



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.

2nd Sunday of Lent (Yr A) 12th March 2017

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 & **Fri.17th March 6.30.p.m.**

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: Fridays 3.30.p.m

Confession / Reconciliation

Nowra: Sat 9.30am – 10.30.a.m. 5.00 - 5.30pm

Culburra: Sat. 5.30pm

Vincentia: Sat 5.00 – 5.30pm

Feastdays: Friday 17th March – St Patrick
Mon 20th March - St Joseph

Stations of the Cross

No Stations at Nowra this Friday March 17th

Culburra following the 5.30.p.m. Mass on Thursdays

Vincentia: each Friday of Lent, after 8:00 am Mass

We prayerfully remember **Francis Guinery, Mary Bond, Peter Ryan, Anne Giles** and **Mary Chadwick** who died this past week. Also **Francene Devoy, Alexandra Garnuszek, Jacki & Peter Fossey** whose anniversaries occur at this time. *May they rest in eternal peace*

St Michael's weekly Playgroup: Mondays 9:00am – 10:30am in foyer of the School Hall. Parents, grandparents, carers, all welcome! Please bring your child's snacks & gold coin donation.

Choir Rehearsal - Nowra & Bomaderry Lenten & Easter liturgies, Wed 15th March at 5.30pm, St. Michael's Church. New singers always welcome.

Kindergarten Enrolments 2018, St Michael's School

Enrolment packages are available from the school office.

Phone: 4421 3630 Ms. Sue Easter, email:

info@smndow.catholic.edu.au, web:

www.smndow.catholic.edu.au

Enrolment Interviews with the School Principal will be

Sat 6th May & Parish Priest by appointment.



Nowra CWL monthly meeting, Tues 14th March, 9:30am morning tea, followed by meeting at 10 am, in the Parish Centre.

Mass at 8:15am will be offered for the late Alva (Pud) Egan a member of CWL & Anne

Cooke-Moore, Colleen Hetherington's sister. Please contact **Judy 44218565**

St Patrick's Day Mass~ Fri 17th at St Patrick's Berry will be at 6.30pm, followed by refreshments & fun in the hall. Please bring a plate to share & remember your gold coins for "Whiskey Toss". ALL most welcome.

During the Mass the new Stained Glass window to St Patrick will be dedicated.



Beginning Ash Wednesday & running through the 6 weeks of Lent **Project Compassion** raises both funds and community awareness about important global issues, empowering our neighbours across the world to build a brighter future.

Catechist Level 1 course will go ahead THIS Tue 14th March, 9:30am – 1pm in the Parish Centre. This week we will focus on using the Smart-Board & Tips for Lesson Planning & Delivery. Morning tea provided.



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

Craft-Tea Characters Parish Centre, Wednesdays

9:30am-12:00pm There's more to it than craft you'll see; like coffee, laughs, community, conversation & more, if you'll just walk in through the door. Give it a go & then you'll know all you need to do is show. Enquiries: **Louise 0438 218 728**

Confirmation lessons for students (not at Catholic Schools) will commence Tuesday 14th March in Vincentia at the Holy Spirit Church & Wed 15th March in Nowra at St Michael's School Hall. Lessons will run 4pm-5pm.

Parish Social Justice Group: *At the close of the Year of Mercy in Dec 2016, Pope Francis reminded us not to forget those in prison and their families.* How much do we include these people in our prayers, our concern? A number of our parishioners have involvement with the prisoners &/or families in various ways. Two of these will share their experience at the Parish Centre, Thurs 16th March at 7.30 pm. **Come along and have your horizons expanded.**

Culburra Beach Family Group – Come along on Tues 14th March from 1:45 pm, Jean Helliwell's home (7 Ormonde Cres, Orient Point. Ph: 44473018). It will be an afternoon of memorabilia stories, so please bring an item for your story. There will be scones and damper to accompany the stories.

St John's High School, Year 7 2018 Enrolment Applications - Following a very successful Open Night, enrolments are now open. Please phone the school on 4423 1666 or email info@sjedow.catholic.edu.au for an enrolment package. Contact the Principal's Secretary, Mrs Loreena Doumbos, if you require further information. **Enrolment applications close 24th March.**

Barefoot Bowls - Tues 14th March at 5pm. The evening is guaranteed to be a fun time. All you need is a pair of socks (if preferred) & \$5 for registration. All ages welcome **Contact Sylvia on 0437 267 245** for further information



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Transport to Mass at Culburra: Anyone willing to help transport people to Mass at Culburra, please contact Fr Duane, 44231712 or duane@nowraparish.org.au

Trivia Night – Tues 21st March: Bottle Rocket Bar, Kinghorne St, Nowra. Book a table with your friends or contact Fr Duane if you want to join a table. \$5 buy in, winning table takes all!

New volunteers for Children's Liturgy are urgently needed for 9:30am Mass at Nowra. If you think you can help in this wonderful ministry to children & families, please contact Fr Duane.

FASTING FOR LENT

Fast from criticism and feast on praise
Fast from self-pity and feast on joy
Fast from ill-humour and feast on peace
Fast from resentment; feast on contentment
Fast from jealousy and feast on love
Fast from pride and feast on humility
Fast from selfishness and feast on service
Fast from fear and feast on faith.

Parish Staff – Parish Office: 4423 1712

Fr Patrick Faherty: Parish Priest, Nowra

Fr Duane Fernandez: Assistant Priest, Nowra:

Fr Leo Duck: Vincentia; 4441 5571

Fr Ronan Kilgannon: Kangaroo Valley.

Deacon Peter Presdee - Chaplain to Corrective Services

Sisters Beverley Caffery and Sue Barker SGS.

Mrs Frances Fairs: Catechist Coordinator, 4423 1712

Mrs Liz Nimmo: PT Parish Secretary 4423 1712

Mrs Melissa Mazzo: PT Parish Secretary 4423 1712