



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.

5th Sunday of Easter - (Yr A)

14th May 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 8:15am
 Fri 7:00 & 11:30am (10:30am Holy Hour) Sat 9:00am
Berry: Tues 5:30pm
Culburra: Thurs 5:30pm
Vincentia: Mon/Thurs/Fri. 8:00am
 Tues/Wed 5:30pm
K' Valley: Mon/Tues/Thur 9:00am Wed 7:00am
S'haven Heads: Fri at 3:30pm

Confession / Reconciliation

Nowra: Sat 9:30-10:30am & 5:00- 5:30pm
Culburra: Sat 5:30pm
Vincentia: Sat 5:00 –5:30pm



We prayerfully remember recently deceased; also the following whose anniversaries occur **Alexandra Moses, Bernard Court, Alan McRae, Frederick Ledinick, Mary and Sam Attard.** May they rest in eternal Peace.

MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

God of love, listen to our prayer,
 God of Mary the mother of Jesus,
 bend down Your ear to this request and bless the mothers of our community.
 Bless them today, now, in this life with security and good health.
 Bless them with love, laughter and pride in their children.
 May they who carried life in their womb be carried one day to Your divine embrace; there for all eternity to rejoice with their family and friends.
 May this blessing and all graces descend upon the mothers of our parish, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on **Sunday May 21st** at St Michael's Nowra Masses at **9:30am & 1:30pm**. We encourage parishioners who usually attend the 9:30am Mass to go to another Mass, as the Confirmation Mass will be congested and the Mass much longer.



Bay & Basin CWL Mothers' Day Raffle

results: 1st Anne Woodwood; 2nd Alice Laps 3rd Les Hopewell. Our Branch would like to thank all who supported our raffle. We would also like to congratulate & thank Nowra Branch for a memorable & musical Mothers' Day afternoon last Saturday.

"On behalf of all the mothers of the Parish, I wish to thank Marie Hanley & all the committee of the CWL Nowra, for the wonderful mothers' day afternoon tea & the delightful entertainment of the harpist, Moria." Parishioner Susan Chan.

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 & numbers attending.

Trivia night at "Bottle Rocket": This Tuesday 16th May, 6:30pm for 7pm start. Tables of 4 or 5, organize your own table or come along & join one. \$5 per person for trivia, winning table takes all! Please contact Fr Duane as soon as possible for booking purposes.

Catechists – For those who missed our meeting, the CatechistNET Magazine can be collected from the Parish Centre.

SVdP Conference Nowra will be recruiting new members soon. Please give this ministry your prayerful consideration. More info later.



Wishing the mothers of the community a joyful, relaxed and blessed Mothers' Day.

Sacred Heart Church Bomaderry Piety Stall – Open after 9:30am Sunday Mass. For all your Confirmation & Communion gifts and cards. Other items by special order from the catalogue.

Contact Suzie Alamango: 4448 6219 / 0419 249 008.

A Magnanimous Response - The Good Friday collection toward the sacred shrines and Christians in the Holy Land totalled; \$4,428.00. Supplemented by a number of very large personal donations Project Compassion for 2017 has reached a record total of \$18,329.00. *A very sincere thank you.*



Rosary at Bomaderry - please join members of the Sacred Heart Church community for the recitation of the Rosary to mark devotion to Mary Help of Christians. **Fri 19th May at 3pm** in Sacred Heart Church. All welcome!

SVdP Piety Stall (Berry St Nowra) for all your religious gifts. Items can also be ordered from the catalogue in store. **Phone: 4421 7395**



A huge thankyou to everyone who responded to the request for volunteers in Nowra, a wonderful response! Another request for someone to arrange flowers in Nowra on the 5th Sunday of the Month, 4 times a year. If you can help contact: **Robbie 0407013551**



"Safe Shelter Shoalhaven": a combined Churches initiative to provide safe emergency overnight shelter for the homeless this winter. This is the last weekend of recruitment of volunteers. If you can help for just one evening a month, this will make a big difference to the homeless of our area this winter. Please contact Fr Duane as soon as possible if you'd like to help or for more info on 44231712 or duane@nowraparish.org.au

Nicole Tamer, a 23 year old from St Nicholas Parish Penrith, is seeking accommodation from 5th June to 15th July. Nicole is studying to be a Radiographer and will be on work placement at Shoalhaven Hospital. Please call the Parish Centre for further details or if you can assist.



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The Catholic Society of the University of Wollongong, welcome Bishop Peter Ingham in the celebration of the Eucharist **May 24th, 12:30 pm**. On campus Building 11, followed by lunch.

RSVP: Maria Pineda, Catholic Chaplin 0402 452 342.

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.

Bomaderry Waratah RSL Day Club –a weekly social program offering social & friendship to older people who are still living in the community but who are unable to attend more active programs. **Please call Rosemary on 4423 3330 for more information.**



The Journey Catholic Radio Program – Airs 14th May. Go to www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can subscribe to weekly shows by email.

Feastdays: Thurs 18th May – St John 1, Pope
Sat 20th May St Bernardine

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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

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