



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.

24th Sunday Ordinary Time (Yr C)
11th September 2016

Sunday Masses:

NOWRA.....6pm Vigil; 8am, 9.30am & 6pm
BERRY 8.00am
BOMADERRY9.30am
CULBURRA 6pm Vigil
VINCENTIA. 6pm Vigil & 9.30am
KANGAROO VALLEY11.00am

Weekday Masses

Nowra: Mon 7.00am; 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 those who died recently; **Pamela Rex, Victor Brodnik and Don Body, Artemyo Aventurera (USA).** Also, **Tibor Barbay, Albert Rolet, and Malachy Frawley** whose anniversaries occur. *May they rest in eternal peace. We offer our very sincere sympathy and prayers to Bernadette Body and her family on the tragic death of her husband, Don on Monday.*



CWL Nowra ~ Monthly Meeting, Tues 13 Sept, 9.30am morning tea, followed by Meeting at 10am, Parish Centre. Contact: Judy 4421 8565

CWL Nowra Branch ~ Wedding Anniversary Mass & Luncheon, Sat, 22 October. Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am at St Michael's with the Luncheon to follow. This Special occasion is for all Parishioners who are celebrating significant Wedding Anniversaries (25; 40; 50; 60 years). Please RSVP by Wed 12 Oct to the Parish Office 4423 1712.


Choir Rehearsal – All welcome. Come along and join us in learning new hymns for our Sunday worship. Next rehearsal, **Sunday 11 Sept,** Sacred Heart Church, Bomaderry. (following the 9.30am Mass).

CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY plus PRAYER FOR VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ABUSE – 11 September 2016

Pope Francis has established a day of prayer and penance for the victims of sexual abuse and to pray for a greater awareness and responsibility by the Church towards the young entrusted to its care. The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has linked this day with our Child Protection Sunday this year.

SVdP Doorknock Appeal ~. The amount raised to date is \$7,789.00. We have also received a wonderful donation of \$13,576.62 raised by the efforts of the students, teachers and parents of St. John the Evangelist High School Nowra, with various activities. *Many thanks.*

ST MICHAEL'S FEASTDAY: All

parishioners are invited to gather at the **Nowra Golf Club, Thurs 29 Sept, 6:30pm for 7pm** to celebrate our Parish Feastday – St Michael. *Our guest speaker*  *is Terry O'Connell (OAM) who will be speaking on Justice and Mercy; a former senior sergeant, Terry has pioneered a restorative justice model now used to help people in prisons and juvenile justice facilities, victims of crime, school children, families and corporate organisations around the world.* Cost: \$33 pp includes main & dessert, tea & coffee. **For catering purposes, payment should be made to the Parish Office when booking. Bookings and payment will need to be finalised by Mon 19 Sept.**

Sisterhood ART NIGHT – This Friday 16 Sept, 6pm to 8:30pm, at St Michael's Parish Centre. Art supplies (& pizza) provided. For young women aged 16-22 years old. Enquiries: contact Pia 0434692670.

READERS' FORUM – Proclaiming the Word.

This Forum is open to all current readers & those interested in being lectors at Mass. A repeat opportunity on **Thurs, 15 Sept, 7pm-8.30pm,** St. Michael's Parish Centre. Enquire: Robbie 0407 013 551.

SVdP ~ Please join us for the Rosary every Tuesday in St. Michael's Church at 9.30am. You will be most welcome.

THE BISHOP'S BELATED FATHERS' DAY COLLECTION

to support 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 NEXT** weekend will go to this Appeal. *Thank you.*

Nowra Samaritan Group ~ Our sincere thanks to those generous parishioners who have already volunteered to help in a number of ways. **If you are able to help in any way, please add your name and contact details on the green volunteer sheet at the church doors, or contact one of the names on the flyer.** With our grateful thanks, *Nowra Samaritan Group*

Maltese Community Lunch ~ The Maltese Community next get-together on **Sat 15 Oct,** at Holy Spirit, **Vincentia,** at 12 noon. Please bring a dish to share. Gold Coin donation. Coffee & Tea provided. Contact Lily 44415138 or 0410522876.

Culburra Family Group ~ lunch at 12 noon, **Tues 13 Sept** at the Greenwell Point Bowling & Sports Club. Please let Greg Watts know if you are coming (4447 1270). Then afternoon tea at Joan and Greg's place, where we will continue to celebrate Jean Helliwell's 90th birthday.

St. Michael's School presents Peter Pan ~ Fri 16th Sept, 7pm & Sunday 18th, Matinee 2pm. Held in school hall. Tickets available at the door. Cost: children \$5, adults \$10, family (up to 6) \$30. Light refreshments available.

"Mass for you at Home" ~ Sundays only for 30mins. T.V. WIN Illawarra, channel 8.at 6.00a.m.

Trivia night at Bottlerocket Bar (2/90 Kinghorne St Nowra) – **Tues 20 Sept,** dinner & drinks from 6:30pm, Trivia starts 7pm. The bar is booked for us for that evening – a great response so far but to avoid over-booking, **RSVP is essential, as soon as possible to Roslyn 0421548109 / Adrienne 0408631552.**



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TAIZE FESTIVAL Mon 26 – Wed 28 Sept

The Mount Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville will host the Courage of Mercy Taize Festival. Featuring Brother Ghislain from the Taize community in France this is a youth focused opportunity to learn the music of taize, be part of worship, share faith and life with others and embrace a vision of solidarity and peace for our world. For Registration/ more info visit www.carmeliteretreats.com.au/taize-retreat or contact 8795 3400 or Email: retreats@carmelist.co

The Accompaniment Book for Gather Australia, used by the organists, is missing from the organ. If anyone knows of its whereabouts please contact the Parish Office.

BOMADERRY COMMUNITY GROUP: Following feedback from surveys, the current focus is to discuss new ideas for including **youth and young families** in the community. Please put your names down on the sign up sheets in the foyer if you want to be part of the conversation. Thanks to those who have put their names down already; a meeting will be arranged soon.

CatholicCare ~ Strengthen your family relationships Parenting workshops for Term 4 are now taking bookings. If you want to build on your parenting skills and strengthen your family relationships go to the calendar at www.catholiccare.dow.org.au or give CatholicCare a call on 4227 1122 or 4628 0044.

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

Holy Spirit, Vincentia ~ "Senior Rights Service" will hold a public information session on consumer rights, scams and planning for end of life etc. in the hall of Holy Spirit Catholic Church, St George Ave Vincentia, **Monday 3 October** from 9.00am – 12.00pm. Registration essential to: Margaret Crothers, Education Officer 1800 424 079. As numbers are limited to 40,

parishioners will have an opportunity to register before the public during August.

Significant Marriage Anniversaries Diocesan Mass: If you are celebrating **25, 40, 50 or 60 years** of marriage this year and would like an invitation to the Mass celebrated by Bishop Peter Ingham on **Sun, 18 September, 2.00pm**, contact **Helen Bennett 4222 2403 or email helen.bennett@dow.org.au** at the Office of the Bishop

Marriage Encounter weekend: All married couples are invited to a **weekend 23-25 Sept.** in Varroville. Three couples and a priest give talks about their relationship and faith. After each talk you have time to discuss in privacy. No group discussions~ so it is a warm, gentle learning process. Contact Ardell & Bill Sharpe (02) 4283 3435 wsharpe@bigpond.net.au

Tuesday mornings at Nowra: All are welcome to share in morning tea straight after Mass every Tuesday. All are also welcome to come pray the Rosary together **every Tuesday at 9.30am** in St. Michael's Church.

Nowra Uniting Church ~ Fundraiser supporting Operation Christmas Child. Trivia Night, Fri 21 October, Wesley Centre, Cnr Berry & Junction Sts Nowra. Doors open 6.30pm for 7pm start. \$10pp. Register at nowraunitingkids@gmail.com or call Cindy 0438218885 / Phillip 0481041033.

MUSIC MINISTERS FORUM: LAUNCH OF CATHOLIC WORSHIP BOOK II. Sun 2 Oct, 2pm-4pm St Thomas Aquinas Church 2 Bendooley St, Bowral. Bishop Peter Ingham will officially launch the new Catholic Worship Book II for the Diocese of W'gong. Fr Sean Cullen and the parish of Bowral-Mittagong are hosting the event in Bowral at the end of the Southern Highlands Tulip & Food Festivals. All parish music groups and choirs are invited to come along and get a taste of the songs of this new music resource. Ms Angela Quinn will lead the Diocesan Choir and other parish choirs and music groups are invited to present an item or two. Books will be available for sale. Make a weekend of it by

combining the launch event with a tour of the southern highlands gardens & food treasures.

*Further information, and to arrange your parish music group participation, contact Paul Mason 4222 2462 liturgy@dow.org.au. **Bookings essential to Helen Bennett on 4222 2403 or helen.bennett@dow.org.au***

VOLUNTEERS FOR EXCITING NEW YOUTH MINISTRY INITIATIVES – APPLY NOW!

If you're aged 18-35 and interested in music, sound, lighting, events, teaching, preaching, dance, drama, leadership or just want to lend a hand, call Seth Harsh on 4222 2460 or email seth.harsh@dow.org.au. Don't miss this opportunity to share and develop your gifts by being part of Catholic Youth initiatives that are set to transform the face of youth ministry in this Diocese and beyond!

IMPACT – A CONVENTION FOR YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS 6-8 OCTOBER, at VARROVILLE. Presented by The Catholic Guy. For registration please visit impactconvention.com

FRIDAY NIGHT CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY IN WOLLONGONG: Cathedral Nights: Fri 16 Sept, join us in the Cathedral for an extra special night. Together we'll explore how the fruits of the Spirit can transform our lives, and spend time in adoration and prayer, with opportunity for reconciliation. iSTAND is the Diocesan group for 14-18 year olds, run by the Wollongong Youth Mission Team. Join us at the Xavier Centre, Harbour St W'gong 7pm-9:30 for a night of discovering faith, fun & good friends. Contact Tara Hennessy 0432 924 505 for further info.

Sunday Night Young Adults 18+ after 6.00pm Mass. Contact Seth Harsh on seth.harsh@dow.org.au for more info. Come grow in faith with other young vibrant Catholics.