



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

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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT -Yr B 15<sup>th</sup> March 2015

### 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 and 11.30am, Sat. 9.00am.  
**Berry:** Tues. 5.30pm.  
**Culburra:** Thursday 5.30pm.  
**Vincentia:** Mon/Thurs/Fri 8.00am, Tues/Wed  
 5.30pm  
**Kangaroo Valley:** Mon/Tues/Thurs 9am, Wed  
 7am.  
**Shoalhaven Heads:** Community Hall, Fri 3.30pm  
**Confession / Reconciliation**  
**Nowra:** Sat 9.30am–10.30am and 5.00-5.30pm  
**Culburra:** Sat 5.30pm  
**Vincentia:** Sat 5.00–5.30pm

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

We prayerfully remember, **Patricia Lucas** (Vincentia), and **Patricia Kennelly**, who died this week. Also **Peter & Jackie Fossey**, **Alexandra Garnuszek** and all whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in eternal peace.



### STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

**NOWRA:** Fridays 7.00pm.  
**CULBURRA:** Wed. 6.00 pm.  
**VINCENTIA:** Fridays of Lent, after  
 the 8.00.am. Mass

**The Second Rite of Reconciliation at St Michael's– Thursday March 26<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm.**

**CHOIR Practice in preparation for Holy Week and Easter ceremonies** will be 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> March *All most welcome.*

**St. Michael's Cuppa & Play:** school hall foyer every Monday 9am-10.30am. Parents please bring a snack for your child, if required. Tea/coffee/biscuits available for parents. Gold coin donation appreciated. *All welcome.* Contact: Tracey 0412 462 140.

### Parent Sacramental Meetings:



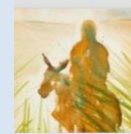
*(These Meetings apply to parents of children at the Catholic and Government Schools)*

**Reconciliation:** (Government Schools-Children Year 3 and upward) Wed, March 18<sup>th</sup>. St Michael's Hall – 7.00pm (Parents only).

**First Holy Communion:** Wed, March 25<sup>th</sup> at St Michael's Hall, 7.00pm (Parents only).

**The Bay and Basin region will make local arrangements, which will be communicated to the families.**

**"ARISE" ~ LENT 2015 ~** Our Parish Paschal Meal is on Palm Sunday, 29 March, 7pm for 7.30pm. We are in need of helpers to set up the hall after the 9.30 Mass (from 10.30 – 1pm). For table numbers please phone Bernie (see below) by Mon. 23 March. Everyone welcome. Enquire: Francene 4421 5962, Tina 4422 9250, Bernie 4421 2968.



**KINDERGARTEN Enrolments 2016 ~ St. Michael's Primary School.** Enrolment packages available from school office. Phone 44213630, Ms Sue Easter. Enrolment interviews with School Principal, Mr Chris Paton & Parish Priest Fr Pat Faherty held 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

**SVdP Society Annual Charity Dinner.** Fri 1st May Each year we listen to comments and try to improve. This year should, with assistance from parishioners and the general public, be the best. Come along and enjoy a real fun evening, includes 3 course meal, entertainment, raffles, auctions, etc. Tickets only \$60. Get 8 or 10 people together for a table. All proceeds to go to our local homeless services. Blue coloured invites available in all churches. If more required, contact Ivor 44210929.

### Lay Missionaries of Charity ~ Soup Kitchen

Thankyou to all those who have so generously committed to helping. Our initial meeting together is on Fri 27 March, 9.30am. Please try to be there. Starting at the Church, and then heading to showground. Call Sue 44473197 or Shannon 0414521404 for more info. *See you there.*



### ST PATRICK'S DAY ~ Tues 17 March

Mass will be celebrated at St Patrick's Berry at 6.30pm, followed by refreshments and fun in the hall. Please bring a plate to share with a POTATO theme ....remember your gold coins for "Whisky Toss". ALL most welcome.

**CATECHISTS:** Level1 course **continues Tues 17 March**, 9:30am-1:30pm **in St Michael's Parish Centre.** This essential course is for all new Catechists & Catechists wanting to refresh their knowledge in key areas. Topics are: *Teaching Authority of the Church, Development of the Child and Adolescent & Children with Special Needs.* Please BYO lunch, morning tea provided. Further 3 sessions, March 24, 31 & April 21. **Liaison Catechists:** Please pass on class numbers of your schools to Frances. Thanks to all!

**Spiritual Reading Circle:** Next meeting, **24 March, 9.30–11.30am. 4/40 Lyndhurst Dr, Bomaderry.** Reading Circle topics which will be discussed, include: the Christian response to international terror/freedom of speech; the approach taken by the Catholic Church and other faith traditions to work together on behalf of natural disaster victims and social injustices; the need for local parishes to be missionaries to an unchurched culture. More information/registration/reading material contact parish office or [michael.dyer@dow.org.au](mailto:michael.dyer@dow.org.au)

**The Culburra Family Group's** next function will be a picnic lunch to share at 'Bosom' Beach at Currarong this Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>, at 12 noon - the tables in the first parking lot, near the shower and toilets. The backup, in case of bad weather, is Noel Reid's home. All welcome.

**Mass For The Unborn ~** As part of the forty days for life, a Mass will be celebrated for the unborn on **Wed 18 March, 8am at Ss Peter and Paul Church Kiama.** During this Mass we will pray for all expectant mothers, that all babies in their mother's womb be loved and cared for, and that medical personnel will always work to preserve life.

**The Fleet Air Arm Museum visit this Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup> – Meeting at Albatross - 11.30am.**



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**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT -Yr B**  
**15<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

**YOU ARE INVITED TO "A DAY OF PILGRIMAGE"**

12<sup>th</sup> April at **Benedictine Abbey Jamberoo**. There are sites all over the world to which seekers of God go "on pilgrimage", and in so doing come to know more deeply the landscape of their own present journey. You are invited to come to the Abbey for such a pilgrimage day. Share Eucharist at 9am, walk within our grounds, stop and reflect, listen to some input, be silent, walk again, sing with the Community at prayer and meet the God who will likewise be on Pilgrimage with you. BYO lunch, a journal/paper to write on, some drawing things if you like, a cushion if you feel the need, all else is here. For details and booking please contact Petrina 42 36 0533. And visit our website [www.jamberoo.org.au](http://www.jamberoo.org.au)

**SAVE THE DATE: St. John the Evangelist Catholic High School 25th Anniversary Celebrations**, Sat 23 May, 4pm Open School, 6.00pm The Jubilee Mass in School Hall, 7.30pm An Evening of Celebration in E Block. 1990-2015 Celebrating 25 years of quality Catholic Education in the Shoalhaven.

**HARTZER PARK: Six Day Guided Retreat 11 – 17 April.** Presenter: Fr Chris Chaplin MSC

Theme: "Dwelling in the space between Heaven and Earth: From Meditation to Contemplation"  
Venue: Hartzler Park, 25 Eridge Park Rd, Bowral.  
Cost: \$550. RSVP: 6 Apr, Cathy or Sr Jenny on 02 48613223 or email [hartzprk@bigpond.net.au](mailto:hartzprk@bigpond.net.au)

**CatholicCare: Poppy Playgroup** ~ For mothers with mental health issues, and their children age 0-5 yrs. At *Poppy* you can play with your children, enjoy the company of other parents & explore different parenting issues in a relaxed & supported environment. Five Friday mornings 10am-12.30pm. 30 Jan; 13, 27 Feb; 13 & 27 March at CatholicCare, 68 Shoalhaven St, Nowra. Cost: No Fee. Bookings: 4421 8248

**CatholicCare: Rollercoasters 8-12 yrs.** An 8 week program developed to assist children who are experiencing parental separation, divorce, or parents who have re-partnered. *Rollercoaster* helps children to understand change and loss; develop strategies for anger management & problem solving. Eight Thursday afternoons 4pm-5pm. 12, 19, 26 Feb, and 5, 12, 19, 26 March, and 2 April. CatholicCare, 68 Shoalhaven St, Nowra. Cost: \$15 per session, per family.

**CatholicCare: 123 Magic & Emotion Coaching** ~ This time tested workshop provides easy to follow steps for disciplining children aged 2-12 years without yelling, arguing or hitting. Three Tuesday mornings 11.30am-1.30pm. 17, 24 & 31 March. Sanctuary Point Connect, Sanctuary Point Primary School, Idlewild Ave, Sanctuary Point. Fee: \$15 per session. Bookings: 4421 8248

**St. Vincent de Paul ~ Piety Stall** (Berry St, Nowra) is well worth a look for your religious gifts. Items can also be ordered from the catalogue in store. Ph: 4421 7244.