindy Oliver 4640 8550 to register. We all need to upgrade Child Protection every 3 years. **URGENTLY NEEDED** for term 2-Catechists for yr 1/2 at BOMADERRY, Kinder at JUDITH Drv & CAMBEWARRA. Contact Lyn 44-231009 if you can help.

**Nowra CWL** monthly meeting, **Tues 9 April**, 9.30am morning tea is followed by the meeting at 10am in the Parish Centre. Contact: Judy 4421 8565.

**MESSAGE TO THE PEOPLE OF THE DIOCESE REGARDING THE ROYAL COMMISSION:**

"As you are aware, in November last year Prime Minister called a Royal Commission to inquire into child sexual abuse and the responses of institutions, including churches and government and not-for-profit organisations. ...I now wish to inform you that as Bishop of Wollongong I have been asked to provide to the Royal Commission documentation relevant to the Inquiry. I am complying fully with this request and am grateful to the staff of my own Office and of the Catholic Education Office and CatholicCare for their ready assistance in this regard. (Bishop Peter Ingham)... Copies of the Bishop's message are available at the Churches.



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**GRACED TO EVANGELISE & THE ROAD TO PENTECOST / INPUT SESSIONS.** Parishioners throughout the Diocese are invited to attend the *Graced to Evangelise* afternoon with Bishop Julian Porteous. This key event will be held on **Sat 20 April, 1 - 4.30pm** at the new **Diocesan Offices, Xavier Centre, 38 Harbour St W'gong** and is a perfect way to move from our Lenten Season into preparation for Pentecost. It is sure to be an inspiring afternoon that equips those who attend with the skills and enthusiasm to share the most precious gift of all, our faith. **This will be followed by 4 evening sessions called the Road to Pentecost on Thursday evenings 2, 9, 16 and 23 May from 7.30-9.00pm at the Xavier Centre**, focusing on openness to God's grace as we participate in the mission of the Church. For bookings contact Vince Fitzwilliam 0413 126 095 or Jude Hennessy 4222 2407 / [jude.hennessy@dow.org.au](mailto:jude.hennessy@dow.org.au)

through Scripture, music and the arts. Expect to laugh, learn, reflect and be changed by this truly powerful Catholic experience. No matter your age or background this event is for you. Come and have an amazing experience without being asked to do anything.

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**All sessions, in St Michael's Hall, will run for approx 1½ hours with tea/coffee afterwards.** More information available from the back of the Holy Week timetable; The Catholic Guy Flyer or [www.TheCatholicGuy.com](http://www.TheCatholicGuy.com)

**Majellan Family Magazine** For a number of years, the St Vincent de Paul Society has been purchasing this magazine for display and purchase, in the Church pamphlet racks. However, interest has decreased such that the Society will no longer be providing this service. *'The Majellan'* is a great resource for young families and if anyone would like to obtain copies in the future, Majellan Publications can be contacted on 03 9592 2777, [www.majellan.org.au](http://www.majellan.org.au) or [office@majellan.org.au](mailto:office@majellan.org.au)

**SVDP Piety Store** in Berry Street Nowra has religious items available for sale. Phone 4421 7244.

**Claiming the Date:**

- **Diocesan Marriage Anniversaries Mass** will be held on **Sun 8 Sept** (2.00 pm) at the Co-Cathedral, Fairy Meadow.

**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

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**THE CATHOLIC GUY coming to St Michael's Parish, Nowra for five inspiring and life changing sessions.**

Experience the power of God in a real and relevant way