



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.

Sunday Masses:

Nowra: Vigil 6pm, 8.00am, 9.30am and 6.00pm

Berry:..... 8.00am

Bomaderry:..... 9.30am

Culburra: Vigil 6.00pm,

Vincentia: Vigil 6.00pm, and 9.30am

Kangaroo Valley: 11.00.am.



Masses during the Week

Nowra: Monday: 7.00 am. Tue/Wed/ Thurs. 8.15 am

Fri. 7.00am & 11.30am (10.30am Holy Hour), Sat 9.00am

Berry: Tuesday 5.30 pm

Culburra: Thursday 5.30 pm

Vincentia: Mon/Thurs/Fri 8.00 am, Tues/Wed 5.30 pm

Kangaroo Valley: Mon/Tues/Thurs: 9.am; Wed 7 am

S'haven Heads: Friday 3.30pm

Confession / Reconciliation

Nowra: Saturday: 9.30- 10.30.am and 5.00 - 5.30 pm

Culburra: Sat. 5.30pm

Vincentia: Sat 5.00 – 5.30pm

We prayerfully remember, **Raema Burrows** and **Esme Armstrong** (Berry) who died this week. Also those whose anniversaries occur, **Lola Watts, Mark Broomhead, Keith Sheehy, Edna Jones, Michael Chang, John Evers, Julia Denton, Shirley Crozier, and Ralph Peters** *May they rest in eternal peace.*

Choir Rehearsal for Nowra and Bomaderry Christmas liturgies Thursday 15 December 5pm at St. Michael's Parish Hall and Sunday 18 December following 9.30 Mass at Sacred Heart Church Bomaderry.

DATES TO NOTE:

Dec 13 Tuesday; St Michael's School Year 6 Thanksgiving Mass 6.30 pm.

Reconciliation/Confession at Berry: Sat 17th. 9.00-10.00 am.

Dec 21 Wednesday; 2nd Rite of Reconciliation at St Michael's – 7.00 pm.

Emmaus Group ~ Mass with a Difference

Thank you to everyone who supported our outdoor mass last Sunday evening. It was wonderful to see over 200 people there. We would like your feedback. How did you find the experience? Should we do it again?

Please contact Bernadette on bpullen@outlook.com.au or 0402136691.

Bomaderry Church ~ Flower & Cleaning Roster –

helpers are needed for the flower and church cleaning rosters. Please contact Irena if you are able to help. You would only be rostered once every 8 weeks. Phone: 0407 667 632

Nowra CWL monthly meeting, **Tues 13 Dec**, 9.30am morning tea, followed by Meeting at 10am in Parish Centre. Contact Judy 4421 8565.



Catholic Women's League Nowra

Branch members would like to thank all those who supported us throughout the year. Our Christmas Raffle raised \$1400.00. Thankyou. 1st Prize: Carol Ward, Bomaderry (5275); 2nd Prize: Jody Le, North Nowra (5894). Congratulations to the winners. The members wish all parishioners a Happy and safe Christmas Season.

Nowra Community Social Group thank all those who encouraged and supported our activities this year and assure you there will be more to come in 2017. Morning tea after 9.30 Mass will continue through the school holidays, except for Christmas Day and New Year's Day and we will resume Blokes Night Out and Sunday Roast in January. On Sunday 18 Dec after 9.30am Mass we are going to have a small Christmas Celebration - all invited. **WATCH FOR NOTICES ON THE SOCIAL BOARD and IN THE CHURCH VESTIBULE.**

St Michael's Christmas Day Lunch for those in need:

The Soup Kitchen in conjunction with the Social Group and other generous parishioners are hosting a special lunch at the Annex (usual soup kitchen location) on Christmas Day, for all those in need of food or company. All welcome! For more information, contact Kevin on 0412664213

Third Sunday in Advent (Yr A)

11th December 2016

Svdp Christmas Appeal this weekend in Nowra and



Bomaderry. Thank you in advance for your generous and continued support. May God bless you all during this wonderful Christmas season.

Give The Gift Of Faith ~ Did you know that in our

Parish there is a faithful team of volunteers that make an enormous difference to the young people in our community? In our State schools our Catechists teach a basic message about Jesus and our faith. Each week of the school year Catechists lead a short lesson where they use a step-by-step lesson plan that helps Catholic children understand their faith, grow in love and virtue and learn what it means to be Catholic. We were all given this gift of faith by someone – it is now your turn to be that someone! We invite you to give the gift of faith by becoming a Catechist in 2017, as a teacher or classroom helper. Further info, please call Frances 44231712

Staff & volunteers of St. Vincent de Paul Jim Da Silva

farm sincerely appreciated those parishioners who attended the Market Open Day on 26 November. The stall holders did well and favourable comments were heard by visitors regarding the peaceful setting of the farm. We thank those for supporting this very worthwhile fundraising function. A profit of over \$1,000 was made. If you missed out on attending you are very welcome at the Farm's next Open day. God's many blessings on you this Christmas.

Holy Spirit Vincentia Christmas Morning Tea on

Sunday 11 Dec after the morning Mass. Please come along and bring a plate to share. Enquiries: Judy Lenehan 4441 7456

Christmas cleaning at Culburra Church – Saturday 17 December, 8am.

The next function for the Culburra Beach Family Group will be a Christmas breakfast at Casey's on Sunday 11 December at 9am (44464117).

Soup Kitchen ~ A reminder to everyone; our **end of year Christmas break up lunch** will be held Friday 23 Dec. *All most welcome.* Enquiries: Sue 0435336195 or Shannon 44470990.



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2017 Daily Mass Books (\$25) and Prayer Books (\$30)

are now in stock at Sacred Heart Church, Bomaderry or call Suzie Alamango, 4448 6219 / 0419 249 008. Sacramental, Advent and Christmas items also available at the stall and by special order from the catalogue, (copies available at each Church).

Emmanuel — *Daily Advent and Christmas Reflections book, some still available. Reflections are practical and brief by a number of priests, religious and laity within the Diocese.* Only \$2 per copy.

St Patrick's Business Courses Ltd

Enrolments are now open for our 2017 Diplomas in Business and Business Admin. These 40-week courses are ideal for Yr 10, 11 or 12 school leavers and provide a viable alternative pathway to career or university. We also assist the majority (well over 90%) of our graduates to find well-paid and enjoyable roles.

Contact our Director of Education, Anne Fairhall, to arrange an interview to discuss your study options 0407 278 164.

Anderledy Lodge Weekend Summer Special Rate

~ Visiting Sydney this Summer? Stay with us at Mary MacKillop Place, 7 - 11 Mount Street, North Sydney.

20% off room rates on Friday, Saturday & Sunday nights, including breakfast and Wifi.

**Promotion ends April 2017.*

***Unavailable over New Year.*

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