



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.

Nineteenth Sunday Ordinary Time - Year B

9th August 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: The Mass for the Assumption of Mary - Thurs 5.30pm**

Vincentia: Mon/Thurs/Fri 8.00am; Tues/Wed 5.30pm
Shoalhaven Heads Community Hall, 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

Feastdays: Mon 10 Aug, St. Lawrence;
 Tues 11 Aug, St. Clare;
 Fri 14 Aug, St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe;

The Assumption of Mary August 15th - A Holyday of obligation

Vigils (Fri 14th): Berry- 6.00p.m.

S'haven Heads: 3.30.p.m.

Nowra: 6.30.p.m. Vincentia: 6.00p.m.

Sat 15th. Nowra: 9.00am., K. Valley 9.00a.m

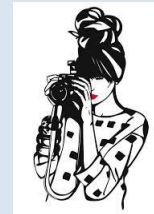
Vincentia : 8.00a.m.



NEXT SUNDAY: NOWRA YOUTH EVENT ~ for 13-18 year olds. Our first event (in June) saw 30 young parishioners entertained and inspired by Youth Mission Team, Wollongong. The second instalment is coming up: Sunday 16 Aug, 4pm-8pm. Contact Fr Duane if you are interested, 4423 1712 or duane@nowraparish.org.au

'For the Children' ~ Presented by Southland, an Australian International Performance Choir, Sunday 16 Aug, 2pm, Berry Uniting Church, Albert St, Berry. Cost: \$25, Concession: \$20. Afternoon tea provided. All proceeds donated to Mater Dei Camden, a Good Samaritan school and early intervention service for children with an intellectual disability. For info: 0400 890 839.

CWL Nowra Branch ~ Fashion Parade, Saturday 12 September, 10am, St. Michael's School Hall. B & M Fashion Culburra. Cost \$8.00 includes Morning Tea and Lucky Door Prize. Contact: Theresa 4422 6878 or Judy 4421 8565.



St Vincent De Paul Society Winter Appeal. Many thanks to parishioners who have already volunteered to help out with our doorknock appeal, on the week-ends of **August 22/23 and 29/30** We still need more assistants. Parishioners from any of the out-lying communities might be willing to attend some local shopping-centres. This would also be much appreciated.. Forms should now be in place in all churches for parishioners to note their readiness to volunteer. Choose your own area. Spend as much time as you can afford. Anyone needing more information, please ring Mary on 44210717.

The Sacredness of Marriage: As we are well aware the sacredness of Marriage and the security of family life are fundamental to the wellbeing of society as a whole, and the vitality of the Church. Children have a natural God given right to a mother and father in so far as this is possible. The Church's defence of Marriage as the commitment of man and woman in love, for life, flows from the very **Moral** or **Natural** law that governs all human beings.

Parent Evening for those whose children are preparing for First Reconciliation on Wed, 12 August at St. Michael's Hall, 7pm – Parents only.

"G" day Mass ~ An invitation is extended to all Grandparents, Guardians and Godparents of students in Year 7, to attend a Mass in acknowledgement of the contribution these special people have made to the lives of Yr 7 students. **Wed, 26 August, 10am at St. John the Evangelist School Hall.** Following Mass, Morning tea served near the chapel, and our special guests will be able to view some of the students work from Religion.



Have your say about Catholic Scripture!

Over 500 Catechists go into Government Primary Schools in our Diocese each week and teach nearly 10,000 Catholic School kids! These dedicated people teach the Christian values of respect, love, service and justice to our next generation of Catholics. The Government is currently conducting a review into SRE and what can be done to improve it in the years to come. They want you to have your say. **We'd appreciate you taking the time to complete an online survey – bit.ly/sre-review.** Your help will guarantee the ongoing growth of this important ministry. Thank you!

Science & Religion: Partners in knowing God, The Universe & Life. Thursday 13 Aug 7:30-9:30pm, at Xavier Centre 38 Harbour St, Wollongong.

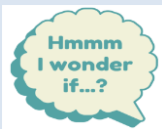
Rev. Dr. Anthony Gooley is back, this time presenting on *Science & Religion*. In popular imagination and media science and religion (Christianity) are often pitted against each other as opposing forces. When we look at the relationship between them, especially Christian theology, we are surprised to learn just how close they are to one another and yet each has its own limits and proper way of doing things. We will look, in particular, at the origins and development of the universe. **Registration is essential to Helen Bennett, 4222 2403 or helen.bennett@dow.org.au Cost \$10. Enquiries to Darren McDowell, 4222 2463 or cfl@dow.org.au**

We prayerfully remember **Danielle Bradshaw, and Ken Golinski** who died this past week. Also **Peter Morrissey, Sheila Bowden, Lillian Maguire, Robert Anderson Jack Silk, Sister Margaret Whiting SGS, Peter Toscan and Rita Trevisan** whose anniversaries occur at this time. *May they rest in eternal peace.*



Thinking of becoming Catholic?

Join us for our second Inquiry session no commitment needed to attend. Monday morning 10th August 9.30am OR Tuesday evening 11th August 7.30pm St. Michael's Parish Centre For more information ring: 4423 1712 or speak to Fr Duane, Fr Pat or Sr Sue





**LIVE SIMPLY SO OTHERS CAN SIMPLY LIVE:
LAUDATO SI – CHAPTER 6**

Over the last few instalments in these reflections on Laudato Si you will notice Pope Francis has been speaking about the big picture and our overall theology. In this final chapter of Laudato Si the Pope turns to the actions that we can do in our everyday lives. If we hope to have ecological conversion and a better world we need to have a conversion of heart, a new lifestyle which “opens the possibility of bringing healthy pressure to bear on those who wield political, economic and social power” (LS 206). The integral ecology of which he speaks “is also made up of simple daily gestures which break with the logic of violence, exploitation and selfishness” (LS 230). To undertake this path Pope Francis calls us to live with moderation, living simply and undertaking the regular examination of consciousness and conscience. These two practices can lead us to reflection and action in our daily life. Let us never underestimate the change and hope that can be brought by one single person.

**DATE CLAIMER - DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY 5
SEPTEMBER – MERCY AND HEALING**

Our next diocesan assembly will be held at Mount Carmel Catholic College, Varroville on Saturday 5 September, 9.30am registration for 10am start. It is a very practical assembly giving you an opportunity to partake in workshops with a focus on the upcoming Year of Mercy and our focus on Healing for 2016. Please reserve a spot in your calendar. More details available soon.

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

A big thanks for all the best wishes we received after our Second Birthday show last week and all the affirmation we keep getting about the program. This week on *The Journey* Peter Gilmore joins Jude Hennessy again for a show with some brilliant contemporary music picked to help you breeze through your week; Trish McCarthy talks about Faith and Language and Sr Hilda Scott OSB has a great piece too, all about the Ravensbruck prayer. Tune into PULSE 94.1 FM on Sun at 11am or go to www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

**NEXT INSTITUTION OF ACOLYTES – SATURDAY 29
AUGUST 6PM ST JOHN VIANNEY CO-CATHEDRAL**

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, click on the “Working With Children Check” icon in the header of the home page and follow the prompts. For further information contact Paul Mason liturgy@dow.org.au or 4222 2462.