

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

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CORPUS CHRISTI, Year A 22 June 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 7.00amTues/Wed/Thurs 8.15am. Fri 7.00am & 11.30am Sat 9.00am

Holy Hour Fridays 10.30-11.30am

Berry: Tuesday: 5.30.p.m **Culburra** Thurs 5.30pm

Vincentia Mon/Thurs/Fri 8.00am; Tues/Wed 5.30pm S'haven Heads: Friday Mass at the Heads will not be

celebrated again until August 1st. 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

We prayerfully remember the recently deceased:
Sandra Makila, Also Monsignor John Purcell
(20th), Marjorie Hay, Margaret Leary, Myrtle
Austin, Alice O'Heir, Marie Batton, Jack & Noreen
Christian - whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in eternal peace.

Our prayerful best wishes to the Nowra St Vincent de Paul Conference which celebrated its 80th birthday on Tuesday June 17th.

John Purcell House, 11 Lawrence Ave



Congratulations to the St Vincent de Paul Society, especially to all associated with the John Purcell Men's Hostel, officially opened and blessed on Tuesday 17th; it is great credit to the faith,

conviction and commitment of many people. **John Purcell House** now provides 11 emergency accommodation rooms (up to 3mths), 5 temporary, and 2 long term rooms. There are facilities for intensive case management, Ozanam Learning Centre, and recreational facilities..etc..

SVdP St. Francis Care Conference Do you have a little time to spare to visit residents at the Jim Da Silva Farm? A *Care Conference* has been formed for this purpose & new members are being sought. Meetings are held at the farm, Mass celebrated once a month at the farm. Info: **Br. Tony 4423 6120 / Jim 4464 1035**.

PLANNED GIVING: As the end of the financial year is fast approaching it would be greatly appreciated if parishioners are able to bring their Planned Giving contributions up to date. We encourage parishioners to do your best to review your contribution in terms of today's costs, and of course we are always glad to enlist new subscribers to the Parish Planned Giving Program, simply contact the Parish Office 4423 1712.

Why two Collections at Sunday Mass? – a word of explanation!



The First Collection: The contributions to this collection throughout the Diocese is disbursed as follows: Domestic needs

(groceries) for the Presbytery are paid from this collection after which the remainder is forwarded to a Diocesan Central Fund from which clergy monthly stipends are paid, health fund payments for the clergy are made, contributions to retired and sick priests.

2nd Collection: (Planned Giving Envelopes and loose money): All parish expenditure, ie; all repairs and maintenance, electricity, water, wages, printing, stationery, telephone, insurance (for the Nowra Parish: \$41,000 per annum), clergy allowance for cars, parish programmes, and ministries. (All parish accounts are externally audited annually.) Please collect your new Planned Giving Envelopes which are available at the Churches this weekend.

<u>INVITATION</u> – ST. MICHAEL'S SCHOOL PARENTS & FRIENDS 50TH ANNIVERSARY SOCIAL EVENT, Sat 26 July, 5pm School Walk; 6pm Mass, 7pm Dinner (BYO drink). Where: school hall, Dress: Black & White theme, Cost: \$40pp. Entertainment provided. RSVP: 18 July, Karen 0418440021 / karenmuller289@gmail.com

St John The Evangelist High School Annual School Production, 'Sheerluck Holmes' set within the framework of late Victorian England, this musical is an hilariously extravagant send-up of the great detective and the ever-bumbling Watson! Purchase tickets via school office or school website. Thur 17, Fri 18, Sat 19 July 7.30pm. Adults \$12 Concession/Student \$7

The Feast of Corpus Christi – originated in Liege Belgium -13th century (c 1264)



"When the Church celebrates the Eucharist the memorial of her Lord's death and resurrection, this central event of salvation becomes really present and the work of our redemption is carried out. This sacrifice is so decisive for the salvation of the human race that Jesus Christ offered it and returned to the Father only after he had left us a means of sharing in it as if we had been present

there. Each member of the faithful can thus take part in it and inexhaustibly gain its fruits. This is the faith from which generations of Christians down the ages have lived... "(Pope John Paul – On the Eucharist 1:11 — 2003)

CONFIRMATION: Congratulations to the 89 young parishioners confirmed last Sunday and to you, their parents. The ceremony was most reverent and prayerful. The young people and indeed both congregations were admirable in regard to attentiveness and cooperation. The overall success and harmony was due in no small way to the diligent preparation by our Teachers and Catechists.

HOLY SPIRIT VINCENTIA - SPRING FUN & FOOD FAIR (6 Sept). MEETING Sun 29 June following 9.30am Mass. Please Note: Co-ordinators of stalls, and any other interested volunteers would be most welcome.

HOLY SPIRIT COMMUNITY MORNING TEA Fri 4 July 10am Holy Spirit Hall. Plse bring a plate if you are able.

I will be visiting my family in Ireland from June 23rd –July 25th. Fr Duane with the support of the priests of the parish, and your cooperation will very diligently care for the parish during my absence. I am most grateful to him, the priests of the Parish and Fr Bernard Gordon who will attend to the pastoral needs of the Parish during this time. (Fr Pat).

Feastdays: June 24th Tues – Birth of St John the Baptist

Friday 27th- The Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Sunday 29th - Sts Peter and Paul

Sunday 6 July: The Immaculate Heart of Mary – our Diocesan Feastday



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EMBRACING ABILITY – DISABILITY AWARENESS WORKSHOP focusing on how we can embrace the ability of all people who come to participate in the worship and communal life of our parish communities, especially people with disability and their families. More info & registration: ruth.davis@catholiccare.dow.org.au

Thur 26 June, Xavier Centre W'gong 7:30pm-9:00

CatholicCare SIBS Charity Golf Day - Mon 30 June, Port Kembla Golf Club. CatholicCare's Family & Sibling support (SIBS) Program, provides information & support for the siblings in families of kids with a disability. Get your team together & register to play in this event to help make a unique difference. Info: Chiara Mammone 4254 9308 or chiaram@catholiccare.dow.org.au

DISCIPLES OF JESUS WOLLONGONG WOMEN'S BREAKFAST Sat 28 June 8.30am-10.30

Speaker: Gabrielle Abel 'Keeping Children Catholic'. This breakfast open to all women 17yrs+, at Cafe Essay, Salvation Army building, Burelli St, W'gong. Cost: \$20 pp breakfast/coffee/tea. RSVP 21 June, Derrian Kadmon 0411608024 / kadmonfamily@gmail.com

HARTZER PARK SIX DAY GUIDED RETREAT — "The Exodus Story" It's significance for our understanding of Jesus, 19-25 Sept 2014. Held at Hartzer Park, 25 Eridge Park Road, Bowral. Presenter: Fr Michael Fallon MSC Cost: \$550 RSVP: 10 Sept Cathy or Sr Jenny on (02) 48613223 or email hartzprk@bigpond.net.au

New Resource for Catholic Women and Parishes. The Genius Project: an amazing new four-part DVD resource for Catholic women. Based upon Pope John Paul II's teaching on the vocation and dignity of women. Use at home or form a small group in your parish. Find out more at www.beingcatholic.com.au/genius-project/

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 contact: **Rosemary 4423 3330**.

THE JOURNEY - CATHOLIC RADIO

'The Journey' is the Diocese's weekly Catholic Radio Program. It is about faith, hope, love and life and airs on Pulse 94.1 from 11am-12pm Sundays or Wednesdays 10-11pm or via live streaming or podcasts at any time, just go to radio.dow.org.au