



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.

11th Sunday Ordinary Time (Yr C)
12th June 2016

Sunday Masses:

NOWRA.....6pm Vigil; 8am, 9.30am & 6pm
BERRY 8.00am
BOMADERRY.....9.30am
CULBURRA 6pm Vigil
VINCENTIA. 6pm Vigil & 9.30am
KANGAROO VALLEY11.00am

Weekday Masses:

Nowra:....Mon 8.00am; Tues/Wed/Thurs 8.15am
Fri 7.00am and 11.30am, (Holy Hour 10.30am);
Sat. 9.00am
Berry: Tues 5.30pm **Culburra:** Thurs. 5.30pm
Vincentia:. Mon/Thurs/Fri. 8.00am; Tues/Wed 5.30pm
K Valley:. Tuesday/Thursday..9.00am. Wed 7.00am
Shoalhaven Heads: Fri 3.30pm

Confession--Reconciliation

Nowra:Sat : 9.30am -10.30am. 5.00 - 5.30pm
Culburra: Sat 5.30pm.....**Berry:** Tues 6.00pm
Kangaroo Valley:.....Sat 4.30 - 5.00pm
Vincentia:.....Sat 5 - 5.30pm

We prayerfully remember the recently deceased; **Peter Walsh, Joseph Saliba, Joan Tate,** (both of S'haven hds.) **Michael Elliott** (brother-in-law of Patricia & Alan Clark), **Stanley James Hanlon** (St Mary's), Also, **Ray Owen, John Baumann, Margaret Casson, Anne Monteith, Marjorie Hay,** whose anniversaries occur at this time. *May they rest in eternal peace.*



The Annual Mission Appeal will be conducted within the parish on June 25-26th.

Choir Rehearsal – Thursday 16 June at 6pm, St. Michael's Church.

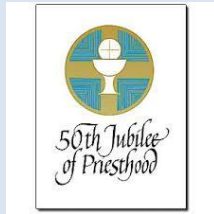


9th Birthday Celebration CWL Nowra – monthly meeting, Tues 14 June, 9.30am morning tea, followed by Meeting at 10am, Parish Centre.

Contact: Judy 4421 8565. All are most welcome.

Soup Kitchen - We are in need of a group of people willing to go on a casual roster, so we have a pool of people to call on occasionally, when people are away. Please call Shannon on 0414 521404 to volunteer or enquire. *Thank you.*

50th Anniversary of Fr Pat's ordination to the



Priesthood will be marked with a special Parish Mass, celebrated at 10am on Sunday 19 June by Bishop Peter, which will replace both the 9.30am Masses at Nowra and Bomaderry. **Following Mass, light refreshments will be served in the Hall. Please come and make this a**

very special Parish event. *(There have been many queries from parishioners regarding an appropriate gift for the occasion. Fr Pat genuinely appreciates the good will and generosity of parishioners but has requested that there be NO personal GIFTS or financial donations).*

Catechist Retreat – DATE CHANGE

The Catechist Retreat will now be held on **Friday 1 July at St Mary Star of the Sea Church, Gerringong.** Commencing at 10am with morning tea (provided). Concluding at 2pm. Please BYO lunch.

The theme of this year's Retreat is *'the fount of Mercy'*, led by our very own, Fr Ronan Kilgannon. Considering just how successful the retreat was last year, please make sure that you book early for this year.

RSVP to Cindy Oliver on 4640 8550 or cindy.oliver@dow.org.au

Catechists: come and hear Peter Gilmore tell us how to **'Be the Boss of your Classroom'**. An in-service for those of us wanting to improve our classroom management skills and more effectively motivate difficult students. **Mon 20 June, 9:30am** till lunchtime in the Parish Centre. Morning Tea provided. See you there! Frances 4423 1712.

SISTERHOOD – For young women 16 to 22 yrs – Friday 17 June, 6pm-8.30pm, at St. Michael's Parish Centre. More info go to "Sisterhood Nowra" on Facebook or text / call Pia 0434 692 670, or just come along!

Craft Group - Our sincere thanks to those thoughtful parishioners who have donated wool, materials & craft items. We should now be able to create many items for Vinnies and St Michael's fete. Any parishioners are welcome to join us for a cuppa and a chat, Wednesday mornings about 9.30 in the Parish Centre. *Many thanks, Louise and Cecily*

Becoming Catholic

Do you know someone who might be **interested in becoming Catholic**...maybe a family member or friend or neighbour? Sometimes a person says: "I was just waiting for someone to ask me." Perhaps you yourself are wondering whether you might explore this path. **A new group, including some school parents, will be starting soon** at St Michael's Parish for people thinking about making the journey towards Baptism or full membership of the Catholic faith. Feel free to contact Sr Sue or priests of the parish. No commitment needed at this stage. **Parish Office: 4423 1712**

PLANNED GIVING: As the end of the financial year is fast approaching it would be greatly appreciated if parishioners are able to bring their Planned Giving contributions up to date. **Please note** - anyone whose envelope number is above 450 - you will find you have been allocated a new number. This is due to a decline in the number of contributors meaning fewer envelopes have been ordered this year.

We encourage new subscribers to the Parish Planned Giving Program; simply contact the Parish Office.

Holy Spirit Vincentia - A truly amazing story!

John Pridmore was a vicious and feared gangster in London. His life was a living hell until, in 1991, he was saved by an extraordinary intervention of God's mercy. Since then, from his home in Ireland, John has travelled the world sharing his inspiring story of what God has done for him. Come and hear him speak: **Holy Spirit Church hall, Vincentia, Tues, 21 June, at 10am.**

The Australian Family Association (AFA) invites all interested to a 1 hour presentation/info session on the SAFE SCHOOLS PROGRAM. **Tues, 21 June, 7.30pm** in the Committee Room at Nowra Showground (next to pavilion). Presenter: Joseph Carolan (AFA NSW secretary and ex-school teacher in a Safe School). This presentation repeated Wed 22 June, 5.30pm at the Life Church, Culburra Beach (above Elder's R/E). Enquiries: 0435336195.. www.family.org.au www.KidsRights.org.au



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Culburra Family Group - The next function for the Culburra Family Group will be on **Tues, 21 June**, 9:45am, at Casey's (4446 4117) for Storytelling and morning tea (pancakes and hot chocolate!).

THANK YOU to those who attended Mother Ruth Scholarship Fundraiser Theatre Gala and also to a number of very generous supporters who donated money to the Fund. We have raised 80% of the money needed for next year: \$3,895. A fantastic effort by all. A special thank you also to the cooks who contributed to the magnificent supper.

THE FOURTH CUP - DR SCOTT HAHN

St Paul's Catholic Church Albion Park Parish, Meeting Room. Tues 14 June, 7pm – 8.30pm.

Renowned apologist Dr Scott Hahn places the Last Supper in the context of the Jewish Passover Seder Liturgy. By explaining the significance of the drinking of the fourth and final cup in the Old Testament Passover meal ceremony, Dr Hahn draws a symbolic parallel to Christ's death on the Cross. This exciting concept will help viewers to discover a whole new dimension to Holy Mass, and the relationship of the Last Supper to the Eucharistic celebration. Enquiries: Parish Office 4256 2038 or Charles Farrugia 4256 1190.

The Rosary is held **every Tuesday, 9.30am in St. Michael's Church** - ALL parishioners are most welcome to join us.

St Michael's Cuppa and Playgroup has been a great success, meeting Mondays at 9am for parents and infants up to school age, at St Michael's school hall. All welcome! If anyone is interested in leading the group or would like more information, contact Fr Duane on 44231712 or duane@nowraparish.org.au

SVdP ~ Piety Stall Nowra is well worth a look for your religious gifts. Items can also be ordered from the catalogue in the Berry Street store. Also available to order, handmade First Holy Communion veils. Ph: 4421 7395.

Sacred Heart Church Piety Stall – Religious gifts and cards. Piety Stall open after Sunday Mass (9.30am) or call Suzie Alamango on 4448 6219 or 0419 249 008. Communion and other items are also available at the stall and by special order from the catalogue (copies available at each Church).

PUB THEOLOGY WOLLONGONG presents Tim and Lara Kirk with; "The Joy of the Gospel in Marriage and Family Life" @ Dicey Riley's Hotel, 7pm, **Wed, 29 June**, with live music (ages 18-35). **For more info, visit our website www.pubtheo.com.au or email: team@pubtheo.com.au**

A VOTE FOR THE VOICELESS: AUSTRALIAN BISHOPS ELECTION STATEMENT

As is custom during a federal election, the Australian Bishops have released an Election Statement calling for the voices of the thrown-away people to be heard "not in order to push an ideological line or simply to defend the Church's interests but to give a voice to the voiceless and make their faces seen" during this long election campaign. You can download the statement, including the bishops' list of some of the people discarded in our throwaway culture, at www.catholic.org.au/election

LITURGICAL MINISTRY TRAINING: CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD LEADERS

We uncover the meaning and rationale of celebrating a separate children's Liturgy of the Word. We explore its ritual structure and its nature as both proclamation and celebration. Some practical issues, & suggested resources. **Sat 18 June, 10am - 1pm** (Morning Tea incl). **Venue: Xavier Conference Centre, 38 Harbour St, W'gong.** RSVP Lisa Metcalfe / Helen Bennett 4222 2403 / Paul Mason 4222 2462 liturgy@dow.org.au

PEOPLE OF FORGIVENESS, HEALING & HOPE IN MY LIFE - Tues 21 June, 7pm – 9pm School Hall - St. Thomas Aquinas Parish (24 Bundaroo St, Bowral).

Who are today's ministers of mercy? Led by Fr Stephen Varney, this evening session will help us to reflect upon who and how many people provide forgiveness, healing

and hope in our lives. **RSVP to Helen Bennett on 4222 2403 or helen.bennett@dow.org.au**