



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 Easter - (Yr A)
23rd April 2017

Sunday Masses:

Nowra: Vigil 6:00pm, 8:00am, 9.30am & 6:00pm
Berry: 8:00am
Bomaderry: 9:30am
Culburra: Vigil 6:00pm
Vincentia: Vigil 6:00pm & 9.30am
Kangaroo Valley: 11.00am

Weekday Masses:

Nowra: Mon 7.00am, Tues/Wed/Thurs 8:15.am
Fri 7:00 & 11.30am (10:30am Holy Hour) Sat 9.00am
Berry: Tuesday 5:30pm
Culburra: Thursday 5:30pm
Vincentia: Mon/Thurs/Fri. 8:00am
Tues/Wed 5:30pm
K' Valley: Mon/Tues/Thur 9:00am Wed 7:00a.m.
Confession / Reconciliation
Nowra: Sat 9:30-10:30am & 5:00- 5:30pm
Culburra: Sat 5.30pm
Vincentia: Sat 5 –5.30pm

We prayerfully remember **Owen Judge, and Marjorie Tipping**. Also the following whose anniversaries occur: **Bishop William Murray, Joseph Trotter, Herbert Crossingham, George Rouen Ray Kennedy, and Jennifer Heffernan**. May they rest in eternal peace.



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



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

Also 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.

Feastdays: Wed 26th. St Mark; Fri 28th: St. Peter Chanel Sat 29th St Catherine of Siena.

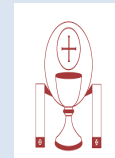


Our Anzac Day Mass at St Michael's – Tues 25th at 8:00am. A special time of prayer for the Fallen, those who are serving, and for peace in a very troubled world. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Holy Spirit Vincentia Parish Auxiliary Meeting - Sat 29th April at 1:00pm. If you have any matters you would like raised at the meeting, please contact Brian McCarron on 0412 465 040

"Mass with a Difference": Sun 6pm April 30th, in the hall with rugs on the floor for children, children's activities, room for wheelchairs, scooters, prams & strollers as well as regular seating, plus a chance to gather afterwards for refreshments. All welcome

Congratulations and our prayerful best wishes to **Fr Michael Dyer** on the first Anniversary of his priestly Ordination 23rd April. May Jesus the Good Shepherd continue to bless him with good health, Christ-like compassion and zeal.



Please Help! – We need **Readers for the Nowra 8am Mass. Cleaners & Lawn Maintenance** to keep our Church and grounds neat & tidy. The positions only require a commitment of once a month on a roster. Please contact **Robbie: 0407 013 551** if you are able to help

Sunday Roast – Sun 23rd April Nth Nowra Tavern, at 12 noon. A special invitation for Bomaderry Parishioners as both Social Groups have combined. Come with a friend or on your own & meet up with us there to enjoy a roast dinner in great company. Cost \$12. All welcome. Call **Kevin 0412 664 213** for further information or to arrange transport if required. See you there.

St Michael's Playgroup will return **Mon May 1st** Babies, toddlers & pre-schoolers & their parent, grandparent, carer are all welcome to enjoy play from 9:00 - 10:30 each Monday, St Michael's school hall foyer. Please bring snacks & drinks for your children.



CWL Nowra - All warmly invited to CWL Mother's Day afternoon tea **Sat 6th May at 2pm** in the St Michaels Parish Hall. Be entertained by a harpist.

Enquiries: **Marie Hanley: 4448 5347**

Culburra Beach - Mary, Help of Christians annual feast day dinner. Sat 27th May at Culburra Beach Bowling Club, 7:30pm. Roast, sweets, coffee/tea & cake. \$20.00 per head. Please see Barbara or Fran at Mass by **20th May** with money and numbers attending.

Social Justice Group: Follow up meeting about our local Correctional Centre & the needs of prisoners & those on release. Join us to hear two more local parishioners; one a parole officer and one working within & beyond prison as a Chaplain's assistant. What response might be called for from our local & Diocesan Church? **Wed 26th Apr 7:30 pm.** Parish Centre

Cursillo Weekend – Thurs 4th-Sun 7th May at Hartzler Park Conference Centre, 25 Eridge Park Rd Burradoo. Cursillo provides an opportunity for Catholics of all ages to get to know self, God & others. Contact Lester Smith: 02 4628 8289 / 0415 562 808 or Margaret French 0417041721, margaretfrench55@hotmail.com

"Corporate bullying must be called for what it is & our society should establish legal protection to the right to religious freedom," Archbishop Porteous wrote in *The Weekend Australian* on Saturday last. "It is one thing for corporations to seek to promote community projects & initiative, it is quite another thing for them to be promoting radical social agendas in such a way that employees are pressured to act against their consciences or publicly stop their involvement in projects outside their work commitments which are an expression of their deeply held religious commitments". Sydney's Archbishop Anthony Fisher, & the Anglican Archbishop of Sydney, Glenn Davies, have both criticised chief executives for pressuring employees to adopt radical social agendas, which are in a number of instances contrary to Christian teaching.



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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**

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