



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.

Pentecost Sunday - Yr B Sunday 24th May 2015

Pentecost Sunday (Whit Sunday)



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:** Thurs 5.30pm

Vincentia: Mon/Thurs/Fri 8.00am; Tues/Wed 5.30pm

S'haven Heads: Fri 3.30pm

Confession/Reconciliation

Nowra: Sat 9.30–10.30am & 5.00–5.30pm

Culburra Sat 5.30pm

Vincentia: Sat 5.00–5.30pm

Monday 25th - Our Lady Help of Christians.

We prayerfully remember the recently deceased: **Ruth Phillips**, (Requiem Mass for Ruth at Bomaderry Monday at 10.a.m.) and **Joan McKinnon**. Also **Juana Petilla**, and **Anka Vahovec** and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. *May they rest in peace*



Confirmation: Lessons will continue for Public School Children on Wednesdays, 4-5pm in St Michael's Hall, Nowra; and at Vincentia on Mondays 4 -5pm

Sacrament of Confirmation:

Reflection Evening - ALL CANDIDATES

(Parents, Candidates & Sponsors where possible).

Wed 10th June – 7.00pm St Michael's Church

Mass Practice -Thursday June 18th – 5.30pm. and 6.30pm St Michael's Hall.

Confirmation on Sunday June 21st at St. Michael's -

Two sessions: 9.30am and 1.30pm.

Thank you to Les Ambrus for once again leading the Taize Evening with such thoroughness and zeal as prayerful and reflective preparation for the great Feast of Pentecost.



YOU ARE INVITED to ~ An Awareness Mass, next Sunday 31 May, 6:00pm at St Michael's Parish Hall, 20 North Street, Nowra. Families in the Shoalhaven area with members who have additional needs will have special roles as a way of highlighting their skills and joy in this celebration. Refreshments served afterwards. *All parishioners welcome.*

Wanted: Nowra St Vincent de Paul Society is looking for volunteers in the role of receptionist at our Centre in Berry Street. Once a week or fortnight, between 10 am and midday. You take some information of persons seeking assistance, both face to face and by telephone. For further information, please contact Janine 4423 1051.

Morning Tea for Catechists: Being a Catechist is as rewarding as it is challenging. Let's come together to share experiences, support one another and celebrate what it is to be a Catechist! Please join us on **Tuesday 2nd June at 10:30am** in the Parish Centre for morning tea and wonderful company..... (Frances)!

NOWRA YOUTH EVENT – 14-18 YEAR OLDS – SUNDAY 7 JUNE. Youth Mission Team (YMT) is a group of 6 dynamic young people (late teens, early 20s), and they are coming to Nowra to lead an exciting youth event. Starting at 4pm at St Michael's Hall, with talks from YMT, discussions, music, table tennis and other games, leading in to 6pm Youth Mass, followed by supper until about 8pm (including pizza!). Come along to all or part of the event, RSVP to Fr Duane duane@nowraparish.org.au

Children's Liturgy: during every 9.30am Mass at Nowra, for children aged 4 & up. New children always welcome to attend, to hear God's Word on their level and get to know other children of the parish. The 9.30.am. Mass is followed by **Morning Tea**

SVdP ~ Piety Stall (Berry St Nowra) is well worth a look for your religious gifts. Items can also be ordered from the catalogue in store. Also available to order, handmade First Holy Communion veils. Ph: 4421 7244



1990 -2015- 25th Anniversary.

PAX CHRISTI

Congratulations and our prayerful best wishes to St John the Evangelist Catholic High School Community on this significant milestone. Already past pupils of St John's both here in Australia and in a number of instances overseas, are making valued contributions professionally and through trades and skills to the communities in which they live and work.

Holy Spirit Vincentia ~ Morning Tea on Pentecost



Sunday, 24 May. Today we will farewell Michael King who will leave our community at the end of the month. Please bring a plate to share. Call Sharon 0431 457 441 or Judy 4441 7456 for further details.

We take this opportunity to bid Michael a very fond farewell as he returns for family reasons to the Central Coast. Michael has contributed much to the parish and in particular to the Vincentia Community over the past 10 years: as an Acolyte, a Catechist, the Auxiliary as Chairman, and our IT needs. Thank you Michael, and our best wishes go with you...

Mary Help of Christians- Culburra; A

Social Evening in conjunction with the Patronal Feast, will be held at the Culburra Bowling Club, **Saturday evening May 30th**, following the Vigil Mass. Cost \$20; children can order and pay on the evening. Please contact Barbara Power or Jeanette Easton. Bookings with payment by May 23rd.



Michael Dyer has been on pastoral placement at St Michael's for almost a year. Michael has generously and zealously participated in a wide variety of ministries within the Parish. Now that he is approaching his Diaconate ordination on Saturday June 13th let us bring Michael, his future ministry and aspirations to the Lord in our regular prayer.



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INSTITUTION OF ACOLYTES DEFERRED

Please note that the Institution of Acolytes planned for April are deferred pending an update to ministry authorisation processes to incorporate Working With Children Checks. A further announcement will be made within the next two weeks outlining the new schedule of dates and the revised authorisation process. For further information, contact Paul Mason liturgy@dow.org.au or 4222 2462.

UNDERSTANDING & SUPPORTING THE JOURNEY OF AGEING: Wed 27 May 9am–3:30pm

Xavier Ctre, 38 Harbour St W'gong. Would you like to understand the journey into old age, learn how to maintain a holistic well-being during this journey, addressing the physical, social, psychological, emotional and spiritual needs; Wanting to pastorally support others as they advance into old age. This workshop will explore the ageing process. Facilitated by Carmen Karauda, Diocesan Aged Care Advocate. **Cost: \$10** Morning Tea & Lunch provided. **Registration Essential by Wed 22 May to Helen Bennett 4222 2403 / helen.bennett@dow.org.au**

Pastoral Care volunteers from the Bay & Basin area are keen to visit the elderly and house-bound. If anyone needs visiting please contact Ron 4441 5723. If you would like to join us in this activity give us a call.

THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM This week on "The Journey" Sr Hilda reassures us that even though we might not feel God in our lives at times, he is always there; Sam Clear challenges us to be more like Simon of Cyrene by carrying the cross for those we love and Bruce Downes talks to us about "Falling out of Love". There's some fantastic music on this week's show too, so tune into PULSE 94.1 FM on Sun at 11am or go to www.radio.dow.org.au where you can listen in and subscribe to weekly shows.

WORLD YOUTH DAY

In **July 2016** World Youth Day is being hosted in **Krakow, Poland**. The Diocese is preparing to launch its own World Youth Day pilgrimage for those aged 18 and above. This event is an opportunity to personally experience the universality of the Church; to share with the whole world the hope of many young people who want to commit themselves to Christ and others. More information regarding the launch and diocesan pilgrimage will be available soon – watch this space! Contact: Seth Harsh 02 4222 2460 or email: seth.harsh@dow.org.au

MINISTRY FORMATION COURSE – MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND DYING ** NOTE DATE CHANGE **

This course provides general formation for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who minister to the Sick and Dying. The course comprises two sessions and covers the following topics: (a) The experience of sickness and dying in the context of the paschal mystery; (b) pastoral care in the context of the ministry of Jesus; (c) The ministry of the whole Church in the care of the sick; (d) overview of the various rites contained in the Pastoral Care of the Sick; (e) pastoral issues around the experience of sickness and dying; (f) celebration of the rites for the sick; (g) celebration of the rites for the dying; (h) practical and pastoral skills required for this ministry.

The course is held at the Xavier Conference Centre, 38 Harbour St, W'gong, **Sat 27 June, 10:00am–1:00pm**. Morning Tea provided. Further info www.liturgy.dow.org.au, or contact Paul Mason liturgy@dow.org.au or 4222 2462. Cost \$10. For enrolment registration contact Helen Bennett helen.bennett@dow.org.au or 4222 2403 or rsvp@dow.org.au