



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

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## Sixteenth Sunday Ordinary Time - Yr B Sunday 19th July 2015

### Sunday Masses:

**Nowra:** Vigil 6pm, 8.00 am, 9.30am & 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; **Joan Dempsey, Elsie Kennedy, Colleen Timbs (Berry), Joanne Fuz, and Cecil Stewart.** Also, **Garry Rhodes, Peter Cahill, Nicholas Smith, Ellie Schutz, John Ryan, and William Horwood,** whose anniversaries occur at this time. *May they rest in peace.*



**Feastdays: Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> St Mary Magdalene**

**Sat 25<sup>th</sup>: St James – Apostle.**

**Thank you Luncheon** ~ Disability Awareness Mass. Luncheon for volunteers & families who were part of the Disability Awareness Mass in May, will take place in the Parish Centre on Wed 22 July, 12pm – 1.30pm.

**Thank you** to the two people who have volunteered to help with our flower preparation at St Michael's. We are still looking for one more parishioner to assist. Can you spare some time one Friday a month? Contact Robbie 0407013551. We have been deeply saddened by Joan Dempsey's death; Joan was a member of the roster for 60 years. Our intention to formally thank her for her many years of faithful service did not eventuate.!

**Bomaderry Grass Cutting Roster:** Thanks to the two parishioners that came forward after the appeal last Sunday. We still need two more helpers – teams of two, twice per year. Contact **Ivor 4421 0929.**

### New Diocesan Pastoral Plan (DPP) for 2015-2017:

Bishop Peter invites interested parishioners to come to a regional gathering **THIS TUESDAY, 21 July, 7.30pm-9.00pm, Albion Park Hall, Tongarra Road.** Come and represent Nowra Parish, and learn how the DPP can help us in our local context. RSVP is essential to the Parish office (4423 1712) by 20<sup>th</sup> July.

**CATECHIST NEWS:** If you would like to do a lesson for Grandparents Day, lesson plans are available in the Parish Centre, or call Frances 4423 1712.

**Pray for us: Prayer Cards** available to all parishioners in the Parish Centre for your intentions for our special catechists and the lovely work they do.

### Have you thought about becoming a Catholic?

**Or:** do you know someone who might be interested? Come along to an Inquiry Session...no commitment needed, to attend. **Monday morning 3 Aug, 9.30am, or Tuesday 4 Aug, 7.30pm, St Michael's Parish Centre.** Further info 4423 1712 or speak to Fr Duane, Fr Pat or Sr Sue.

### Trivia Fundraiser ~ For Lachlan's Family and the Cure Brain Cancer Foundation.

Lachlan is in year 2 at St Michael's, seriously ill with brain cancer. Sat 8 Aug, at St. Michael's Hall, 5.30pm for a 6.30pm trivia start. \$30 per ticket, supper included, BYO drinks. Ages 16 & over. Contact Fr Duane (44231712) to join a parish table, or buy tickets directly from Nowra Radiology, 73 North St, Nowra (cash only), 44230888.

**Soup Kitchen update:** We have been very blessed with much support, generosity and donations. Last week we served 40 people! It's obvious God's hand is on it. Thankyou to all of you who have helped us in any way - it's much appreciated. Please keep us & those we serve in your prayers. *Shannon Chittick.*

**Holy Spirit Vincentia Spring Fair meeting, Sunday, 26 July after the 9.30am Mass. All welcome.**

**Culburra Beach Family group** will be a 'variety scones' morning tea at Marg & Paul Casey's home at Callala Bay, Sunday 26 July, 10.45am. 4446 4117.

### An Interactive Workshop & time for reflection & Prayer on Pope Francis' latest encyclical: *Laudate Si*.

Be inspired & challenged by his call to an "ecological conversion." **Sat 25 July, St Patrick's meeting room, Berry, 10.30-3.00pm.** Morning tea provided. BYO lunch. Facilitators:



Deacon Michael and Sr. Sue. Information / registration: [michael.dyer@dow.org.au](mailto:michael.dyer@dow.org.au) or parish office: 4423 1712.

**Spiritual Reading Circle: *Laudato Si'*** Papal Encyclical on the Environment. **Wed 22 July 9.00 – 11.00am, St Michael's Parish Centre.** Reading material available at Parish Office. For more info/registration: [michael.dyer@dow.org.au](mailto:michael.dyer@dow.org.au) 44231712.

**Deacon Michael Dyer** has been appointed to the Cathedral Parish, commencing in early August. Michael has been a most zealous, compassionate and engaged pastoral presence in our midst for over a year. There will be an opportunity to express our gratitude to, and support for Michael at an afternoon Tea on Saturday August 1<sup>st</sup> at 2.00.p.m.in the parish Centre. All are cordially invited.

**New Appointment for Deacon Michael:** Bishop Peter Ingham has appointed me to the Lumen Christi Parish (Cathedral Wollongong) from 1 August 2015. This breaking news is sad, yet joyful: sad because I must say farewell to the clergy and parishioners in the Nowra region; joyful because I am able to explore new horizons in preparation for my ordination as a priest. My time at Nowra has been well and truly blessed. Thank you! Please continue to pray for me as I do for you. *Deacon Michael*

**St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal** is now well under way. The next fundraising event is our door knock appeal during the last 2 weeks in August. Please begin to give consideration to how you might be able to help. A formal request for names will be made later. Contact Mary 4421 0717 for information.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY every 9.30am Mass at Nowra.**



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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.

### 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.

### 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.

**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)

**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

**WORLD YOUTH DAY ~ Official Diocesan Launch, 31 July 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 WYD pilgrimage for those aged 18 & over. More info on the launch and diocesan pilgrimage available soon. Contact: Seth Harsh 4222 2460 / email: [seth.harsh@dow.org.au](mailto:seth.harsh@dow.org.au)

