



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.

..... **Second Sunday of Easter, Year A**
27 April 2014

Sunday Masses:

Nowra: Vigil 6pm, 8.00am, 9.30am & 6.00pm
Berry: 8.00am
Bomaderry: 9.30am
Culburra: Vigil 6.00pm,
Vincentia: Vigil 6.00pm, & 9.30am
Kangaroo Valley: 11.00am.



Masses during the week.

Nowra: .Mon 7.00am; Tues/Wed/Thurs 8.15am.
.....Fri 7.00am & 11am; Sat 9.00am
Holy Hour Fridays 10.30-11.30am

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

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

S'haven Heads Community Hall: Fri 3.30pm

Confession/Reconciliation

Nowra: Sat 9.30-10.30am & 5-5.30pm

Culburra Sat 5.30pm

Vincentia: Sat 5.00-5.30pm

SVdP Rosary: Tues 9.30am St Michael's Church. All welcome

Feastdays: Mon 28 Apr, St Peter Chanel, Priest, Martyr
Tues 29 Apr, St Catherine of Siena, Doctor
Fri 2 Apr, Sts Philip & James, apostles

We prayerfully remember the recently deceased: **Pauline Marshall, Clare Walsh** (LakeHeights-Berry), **Anthony Heaton** (Brisbane), and **Stuart Charman** (Kingscliff) Also **Charlie Borg, George Rouen and Michelle Christian** whose anniversaries occur at this time. *May they rest in eternal peace.*



A sincere thank you to so many parishioners who prepared our Churches and Liturgies for Holy Week and Easter: Liturgies, flowers, Church cleaning, Altar linen, grounds etc. All of this enhances the sacredness and beauty of the Feast and Season.

Project Compassion: We don't yet have a final figure for donations, but the early indications are that it will be very generous indeed.

1st Saturday Marian Devotions 3 May. Mass at 9^{am} is followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Reconciliation, Rosary, & Benediction at 10.30^{am}. Morning tea follows, everyone is most welcome.

Nowra Parish-Sesquicentenary History

'A Faithful People'...Easter Season special rate \$20 per copy, available at each of our Churches.

CHILD PROTECTION COURSE FOR CATECHISTS

Illawarra – Shoalhaven: Xavier Centre, 38 Harbour St, **W'gong, Fri, 9 May 10^{am}-12.30^{pm}. No cost, morning tea provided. For bookings contact Cindy Oliver by 1 May. Ph 4640 8550 or cindy.oliver@dow.org.au.**

Divine Mercy Sunday 27 April- Vincentia:

Devotions from 2.30^{pm} including Benediction & Reconciliation. Followed by afternoon tea.

Have you thought about becoming a Catholic? A number of adults in our parish are beginning the journey towards Baptism or full membership of the Catholic faith. Have you sometimes thought about making that journey to and wondered what it would entail? OR Do you know someone who might be interested? Come along to an evening enquiry session, no commitment needed to attend. Tues 13 May St. Michael's Parish Centre 7.30pm. For information ring: 4423 1712 Fr Duane/ Sr Sue Nowra

St Vincent de Paul Society Gala Dinner 3 May. Should be a great evening. Monday 28 April is the absolute latest for acceptances .Please contact Ivor on 44210053 or 44210929, should you wish to attend or complete an invitation form from one of the Churches.



Bay and Basin Catholic Women's League meeting

Thur 1 May, lunch 12.00, followed by the meeting at 1pm in Church Hall. Contact Eileen 4443 8008.

SVDP Culburra Conference – New Members Needed

Callala Area. The conference is asking for volunteers to help with home visits in the Callala/Currarong area. No experience necessary; training provided. Please consider helping with this very important work, assisting those less fortunate in our community. For further details contact: Bill Allison 4446 6516.

SVdP Piety Stall, 5 Berry St Nowra. Religious items for sale. Other items can be ordered from catalogue.

VATICAN CITY - Celebrating

Easter Pope Francis washed the feet of 12 disabled people on Holy Thursday Evening, and baptised 10 people of different nationalities at the Easter Vigil Mass. He urged them to bring their faith 'to the ends of the earth'. Pope Francis also prayed for peace in Ukraine and Syria and for an end to the terrorist attacks in Nigeria that have targeted so many Christians. More than 150,000 people -attended the Mass on Easter Sunday celebrated at an altar set up under a canopy on the steps of St. Peter's Basilica. So many came that they overflowed the huge square, which was bedecked with row after row of potted daffodils, sprays of blue hyacinths and bunches of white roses. Pope Francis noted that this year the Catholic Church's celebration of Easter coincided with that of Orthodox churches, which have many followers in Ukraine



Bomaderry Waratah RSL Day Club. Day Clubs are a weekly social program for older people from both the ex-service and wider community. If you would like to volunteer to assist pls ph Rosemary 4423 3330.

MOTHER'S DAY AFTERNOON TEA:CWL Nowra Branch members invite all ladies of the parish to our Annual Mother's Day Afternoon Tea, Sat 3 May 1.30pm St Michael's Parish Hall. Entertainment by "Trilogy"

(Pope (St) John Paul 11- introduction to Divine Mercy Sunday. Dear Brothers and Sisters:

On this 2nd Sunday of Easter, the Church invites us to look with confidence to the Father, rich in mercy, who raised up for us his Son Jesus, and gave us the gift of his consoling Spirit. Grant us the gift of peace that the Risen Christ, the Lord of life and Lord of history, offers to us and to the whole of humanity as the sign of his love, and of his victory over sin and death. Ever conscious that the Holy Spirit opens our hearts to faith and conversion, let us humbly acknowledge all our sins, always confident of the merciful love of our Father who has made us his sons and daughters through the waters of baptism. Now Saints John 23rd and John Paul 11- prayer for us.



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Taize Meeting For Youth 22 May 2014 Br Ghislaine from the Taize Community in France will be holding a seminar at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre **Thurs 22 May 11 – 2.30pm**. The target age-group is 16 and up. Cost \$20 (includes afternoon tea). BYO lunch. For further info: John Ransom, generalmanager@carmelite.com, 0435 857 690 or 8795 3400.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION & MARRIAGE ANNULMENTS Wed 14 May 11:30-1:00 Xavier Conference Ctre 38 Harbour St W'gong
Workshop focusing on the Marriage Annulment process & its implications for Christian Initiation. Led by the W'gong Office of the Marriage Tribunal, participants develop an understanding of the process of marriage annulments as a potential requirement before Christian Initiation into the Catholic Church can take place. **Lunch provided. RSVP by Mon 12 May to Helen Bennett on 4222 2403 or helen.bennett@dow.org.au**

Save the Date: 21 June Diocesan Workshops on Lay Pastoral Ministry at W'gong
26 July 50th Anniversary of St Michael's P&F. More information to follow.

Palms Information Session, *Interested in volunteering in overseas communities?* Xavier Centre (Ingham Rm) 38 Harbour St (Cnr Crown & Harbour Sts), W'gong. Entry is directly behind the Cathedral **Thurs 1 May 5:30 – 7pm**. Enq: Roger 9518 9551 roger@palms.org.au

