



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.

Immaculate Heart of Mary The Diocesan Feastday 9 June 2013

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 8.00am; Tues/Wed/Thurs 8.15am
Fri 7.00am and 11.30am; Sat 9.00am

Berry: Tues 5.30pm.**Culburra:** Thurs 5.30pm

Vincentia:.... Mon/Thurs/Fri.8.00am; Tues/Wed 5.30pm

K Valley: Sunday Mass only until further notice.

Shoalhaven Heads:Fri 3.30pm Community Centre

Confession - Reconciliation

Nowra:.....Sat 9.30-10.30am

Berry: Tues 6.00pm**K Valley:** Sat 4.30-5.00pm

Vincentia: Sat 5.00-5.30pm

We prayerfully remember **William (Bill) Hogg** who died recently. Also **John Baumann, Margaret Casson, Maria Trang** and **Marcia Sherry** whose anniversaries occur. *May they rest in eternal peace.*



Confirmation Masses: Please note -Sunday June

16, at 9.30am & 1.30pm. Parishioners who usually attend the 9.30am Mass and have no direct involvement with Confirmation may prefer to attend an alternate Mass next weekend.

Reflection –Prayer Evening for Confirmation Candidates and their parents on Wednesday June 12th at 7.00.p.m. St Michael's

Feastdays:
 Tues 11 June: **St Barnabas**, apostle
 Thurs 13 June: **St Anthony of Padua**, priest, doctor

Please note Sesquicentenary Parish Dinner will be on Friday Evening Sept 27th. and the main Liturgical celebration on Sunday Sept 29th.

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



Immaculate Heart of Mary: Patroness of our Diocese.

“On our annual Diocesan Patronal Feast, we are aware of how Mary pondered all that had happened to her in her heart (Lk 2:52) for it is in Mary's Immaculate Heart this Diocese dwells. We turn to Mary, our Mother, for comfort, loving support and encouragement in all we do, as disciples

of her son.

We entrust our Diocese, our parishes, our schools, our families, our clergy and religious to Mary's care and powerful intercession as we, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears – pray that Mary, a most gracious Advocate, will turn her eyes of mercy towards us, and after this our exile on earth, show unto us the blessed fruit of her womb, Jesus.” (Bishop Peter.)

A number of the faithful with the approval of the Bishop have made a little card with a Prayer of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary available, whilst inviting us to prayer for the following intentions.

- For the good of the Diocese and its future.
- For the families of our Diocese.
- For an increase in vocations in the Diocese.
- For Bishop Peter Ingham, as Shepherd and Bishop, and for the priests and religious of this Diocese.
- For our Holy Father, Pope Francis.

Nowra CWL: monthly meeting, **Tuesday 11 June**, Parish Centre. Morning tea is at 9.30am; and the meeting follows at 10am. Contact: Judy Thompson.



Youth Mass: 6pm Sun June 16, St Michael's.

Would you like to be involved -readings, offertory, collections, music? Then turn up to Mass 15 minutes early on the day and speak to Fr Pat or Fr Duane. *Everyone welcome.*



Shoalhaven Crossroads meets next Friday, 14 June, 7.15-9.15pm, at Nowra Baptist Church. Enquiries : Beth 4421 8137.

Holy Spirit Vincentia Community Next Auxiliary meeting **Saturday 15 June** 1pm in Church Hall. This meeting is inclusive of all parishioners in our community.

Holy Spirit Vincentia Movie Fundraiser held 2 June. The organising committee wishes to **thank** all who contributed; providing goodies for lunch, & just by being there to support the community. The amount raised was just over \$1600 - a very good result. It was also an opportunity to say a final farewell to Sr. Val who heads for her new home in Sydney shortly.'

Planned Giving: As the end of the financial year is fast approaching it would be much appreciated if parishioners are able to bring their Planned Giving contributions up to date. Few of us need reminding of how costs have risen over the years. This is very much a reality especially when it comes to the maintenance of our Church properties in six communities. Insurance premium alone now stands at \$43,000. We encourage new subscribers to the Parish Planned Giving; just contact the Parish Office 44231712.

Please note – Anyone having envelopes in the 500 series you will find you have been allocated a new number. This is due to a decline in the number of contributors meaning we have ordered fewer envelopes this year.

Nowra Lyrebird RSL Day Club is a weekly social program for older people from the community. Day Clubs are run by volunteers, and additional volunteers are currently sought. Please phone 4423 3330.

BeingCatholic is a popular Australian website that provides a great range of articles, video and interviews to support Catholics on the journey of life and faith. Visit www.beingcatholic.com.au to read the latest article, "How To Become A Saint In One Easy Step."

MASS STREAMED LIVE: For those unable to attend Mass because of sickness or age. The Diocese of Broken Bay has begun streaming Mass live:

Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara 9.30am on each day Adoration and Benediction on Saturdays following 9.30am Mass
The Chapel at the Caroline Chisholm Centre, Pennant Hills
 Mass streamed live Weekdays (Monday to Friday) 8.30am
 Go to: <http://tinyurl.com/b7b23dg>



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For appropriate **Confirmation gifts**- visit the St Vincent De Paul Piety Shop in Berry St. Nowra. Ph: 4421 7244. Items can also be ordered from a catalogue.

Confirmation cards & gifts are also available from Bomaderry Piety Stall: Open each Sunday after 9.30am Mass.

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

Free e-book, entitled ***Son of God: The Daily Gospel Year C-1*** presents the daily Gospel, with reflection for Liturgical Year C-1. The book has the Imprimatur of Bishop Anthony Fisher OP of Parramatta, www.catholic-thoughts.info/ebook/

Come and See.. Do you know someone who might be interested in becoming Catholic - maybe a family member or friend or neighbour? Sometimes a person says: "I was just waiting for someone to ask me." Perhaps you yourself are wondering whether you might explore this path. A group will be starting soon at St Michael's Parish for people thinking about making the journey towards Baptism or full membership of the Catholic faith. Feel free to contact the parish office, Sister Sue or speak to the priests, no commitment needed at this stage.
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