



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

Website: [nowraparish.org.au](http://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 Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time - Year B**

**13<sup>th</sup> 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.  
**Berry:** Tues 5.30pm **Culburra:** Thurs 5.30pm.  
**Vincentia:** Mon/Thurs/Fri 8.00am; Tues/Wed 5.30pm  
**Kangaroo Valley:** Tues/Thurs. 9.00am. Wed.: 7.00a.m.  
**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, **Bill Harris, Tony Garnuszek, Bishop Thomas McCabe, Malachy Frawley and Fr John Ward**, whose anniversaries occur at this time. *May they rest in eternal peace.*



**Some dates to note on the parish Calendar:-**

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



**FIRST RECONCILIATION:**

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

**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.



**ST MICHAEL'S FEASTDAY:** Thank you to the parishioners who have booked to attend our annual dinner. We will 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 14<sup>th</sup> Sept.**

**Catechists ~ Level 3 course commencing Monday 12 Oct.** Duration, over six Mondays in Term 4. No prior learning required to take part. The first topic is **Sacraments: Baptism, Penance, Anointing of the Sick** with Seth Harsh (Youth & Young Adults Coordinator). For registration or info, contact Frances 4423 1712.

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

The vast numbers of refugees and dis-placed people teeming into Europe mainly from Syria over recent weeks is overwhelming. The numbers, their needs and their future well-being defy the best of goodwill by individuals and nations. However the good will of so many European nations and now Australia included is most heartening. Bishop Vincent Long, chairman of the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council, has welcomed the Prime Minister's decision to accept an extra 12,000 refugees from Syria and Iraq.

**AN EVENING WITH ST THERESA OF AVILA**  
**Tuesday 15 Sept, 7:30-9pm, Xavier Centre, W'gong.** St Theresa of Avila is an inspirational saint for our daily lives.. Facilitated by Fr Paul Maunder (Carmelite). **Registration essential to Helen Bennett 4222 2403** or [helen.bennett@dow.org.au](mailto:helen.bennett@dow.org.au)

**Would you like to be involved?**

A group of parishioners from various parts of the parish recently responded to the invitation in the parish bulletin to attend a Diocesan Planning Meeting at Albion Park. As a result of that meeting they volunteered to facilitate initiatives to enhance the life of the parish. *Would you like to be involved in any of the following:*



**Anointing Mass at Berry:** Could you help to transport older parishioners to the annual Anointing Mass at Berry on Tues, 20 October. Contact Karen Sweeney now 4423 4676.

**Mass on 2 November for the Faithful Departed and the Annual Liturgy at Worrigea Chapel, Saturday 7 November.**

We would like to contact via a personal letter those who have experienced a bereavement during the year, to invite them to our November liturgies and offer them special hospitality on the day. *Interested in helping this happen? Contact Sr Bev 4421 2260*

**Using the mass media to share the good news of our parish life.** If you have ideas, skills, experience in this area, **Contact Brian McCarron 0412 465 040.**

**Welcoming people to our weekend liturgies.** We have a small team of parishioners who are rostered monthly to provide morning tea after the 9.30 Sunday Mass at St Michael's. We would love a few more volunteers! **Contacts: Roslyn Wilson Ph 0421 548 10, Kevin Bourke 4422 0565**

**WORKING WITH CHILDREN IN PARISH MINISTRIES**

**Wed, 16 Sept, 7.00pm-8:30pm, Xavier Centre, W'gong.** Overview of Working with Children Check requirements for parish ministries & best practice for lay people in ministry. Anyone involved in a parish ministry is welcome to attend. **RSVP by 11 Sept. to [helen.bennett@dow.org.au](mailto:helen.bennett@dow.org.au)**

**MINISTRY FORMATION COURSE –Sat, 19 Sept.** This course provides general formation & resources for those who coordinate music ministry at Mass, Organists & Cantors.. **Two sessions at Xavier Centre, 38 Harbour St, W'gong, Sat 19 Sept., 10:00am-1:00pm.** Resource Kit & Morning Tea provided. Cost: \$10. For enrolment registration contact Helen Bennett [helen.bennett@dow.org.au](mailto:helen.bennett@dow.org.au) or 4222 2403.



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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](http://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](mailto: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](http://www.jcr.org.au) or [www.itunes.jcr.org.au](http://www.itunes.jcr.org.au) where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.