



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.

Twenty Third Sunday Ordinary Time - Year B

6th September 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.

Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion:

Berry: Tues 5.30pm – also **Culburra:** 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

We prayerfully remember the recently deceased; **Bede Haywood and Judith Ciok (Vincentia)** Also, **Christopher Delaney, Athol Henry, Carmen Abela, Emanuel Abela, and Tony Amato (Tomerong)**, whose anniversaries occur at this time. *May they rest in eternal peace.*



Some dates to note on the parish Calendar:-

Sept 12th (Sat): CWL Fashion Parade- St Michael's.
Sept 16th (Wed): Year 12 Mass- St John's – 6.30pm
Sept 24th (Thurs): Parish Festive function – 6.30pm
Oct 17th (Sat): Significant Marriage anniversaries:-
 Mass at St Michael's - 10am
Oct 20th (Tues): Berry- Mass with Anointing of the Sick
Oct 24th (Sat): Berry St V.de Paul Conference- 50th
 Anniversary – Mass at 11am at St Patrick's

CWL Nowra Branch ~ Monthly meeting, Tues 8 Sept.,
 9.30am morning tea, followed by meeting at 10am in the
 Parish Centre. Contact: Judy 4421 8565.

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



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FIRST RECONCILIATION:

Monday 14 September and
Tuesday 15 September, in St.
Michael's Church at 6:30pm.

ST MICHAEL'S FEASTDAY:

All parishioners are invited to gather at the **Nowra Golf Club, Thurs 24 Sept, 6.30pm for 7pm** to celebrate our parish Feastday – St Michael. The guest speaker will be Michael Austin, Diocesan Director of CatholicCare. Cost: \$25 pp includes main & dessert, tea & coffee. **For catering purposes, payment should be made to the Parish Office when booking. We would be grateful if this could be finalized by Monday 14th Sept.**

THE BISHOP'S FATHERS' DAY COLLECTION: it is the responsibility of our Diocese to fund the support and care for those **sick, retired and elderly clergy** who have served us well. It is also the responsibility of the Diocese to provide funding for the training of our next generation of clergy. *"I would be grateful for your consideration of these needs and for your generous support," says our Bishop, Peter Ingham.* Your contributions to the loose money in the **2nd Collection** this weekend will go to this Appeal. *Thank you.*

Catechists ~ Level 3 course commencing Monday 12 Oct. Duration, over six Mondays in Term 4. No prior learning required to take part. Topics include: The Trinity; Eucharist - Source and Summit; Mission of the Holy Spirit; Morality; Sacraments: Baptism, Penance, Anointing of Sick; and Christology. For more info or to register, please contact Frances on 4423 1712.

Christian Churches of Berry invite you to a continental Breakfast on **SATURDAY 12th Sept** at Uniting Church, Berry, 8am - 9.30am. Guest speaker: **NICK COLE** from the Bible Society, speaking on the work of the society in the Middle East. *All most welcome.*

Tuesday, Sept 8th Birthday of Our Lady

Pope Francis to Fathers. "The vital role of fathers, their great mission is to be guardians and protectors. Fathers are called to be teachers, and enablers of their children to grow in God's grace. The vocation of fatherhood enables fathers to impart various skills to their children, the value of work, reverence for the Lord, and fidelity and obedience to God's will." May the fathers of the community be affirmed and respected in our society. May the Lord bless them and enable them to provide guidance and security for their children.



CWA Berry ~ Fashion Show, Saturday 19 Sept, 2pm,
 St. Patrick's Church, Albert St, Berry. Lucky Door prize,
 afternoon tea provided. Contact: Marie 4423 2164.

SVdP Door Knock Appeal: Latest news is \$8,600 has been raised, so far. We are still counting, and would appreciate all door knock collectors returning the buckets to the Parish Office. Sincerest thanks for your support and participation.

UNDERSTANDING & SUPPORTING THE JOURNEY WITH DEMENTIA. Monday 7 Sept 9:00am-3:30pm, Xavier Centre, 38 Harbour St, W'gong
 Wanting to understand the complexities of Dementia and how it affects people? Enquiries, Carmen Karauda 4640 8515 or carmen.karauda@catholiccare.dow.org.au
 Cost: \$10 **Registration essential by 3 Sept (places limited)** to **Helen Bennett 4222 2403** or helen.bennett@dow.org.au

St Joseph's House of Spirituality, Batehaven: "Come, see my face" Ps 27v8a day of reflection & prayer. Saturday, Sept 12th, 9.30am – 4.00pm. Lunch provided \$30 OR Come for weekend \$120.00. SR Judith 4472 4021 or judith.mills@sosj.org.au

COUPLES FOR CHRIST AUSTRALIA (CFCA) CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM (CLP) 'a renewed understanding of our faith & God's call to us'. Sunday, 13 Sept for 8 weekends at St Therese Parish, 2 Powell St, West W'gong. Invites you to attend every Sunday for two and a half hrs. 1.30pm. Cost: Free. To book / more info: Damien & Vanessa Ferri 0408431923, John & Belinda Jayme 0402169396, 0458265097.



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

AN EVENING WITH ST THERESA OF AVILA
Tuesday 15 Sept, 7:30-9pm, Xavier Centre, 38 Harbour St, W'gong.

St Theresa of Avila is an inspirational saint for our daily lives. With her down to earth spirituality she offers us pathways in our everyday life through which we can come closer to God and each other. This time together, facilitated by Fr Paul Maunder ocd of the Carmelite Monastery in Varroville, will offer you an opportunity to learn, reflect and explore how the Spirituality of St Theresa of Avila may assist you in your spiritual journey. **Registration essential to Helen Bennett** 4222 2403 or helen.bennett@dow.org.au

WORKING WITH CHILDREN IN PARISH MINISTRIES
Wednesday 16 Sept, 7.00pm-8:30pm, Xavier Centre, Wollongong

Overview of Working with Children Check requirements for parish ministries and best practice for lay people in ministry. Anyone involved in a parish ministry is welcome to attend. RSVP by 11 September to helen.bennett@dow.org.au

MINISTRY FORMATION COURSE – THE MUSIC COORDINATOR: – Saturday 19 September.

This course provides general formation & resources for those who coordinate music ministry at Mass, including Choir Directors, Ensemble and Small Group Leaders, Organists and Cantors in parishes and schools. Paul Mason and Angela Quinn will facilitate two sessions at the Xavier Centre, 38 Harbour St, W'gong, Sat 19 Sept., 10:00am–1:00pm. A Resource Kit & Morning Tea provided. Further info visit 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.

Fulfilling International Mission for Skilled

Volunteers:

Communities in **East Timor, PNG, Kenya, Kiribati, Samoa and elsewhere** are asking for volunteers to **assist mentor local workers and so assist poverty reduction.**



They believe **this approach promotes self-reliant, sustainable development** and have asked Palms Australia to recruit, prepare and support those who volunteer.

Want to know more? Information

Session will be held on Saturday 12 September at 11:00am, at Aquinas Academy, 141 Harrington Street, and The Rocks. RSVP to leanne@palms.org.au or call 02 9518 9551.

TAKE ACTION IN YOUR PARISH WITH LAUDATO SI

Care for Our Common Home: An Australian Group Reading Guide to Laudato Si' provides an accessible way to take up the Australian Bishops' invitation for the Catholic community and the wider Australian community to address the challenges and opportunities presented by the encyclical. This reading guide has been produced with Catholic Earthcare Australia and provides an easy way for all parish groups to discuss,

reflect and take action. The booklet can be ordered from: Garratt Publishing (www.garrattpublishing.com.au/laudatosi). You may also like to contact Darren McDowell, Diocesan Adult Faith Formation Coordinator, for assistance in implementing this resource within your community. Contact Darren on cfl@dow.org.au or 4222 2463

THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM – AIRS 6 SEPTEMBER 2015.

Each week *The Journey* includes a variety of inputs including Sam Clear from *walk4one* shares his passion for Christian unity and there are brilliant stories from Fr Dave Callaghan from the Missionaries of God's Love. Add to that some great music and interviews with people doing amazing things right around the globe and you've got a show that is all about faith, hope love and life. 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.