



**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.

**Palm Sunday - (Yr A)**

**9<sup>th</sup> April 2017**

**HOLY WEEK - THE GREAT WEEK**

**Holy Thursday - 13<sup>th</sup> April  
Mass of the Lord's Supper**

Nowra: 7:00pm  
Berry: 7:00pm  
Culburra Beach: 6:00pm  
Vincentia: 6:00pm



**Good Friday - 14<sup>th</sup> April**

Good Friday is a Day of Fast and Abstinence



**Stations of the Cross**

Nowra, Kangaroo Valley & Vincentia: 10:00am  
Bomaderry 8:30am

**Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion**

**Good Friday - 14<sup>th</sup> April**

Nowra (Hall) 3:00pm  
Berry 3:00pm  
Culburra Beach 3:00pm  
Vincentia 3:00pm

**The Easter Vigil (Sat) - 15<sup>th</sup> April**

Nowra 7:00pm  
Culburra Beach 6:00pm  
Vincentia 7:00pm  
Berry 7:00pm

**Easter Sunday - 16<sup>th</sup> April**

Nowra (Hall) 8:00, 9:30am & 6:00pm  
Berry 8:00am  
Bomaderry 9:30am  
Culburra Beach 8:00am & 9:30am  
Vincentia 8:00am & 9:30am  
Kangaroo Valley 11:00am  
Syro-Malabar (Indian) Mass: St Michael's -11.00.am  
Easter Sunday

**Reconciliation at St Michael's Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April  
9:00 -10:00 am (only)**

**Berry: Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April – 9:00 -10:00 am**

**Masses This Week**

Nowra: Mon 7:00am, Tues/Wed 8:15am  
Berry: Tues 5:30pm  
Vincentia: Mon 8:00am, Tues 5:30pm  
K Valley: Mon/Tues 9:00am, Wed 7:00am

**Choir Rehearsal** -for Nowra and Bomaderry Easter liturgies, **Sun 9<sup>th</sup> April** following 9.30 Mass at Sacred Heart Church Bomaderry and **5.30pm Wed 12<sup>th</sup> April** at St. Michael's Hall.

**Project Compassion** demonstrates

how love for our neighbours can transform lives. The daily news gives us graphic scenes of the tragic suffering in so many people's lives. You can be assured that Caritas is to the forefront in many regions bringing relief and essential support.



**Nowra CW – Monthly meeting, Tues 11<sup>th</sup> April** 9:30am morning tea, followed by meeting at 10am in the Parish Centre. Why not come along, you will be made most welcome. Contact **Judy 4421 8565**



**The Chrism Mass - Wed 12<sup>th</sup> April, 7:30pm, St Francis Xavier Cathedral.** At this Mass, with the Clergy and Religious leaders of the Diocese and a large congregation of the faithful, the Bishop blesses and consecrates the Oils needed for Baptism, Confirmation and the Sick throughout the year. It is a very beautiful celebration, and all are very welcome.

**Divine Mercy Sunday, Vincentia –** Divine Mercy devotions will be held on **Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> April** at 2:30pm at Holy Spirit Church, Vincentia. Afternoon tea to follow in the hall. All welcome.

We prayerfully remember those who died in the tragic accident at Berry during the week. Also the following whose anniversaries occur: **Jack Regan, Tom Guthrie, Elva Merriman, Doreen Patterson, Dempsey & Hockey families.** May they rest in eternal peace.

**The Good Friday Collection** is to support in a number of ways the decreasing number of Christians in the Holy Land, who are enduring great hardship and is also used to maintain more than 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus in the Mid-East.

**Barefoot Bowls** is on again at 5.00pm, **Tues, 11<sup>th</sup> April** at the Bomaderry Bowling Club. The evening is guaranteed to be a lot of fun. There is no need to book – simply meet with the group at the club. Play in bare feet or wear a pair of soft sole flat shoes and bring \$5 for registration. Contact **Sylvia: 0437 267 245** for further information.

**Please Help!** – Our Parish has a great number of volunteers who help to maintain the wellbeing of the Parish. We need **Readers for the Nowra 8am Mass** (training provided to help you get over the nerves), **Cleaners** – to keep our Church in a respectable state; **Lawn Maintenance** is also a necessity. All these positions only require a commitment of once a month on a roster. Please contact **Robbie: 0407 013 551** if you are able to help.

**Feast of Divine Mercy – 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2017**

An invitation to celebrate this Feast Day with a liturgy of adoration & prayer at Ss Peter & Paul's Church, Kiama commencing at 2:00pm followed by light refreshments at 3:30pm. All will be warmly welcomed. Information: **Joan: 4232 2414** or **Ann: 4234 2704.**

**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.

**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.



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**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**



**Mary Help Of Christians Pilgrimage For Life - Fri 26<sup>th</sup> May & Sat 27<sup>th</sup> May.** You are warmly welcome to attend on either day or both days. Benefits: Mass, Prayer, Hymns, Exercise, Blessings, Joy .Contact **Sue Hill:0435 336 195** or **Garbriella Debatista: 4261-2500** (Flyer on Noticeboards)

**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

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