



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.

..... **Third Sunday of Easter, Year A**
4th May 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 & 11.30am
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 5.30p.m
Vincentia: Sat 5.00–5.30pm
SVdP Rosary: Tues 9.30am St Michael's Church. All welcome

Mothers' Day Mass – Fri 9 May 11.30_{am} in the Hall

We prayerfully remember the recently deceased: **Kathleen Martin, Pauline Marshall, Bernard and Eileen Hayden, Eleanor Eade, Basil Lynskey (Dublin) Deborah Davis.** Also **Eric Devereaux, Kevin Robinson, Don Allen, Patrick Firmstone and Neil McIntyre** - whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in eternal peace.



Project Compassion: To-date returns from Project Compassion 2014 indicate a record level. There were a number of very large individual donations which has taken the total to more than \$18,000. This is a magnificent response to the worthy projects supported by **Caritas Australia.**

The Collection for the Holy Places on Good Friday was \$3,866. A sincere thank you to parishioners and visitors for your generosity.

Thank you sincerely to all Lenten Group leaders, all who participated in the wonderful Lenten Program 'Encounter' and the Paschal Meal; from Tina, Bernie, Maree and Francene



St Vincent De Paul: May is recruitment month for the Society. All 6 Conferences within the Parish are in need of members. Berry, S'haven Heads, St Michael's-Nowra, Sacred Heart –Care Conference, Culburra and Vincentia. Please give this apostolate your prayerful consideration.

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

Mother Ruth Scholarship Fund Theatre Gala

The Trustees wish to thank all those who contributed to this year's profit of over \$3400 for the Theatre Gala. Special thanks also to the raffle donors, those who donated money and donated to the supper. The raffle made \$1,000+ only leaving us a shortfall of \$400 for next year.

Christian Churches of Berry invite you to a *continental breakfast* on **Sat 10 May, 8_{am}-9.30_{am}** at Presbyterian Church Berry. *Guest Speaker:* Carlie Chapman *Topic:* "The Highs & Lows of Raising a Christian Family in Today's Society"

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_{am}-2.30_{pm}**. The target age-group 16 and up. Cost \$20 (includes afternoon tea). BYO lunch. Further info: John Ransom, generalmanager@carmelite.com, 0435 857 690 or 8795 3400.

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 Ph 4640 8550 or cindy.oliver@dow.org.au**

SMARTBOARD TRAINING FOR CATECHISTS

Catechists and others who work with Children in Ministry are encouraged to attend a SmartBoard Training day being run by CCD Wollongong. The Course will run on **Fri 16 May** at the Xavier Centre, 38 Harbour St W'gong. SmartBoard Training runs from 10_{am}-2.30_{pm}. There is no cost. Morning tea provided. For bookings please contact Mrs Cindy Oliver on 4640 8550 or cindy.oliver@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.

The Canonisation of Popes: John 23rd and John Paul 11



An estimated 800,000 people gathered at St Peter's and on the streets of Rome to participate in the Mass Pope Francis and the Pope

Emeritus concelebrated during which the canonisation of two of their predecessors, Saints John Paul II and John XXIII took place. The square was packed to capacity as more than 500,000 people filled the surrounding area; those unable to cross the bridges to the Vatican watched from large screens in several areas throughout the city, including the Roman Forum and Piazza Navona. Vatican spokesman the Rev. Federico Lombardi said beforehand that as many as 93 delegations from countries round the world would be in attendance, 150 cardinals and 1,000 bishops, as well as some 6,000 priests. When reflecting on what it was that attracted such a massive gathering of all ages and from all regions of the world, the commentators on Vatican T.V remarked "people **are drawn by goodness and holiness**"



Confirmation: A Meeting of Parents and Candidates from all regions of the parish. (Signs & Symbols) - Wednesday May 7th at 7pm, St

Michael's Parish Hall. **All Parent(s) and candidates to attend, and sponsors where possible.**

CATHOLIC MISSION 'HEAL THE BROKEN-HEARTED' RWANDA CAMPAIGN LAUNCH 7:30_{pm} Fri 23 May @ Xavier Centre Conference Room (next to Cathedral) 'focusing on the incredible work of the Rwandan Catholic Church since the 1994 genocide'

Join Bishop Peter Ingham as we listen to amazing stories of tragedy and survival, forgiveness and hope from two Rwandan genocide survivors. Marking the twentieth anniversary of the 1994 Rwandan genocide, Catholic Mission launches its 2014 Propagation of the Faith campaign 'Heal the Broken-Hearted' **RSVP (for light supper catering)** Catholic Mission Diocesan Director, **David Harrison 4222 2482 / 0449 716 363 or email wollongong.director@catholicmission.org.au**



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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.

