



**St Michael's Parish**, Nowra – Tel: 4423 1712 E-mail: [office@nowraparish.org.au](mailto:office@nowraparish.org.au)

**Website: [nowraparish.org.au](http://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.

**Dedication of the Lateran Basilica – 9<sup>th</sup> Nov. 14**  
**(The Pope's Cathedral as Bishop of Rome.)**

**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. Sat. 9.00.a.m.  
 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 ; **Leila Schipp, Clarence Edwards (Culburra), Charles Edmund Saunders, Bruce Wilkinson** (Tumut- Tony's brother), who died this past week. Also **Terry Loadman, Frank Court, and Do Tuyet Mai** whose anniversaries occur at this time. *May they rest in eternal peace.*



**Prayer and Reflection evening Wednesday, 12th November at 7.00pm**, St Michael's Church, for parents whose children are preparing for First Holy Communion.

**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.

**ST. MICHAEL'S Cuppa & Play:** held in the school hall foyer every Monday from 9am. *All welcome.* Any donations of toys would be greatly appreciated. Contact Frances 0413 539 370 or Sophie 0439 018 374.

**Do you consider yourself "new" to the Parish? Please introduce yourselves to us!** Blue cards are now available at the doors of each Church, for any new parishioners to fill in your details. These cards also provide the option of requesting a visit from members of the Parish. We hope you quickly feel at home here!

**INVITATION** to celebrate an **Inclusion Mass** this **Sunday 9th November in St Michael's Parish Hall, at 6.00pm. Light supper served afterwards.** Families in the Shoalhaven with members who have additional needs together with relatives, parishioners and interested individuals are invited to attend the Mass. Many people will have special roles in the Liturgy as a way of making the celebration as inclusive as possible.

We would appreciate some help at approx. 3.00pm in preparing the Hall for the Mass, which will be following the School Fete.

**St Michael's Annual School Fair – this Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> November** at St. Michael's Catholic Primary School, **10.30am - 2.30pm**, (after 9.30am Mass). Stalls include: Face painting, cakes & gourmet treats, Games, Book & Basket stalls, Grade Hamper raffles, Giant Raffle. *All welcome.*

**CWL Nowra ~ Monthly Meeting: Tues 11 Nov, 9.30am** morning tea, followed by Meeting at 10am in Parish Centre. Contact Judy 4421 8565.

**Accommodation needed** ~16 year old from St John The Evangelist High School Nowra looking for share accommodation in Nowra. Able to look after herself and pay rent. Please contact Fr Duane for more details, on 4423 1712 or [duane@nowraparish.org.au](mailto:duane@nowraparish.org.au)

**Is There Something More to Life?** An invitation to young women discerning their future direction in life. You are invited to a weekend with the Good Samaritan Sisters at Mt St Benedict, Pennant Hills. Experience our *Good Sam* story; share conversation & meals; explore the *more* of life. **Fri 28 Nov 6.00pm to Sun 30 Nov 5.00pm.** See green flyer on notice board. Information: Bernadette: [bcoboy@goodsams.org.au](mailto:bcoboy@goodsams.org.au) OR Catherine 0409 043 422.

**An Open Day** will be held at the Jim Da Silva Farm on **Saturday, 15 Nov, 10am.** Hosted by *Helping Hands Schizophrenia Fellowship.* Entry; gold coin donation. Morning tea and sausage sizzle, plants & woodwork items for sale. Drive up Yalwal Rd and just after Garbage Tip Rd, turn right into Bamarang Rd and follow signs to Farm. *All welcome ~ let's show our support for the Farm*

**Basilica of St. John Lateran - Why this Feastday?**

The Basilica of St. John Lateran has an impressive history. In ancient Roman times, this site was a mansion belonging to the Laterani family. This is the reason why the word "Lateran" can be found in the name of the cathedral.



**The first basilica:** The history of the cathedral itself starts some hundred years later when the first Christian emperor, Constantine, acquired the old palace through marriage. The emperor chose to give the Lateran palace to the Church as a gift. Following that, the small palace basilica was converted and enlarged and became the official residence of the Pope. The Basilica and the adjacent Lateran Palace was officially dedicated by Pope Sylvester in year 324 in which he declared it to be "Domus Dei" – "The house of God". In its interior, the Papal Throne was placed which marked it as the **Cathedral of Rome.** It is dedicated to St John the Baptist. The Basilica is **the mother Church of Christendom.** Four general Councils of the Church were held within its walls, and for a thousand years it was the seat of Church government. Twenty-eight popes are buried there. It has been attacked, vandalised and rebuilt. The story of the Basilica is regarded as a parable on the history of the church itself.(P.J.F.)

**Holy Spirit Vincentia: Community Barbecue on Sunday, 16th November.** Sausages/frankfurters, bread, tea and coffee supplied. **BYO drinks and salad** to share. Held at Michael King's house 115 Naval Pde, Erowal Bay (4443 7732). If wet, at the church hall.

**Taize Prayer evening: St. Patrick's Church Berry on Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 7:30pm.**



Supper following prayer. "Taize is an ecumenical sung and silent participatory prayer service designed to achieve a contemplative state through music, song and silence."

**End of Year Catechists' Mass** with Morning Tea: Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> December, 9.30am.



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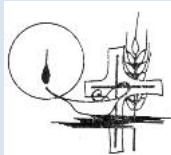
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**Catechist needed** as soon as possible for Cambewarra Primary School on Wednesday afternoons. Please phone Anne – 0432 557 681 or Parish Office 4423 1712.

**The annual commemoration of the Faithful Departed**

will be held at the Chapel Worrigea on Saturday **November 8th**, commencing at 10.00am. All are most welcome. Conducted by St Michael's Parish.



**Berry Hospital, 'Karinya' ~ Christmas Carols.** Would you like to join in the singing of carols for patients? Tues, 23 Dec, 10am. Pls call Eric Bate 0434 848 945.

**CatholicCare: Community Visitors Scheme.** Can you listen with patience & understanding? CatholicCare is in urgent need of you to visit at a local aged care home. This 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.

**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](http://www.smartloving.org) Ph: 02 9319 6280, [info@marriageRC.org](mailto:info@marriageRC.org)

**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<sub>am</sub>-2<sub>pm</sub> four days a week. Transport can be provided. Further info 4422 4161.

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.

**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 Worrigea St, Nowra.

**DIOCESE OF WOLLONGONG - THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC/CHRISTIAN RADIO PROGRAM**

This week on "The Journey" which airs on 26 October, we will be kicking off the show with a reflection by Fr Richard Healey on the Scripture Reading from Matthew Chapter 22 and we hear from Trish McCarthy in her segment Milk & Honey with the theme "Flowers or weeds"! Fr Dave Callaghan challenges us with a reflection on "thinking of Jesus and praying always". Tune into PULSE 94.1 FM on Sun at 11am, repeated Wed 10pm or listen in via podcast anytime at [www.radio.dow.org.au](http://www.radio.dow.org.au)