



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

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## Fifteenth Sunday Ordinary Time - Yr B Sunday 12th July 2015

### Sunday Masses:

**Nowra:** Vigil 6pm, 8.009.30am & 6.00pm

**Berry:** 8.00am

**Bomaderry:** 9.30am

**Culburra:** Vigil 6.00pm,

**Vincentia:** Vigil 6pm, & 9.30am

**Kangaroo Valley:** 11.00am.

### Masses during the week.

**Nowra:** Mon: 7.00 a.m.; Tues/Wed/Thurs 8.15am

Fri 7.00am and 11.30am. Sat . 9.00.am

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

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

Shoalhaven Heads: Friday 3.30.p.m.

### Confession/Reconciliation

**Nowra:** Sat 9.30–10.30am & 5.00–5.30pm

**Culburra:** Sat 5.30pm

**Vincentia:** Sat 5.00–5.30pm

We prayerfully remember those who died over the past week; **Colleen Timbs** (Berry), **Joanne Fuz**, and **Cecil Stewart**. Also, **Mary Rouen**, **Robert Wilson Henderson**, **Val Warburton**, **Elsie Weston**, **Moya McCabe**, **Doreen Wallace**, **Florencio Quiazon**, **Pat Seyffer**, whose anniversaries occur at this time. *May they rest in peace.*



**Feastdays: Wed 15<sup>th</sup> – St Bonaventure**  
**Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> – Our Lady of Mount Carmel**

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** Recommencing next Sunday - during every 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

**PLANNED GIVING:** Please collect your new Planned Giving Envelopes which are still available at the Churches.

As mentioned last week due to age and illness our Flower preparation roster at St Michael's has become depleted. We are looking for parishioners to fill this gap - **you DON'T need to be a florist** - just someone who loves flowers and can spare one Friday a month arranging them. Please contact me on 0407013551 to find out more. **Robbie Forsythe**



### WORLD YOUTH DAY ~ OFFICIAL DIOCESAN LAUNCH WILL BE ON 31 JULY 2015 at 6.30pm, at the Xavier Centre in Wollongong.

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. More info regarding the launch and diocesan pilgrimage available soon. Contact: Seth Harsh 4222 2460 / email: [seth.harsh@dow.org.au](mailto:seth.harsh@dow.org.au)



### CatholicCare ~ Have you ever considered becoming a Foster Carer?

Attend a foster care Information Session and hear about fostering from local foster care agencies. You will learn about: steps to become a foster carer; support available to foster carers; roles and responsibilities of foster carers; the need for all types of carers, especially Immediate & Short Term carers. **Thursday 16 July, 6.30pm - 8.00pm. Venue: Nowra School of Arts, Berry St, Nowra.** To register your attendance contact: **Iman on 0409 640380** Or just attend on the night!

**Did you know?** Being a Catechist is not about being the best speaker or the greatest teacher. It's about being yourself and sharing the message of the Gospel. Never forget that YOU are the Good News! You can make a difference. For more information on being a Catechist contact Frances 4423 1712.

**CWL Nowra Branch ~ Monthly meeting, Tues 14 July, 9.30am** morning tea, followed by meeting at 10am in Parish Centre. Contact Judy 4421 8565.

**One-day Retreat ~ Saturday 8 August** at St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church Hall, Warrawong, from 10am to 4pm. Retreat conducted by Fr Michael Payyapilly VC, Director, (Diocese of Broken Bay). All are welcome. Contact Clary Antao 0434099088 or email: [clary.antao@gmail.com](mailto:clary.antao@gmail.com) for further details. (Admission free; BYO Lunch, refreshments provided).

### Have you thought about becoming a Catholic?

A number of adults in our parish are beginning the journey towards Baptism or full membership of the Catholic faith. Have you sometimes thought about making that journey too and wondered what it would entail? OR Do you know someone who might be interested? **Perhaps you just have some questions you would like answered about the Catholic Faith?** Come along to an Inquiry session ... no commitment needed to attend. **Monday, 3 August 9.30 am OR Tuesday, 4 August at St. Michael's Parish Centre, 7.30pm.** For more information ring: 4423 1712 or speak to Fr Duane, Fr Pat or Sr Sue

### AN EVENING OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION CELEBRATING THE EREMETIC/HERMIT VOCATION, Wednesday 22 July, 6.00pm – 7.30pm, St Paul's Church Albion Park.



This will include Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 6pm. Evening Prayer, A reflection about the Hermit Rule and will end with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Supper will be offered afterwards. Further info Contact Sr Carmel Dresser, Diocesan Hermit, through St Paul's Parish Office, 4256 2038.

### WHAT IS HAPPENING TO OUR COMMON HOME?

'Our Sister Cries out to us: *'What is happening to our*



*Common Home'* Laudato Si by Pope Francis. In chapter 1 Pope Francis asks us to listen closely to the world around us to become deeply aware, to dare to reflect on what is

happening to creation, to our common home in order that we can take meaningful action from the heart. **Two parish events** to acquaint parishioners with the beauty and the potential of this ground breaking encyclical; (i) **Parish Reading Circle: Wed 15 July: 9.00–11.00am.** St Michael's Parish Centre. (ii) **An Interactive Workshop & Creation Prayer Hour:** by Deacon Michael and Sr Sue at St Patrick's Berry, **Sat 25 July: 10.30-2.30pm.** Morning tea provided. BYO lunch. More info & to register please contact [michael.dyer@dow.org.au](mailto:michael.dyer@dow.org.au) or Parish office: 4423 1712.



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**ADVANCE NOTICE – NEXT INSTITUTION OF ACOLYTES – Saturday 29 August.** The Institution of acolytes trained in February had been postponed from April. The new date is now set. The specific time and place will be advised shortly. Candidates and Parish Priests will be notified in the coming week of necessary preparations. If you need to update your Working With Children Check, visit [www.liturgy.dow.org.au](http://www.liturgy.dow.org.au), click on the “Working With Children Check” icon in the header of the home page and follow the prompts. Further info contact Paul Mason [liturgy@dow.org.au](mailto:liturgy@dow.org.au) or 4222 2462.

**2015 SIGNIFICANT MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES MASS** ~ If you are celebrating **25, 40, 50 or 60 years** of marriage this year and would like an invitation to the Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Peter Ingham on **Sunday, 20 September 2015 at 2.00pm**, please contact **Helen Bennett 4222 2403** or email [helen.bennett@dow.org.au](mailto:helen.bennett@dow.org.au) by **Monday 3 Aug** and an invitation will be sent to you.

St Michael's Church Nowra has been blessed over many years with a dedicated group of ladies decorating our Church weekly with fresh flowers, a practice not so evident in many parishes throughout Australia it seems to me. We are also very fortunate that our Parish Priest recognising the importance of this practice, allows the ladies to purchase the flowers from a local Florist (at a discounted price). Unfortunately Joan Dempsey and Joan Watts are no longer able to continue with their wonderful work spanning decades. Consequently we are looking for parishioners to fill this gap - **you DON'T need to be a florist** - just someone who loves flowers and can spare one Friday a month arranging them. Please contact me on 0407013551 to find out more. **Robbie Forsythe**

### THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM

This week on *The Journey*, Sam Clear shares some of his story whilst walking the famous Camino pilgrimage route in Santiago, and Fr Dave Callaghan reminds us that Sin is a symptom of the disease of our hearts which only Jesus can heal. We also hear from

Sr Hilda Scott OSB, Trish McCarthy and Bruce Downes “The Catholic Guy”. Tune into PULSE 94.1 FM Sun 11am or go to [www.jcr.org.au](http://www.jcr.org.au) or [www.itunes.jcr.org.au](http://www.itunes.jcr.org.au) to subscribe where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

**CERTIFICATE IN PASTORAL LITURGY – NOW OPEN FOR NEW ENROLMENTS.** We seek expressions of interest for new enrolments in the Certificate in Pastoral Liturgy. Prospective students can enrol for Semester 2 unit “Word in the Liturgical Assembly” commencing in July 2015, continue with “Eucharist in the Liturgical Assembly” in Semester 1 2016, the either “Initiation in the Liturgical Assembly” or “Music in the Liturgical Assembly” in Semester 2 2016 and conclude the four unit series with “Building the Liturgical Assembly” in Semester 1 2017.

This course provides practical knowledge, skills and approaches, in liturgy for people who take active roles in preparing, coordinating and leading liturgy and liturgical music in parish and school. This course is modelled on the Certificate of Pastoral Liturgy previously offered through the Catholic Institute of Sydney. The Diocese offers scholarships for study, as explained on the enrolment form. Expressions of interest in enrolling are invited by contacting Paul Mason, on 4222 2462 or [liturgy@dow.org.au](mailto:liturgy@dow.org.au)

### AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL

From **3-5 December 2015** the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference is hosting the **Australian Catholic Youth Festival in Adelaide**. This event is for those from Year 9 through to 25 years of age, and is an excellent opportunity for young people to deepen their relationship with Jesus, be empowered to be disciples in the world today and encounter and celebrate the vitality of the Church in Australia. For more information, please contact Seth Harsh at the Youth Office on 02 4222 2460 or email: [seth.harsh@dow.org.au](mailto:seth.harsh@dow.org.au)

### DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY – DATE CLAIMER

Our next diocesan assembly will be held on the morning of Saturday 5 September. Please reserve a spot in your calendar. More details available soon.

**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

**First Reconciliation Change of Date:** The 2nd information evening for Parents is now transferred to **Wed 12 August, 7pm in St Michael's Hall Nowra**. Classes for children attending State schools have not changed and will commence 4-5pm in: Berry on Tues, 28 July; Nowra on Wed, 29 July, and Culburra on Thurs, 30 July