



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.

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
12th October 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 7am, 11.30am. **Please note Sat 18th Mass- 10.30am**
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.

We prayerfully remember the recently deceased **Margaret Cousin, Donald Shaw and Barry Owen** ~Brisbane, (brother of Ray, brother-in-law of Brenda Owen), **Mary Soufflot, and Rozina Abela** (Malta) Also **Hendrikus Ruhl, Maxwell Dowd, Jack Fleming, Vera Guthrie, Eduardo Paliza, Joseph Azzopardi, Shirley Jones, Lallie Quade** ~Trundle, whose anniversaries occur at this time. *May they rest in eternal peace.*



Sunday October 19th – Mission Sunday.

All loose money in the 2nd Collection next week-end will go to the Missions. **“God who is rich in mercy, made us alive”.** (Ephesians 2.4-6)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Every Sunday 9.30am Mass at Nowra, for children aged 4 and up. New children always welcome to attend, to hear God's Word on their level and get to know other children of the parish.

MORNING TEA: After 9.30am Mass at Nowra. Gather at the Parish Centre, all parishioners welcome ~ come along even for a short time to help build community!

ST.MICHAEL'S Prayer & Playgroup: Mondays, commencing 13 Oct. Held in the school hall foyer from 9am. *All welcome.* Contact Frances 0413 539 370 or Sophie 0439 018 374.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION. The 2nd Parent Evening for parents whose children are preparing for their First Holy Communion, on Wednesday Oct 15th in the Parish Hall, Nowra. 7pm. The meeting which is an integral part of our Preparation Programme, includes parents whose children attend both Government and Parish Schools.
Berry; Tues 7 , 4-5 pm. Nowra; Wednesday, 4-5pm. Culburra; Thurs 4-5pm. Vincentia; Mon 13 Oct, 4-5pm.

CWL Nowra Monthly Meeting: Tues 14 Oct, 9.30am morning tea, followed by Meeting at 10am in Parish Centre. Contact Judy 4421 8565.

CWL Nowra: Wedding Anniversary Mass & Luncheon. Special anniversaries (25th; 40th; 50th; 60th) will be celebrated next **Sat 18 Oct** at St Michael's Nowra. Mass at 10.30^{am} followed by luncheon in the School Hall. Parishioners are most welcome at this special Mass.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick within Mass will be celebrated at St Patrick's Berry on Tuesday 21 Oct at 10.30am. Parishioners of all regions of the parish are most welcome. *Please bring a plate to share for lunch.*

Praying the Liturgy of the Hours: A workshop on The Liturgy of the Hours (aka The Prayer of the Church and the Divine Office) is being conducted by Michael Dyer at 58 Orama Crescent Orient Point (Culburra region) on Monday 20 October from 1.00-2.30pm followed by afternoon tea. To REGISTER for an event that will enable you to further discover the richness of our Church's liturgy and assist you to pray in a new and/or revitalised way, please contact the parish office or michael.dyer@dow.org.au

Praying our Sunday Scriptures by LECTIO DIVINA. NOWRA GROUP meet Thursdays 7-8pm, St. Michael's Parish Centre. **CULBURRA GROUP** meet Mondays 1-2pm. Please consider joining this weekly group. *All welcome.* Further info: Michael Dyer, michael.dyer@dow.org.au or parish office 4423 1712.

CCD SPRING CATECHIST RETREAT DAY Theme: the Joy of the Gospel. Illawarra-Shoalhaven Monday 20 Oct, St Mary's Star of the Sea, Gerringong 10am - 2pm. Register with Cindy Oliver on 4640 8550 or email cindy.oliver@woll.catholic.org.au

DATE CLAIMER: St Michael's Annual School Fair – Sunday, 9th November at St. Michael's Catholic Primary School, 28 North St Nowra, 10.30am-2.30pm.

Ebola Virus: Caritas Australia, along with three other Australian agencies (World Vision, Save the Children and Plan) has been allocated a total of \$2.5 million to provide assistance in the Ebola outbreak in West Africa. The money will enable the Caritas network in Sierra Leone to provide assistance to almost 230,000 people at risk of Ebola. This will include: the provision of medical supplies, essential public health support and the training of health workers in the West African nation. Caritas Australia is part of Caritas Internationalis, the second largest humanitarian network in the world, which has a mandate to work with the poorest of the poor.

R.C.I.A. news: For the past 5 months a number of people have been meeting weekly to discern their path towards Baptism or full reception into our Catholic Community. This weekend, at several Masses, we have the opportunity to support these people with our prayer as some of them take the next step on their faith journey. **Cindy Bell** (Berry) continues her journey as an Inquirer. **Sky Martin, Terry Hetherington** and **Sharon Molloy** will be accepted as Catechumens (i.e. preparing to be Baptised). **Fiona Jones, Karen Sewel** and **Angela Mouawad** will be welcomed as Candidates to reception or full initiation into the Catholic community. A year 2 student, **Jack Luke** will also be received into the Catholic faith and participate in the First Communion programme. Let us all seek out these people and make them feel welcome and assure them of our support by our prayers and the witness of our Gospel living. They are a great blessing to our community and remind us of the gift of our faith and the seriousness of our Baptismal calling.

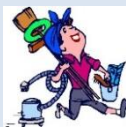
St Vincent de Paul Society: Due to lack of funds our State Council can no longer subsidise Wollongong Diocesan Council. This affects Shoalhaven in particular, This is why we have reintroduced poor boxes at our churches and are asking parishioners to consider making donations from time to time. Knowing your usual generosity, we are sure you will come to our aid. *Thank you in anticipation.*



Smart Loving Marriage Seminar - Because Every Marriage Matters. **Residential Retreat Nov 28-30** You want your marriage to be the best ... committed, intimate, joyful & passionate. Presented in a Catholic context, the seminar is a private experience open to married couples of any faith. Proven results, private & confidential, spiritually sound. Bookings Essential. Meals included. Save \$200 with the Australian Government Stronger Relationship Trial Subsidy. www.smartloving.org Ph: 02 9319 6280, info@marriageRC.org

Each Sunday on ABC (1) TV. there is along running half hour programme – **Songs of Praise (BBC)**. The quality of Hymn singing is generally excellent; a very uplifting programme for the sick or house-bound.

Artes Christi presents THE JEWELER'S SHOP: The first Feast Day of St John Paul II is 22 October and to celebrate don't miss, *The Jeweler's Shop*, a profoundly beautiful play on human love & marriage written by St John Paul before he was elected pope. As specifically indicated by St John Paul II, the play will be staged in the unique style of the Polish underground theatre with no sets or props & performed in a recitative style (reading only). SYDNEY: Sat 25 Oct, 7.30pm, Seymour Centre (Cleveland St Chippendale); PARRAMATTA: Sun 26 Oct, 3pm, Riverside Theatre (Church St, Parramatta). Tickets from \$20, bookings essential, Ph. [\(02\)93517940](tel:0293517940) (Sydney) or [\(02\)88393399](tel:0288393399) (Parramatta) or WWW.THEWORD.ORG.AU



HOUSE CLEANER: A Parishioner urgently looking for work, and within walking distance Nowra CBD. Please call **Philomena 0416 889 945**

Magnolia Cottage Adult Day Centre provides centre based respite for people living with memory loss, providing a break for their carer, or social interaction for those who are living alone. Groups operate 10_{am}-2_{pm} four days a week. Transport can be provided. Further info 4422 4161.

CatholicCARE – Poppy Playgroup for mothers with mental health issues and their children from 0-5 yrs. Play with your children while enjoying the company of other parents in a relaxed & supported environment. 68 Shoalhaven St Nowra. Six Fridays: 10, 24 Oct, 7, 21 Nov, 5 & 19 Dec. 10am-12.30pm. No Fee.

CatholicCARE – Keeping Kids in Mind A post-separation parenting workshop. Learn how to deal more effectively with the emotional and practical issues of parenting after separation. Five Thursdays, 23, 30 Oct, 6, 13, 20 Nov 10am-12.30pm, 55 Worrige St, Nowra.

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**.

NOWRA FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICE invites you to the Annual General Meeting, Wed 22 Oct, 10.30am at Cottage 1/80 Park Rd, East Nowra. For catering pls RSVP by Wed 15 Oct on 4421 5499 or nowrafs@shoalhaven.net.au

CatholicCare: Community Visitors Scheme. Do you want to help people by listening to someone with patience & understanding? CatholicCare is in urgent need of you to visit at a local aged care home. The scheme is a program for residents in aged care who experience loneliness and social isolation. You would be matched with a resident to provide regular companionship of one hour per week or fortnight for a chat, read, play cards, or walk. Contact Nicolle 0418 483 413 for more info.