



St Michael's Parish NOWRA – Tel: 4423 1712 E-mail: office@nowraparish.org.au

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The Feast of Corpus Christi (Yr A)

18th June 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 the recently deceased: **David Graham** (Albion Park). Also the following whose anniversaries occur **Anne Monteith, Bert Naylor, Rose Barker, Molly Devereaux, Charles Power, Myrtle Austin, Kevin O'Brien, Margaret Leary and Jennifer Carrodus** may they rest in eternal peace.



Feast of the Sacred Heart - Mass at the Sacred Heart Church Bomaderry on **Fri 23rd June** at 6:30 pm, followed by refreshments. All welcome.

Choir Rehearsal for the Nowra - Bomaderry Choir, **Sun 18th June** following 9:30 Mass at Sacred Heart Church Bomaderry. All are welcome

"Mass at the Farm": The Jim Da Silva Farm provides medium to long term residential care for men at risk of homelessness due to mental health issues. All are welcome to our monthly Mass and lunch, this **Mon 19th June** at 12:30pm (38A Old Bamarang Rd)



The Mass – The Eucharist is described as the Mystery of Faith. This calls for our prayerful reflection, prayerful silence. Whilst it is most commendable and appropriate that parishioners are cordial and express concern for one another's well-being when we assemble for Mass on the Sunday, we do need to balance conversation within the Church with allowing for reverential silence

before and after Mass both for our own prayerful recollection and in consideration for others who desire quiet prayer-time.

The General instruction on the Liturgy states: *"Even before the celebration itself, it is commendable that silence be observed in the Church, in the sacristy, in the vesting room, and in adjacent areas, so that all may dispose themselves to carry out the sacred action in a devout and fitting manner"* (No. 45)

Catechist Retreat 2017: Encountering the Living Jesus - St Mary Star of the Sea, Gerringong. **Fri 30th June**, 10am - 2pm. For bookings please contact Cindy Oliver by 23rd June on 4640 8550 or cindy.oliver@dow.org.au. There is no cost involved. Morning tea is provided. Please bring your own lunch. Transport has been offered to those who wish to attend.

Mother Ruth Scholarship Fund Theatre Gala - includes Champagne on arrival and extended interval supper: **Thurs 24th Aug** at 7.30 for 8pm "Song Contest". An Almost Eurovision Experience. Nowra Players Theatre, Bomaderry. Adults \$35 **Contact Denise Jones 0419 248889 or 4423 2299 (BH).** Tickets need to be paid for to guarantee a seat.

Holy Spirit Vincentia Spring Fair - The first meeting will be held on **Sun 25th June** after the 9.30am Mass. Everyone is welcome. Stall coordinators are invited to attend. Enquiries to **Brian McCarron on 0412 465 040**

Culburra Family Group and any others interested will be attending the NAC's performance of *The Pirates of Penzance* at the SEC **Sat 24th June** at 2 pm. If you wish to come contact Margaret/Paul Casey (44464117) who are organising the tickets. Conc: \$25, Adults: \$30.



Planned Giving: As the end of the financial year is fast approaching it would be greatly appreciated if parishioners are able to bring their Planned Giving contributions up to date. Thank you for your on-going faithful support. We encourage parishioners to do your best to review your contribution in the context of today's costs. Repairs & maintenance for our entire parish is always a major cost. In 2016 it amounted to more than \$63,000. Our parish Insurance due in August will be c\$42,000. So as well as our gratitude to current participants in Planned Giving we are always glad to welcome new subscribers to the Parish Planned Giving Program; simply contact the Parish Office. There has been a substantial decline in Planned Giving over recent years: a number of parishioners have moved elsewhere, some have gone into residential care, & a significant number of very generous parishioners have gone to their eternal reward. Those faithful subscribers are not being replaced. Planned Giving remains the financial 'life-line' of the parish. All parish accounts are externally audited annually. **Please collect your new Planned Giving Envelopes available at all Churches this weekend. (Fr P J Faherty –Parish Priest)**

To mark Refugee Week, the Parish is hosting a Refugee Film Festival Screening of the documentary "Freedom Stories" (rated PG) on **Sat 24th June**, at St Michael's School Hall, 7:30pm-9pm, tea and coffee provided before and after, BYO blankets & cushions if you like, *all welcome to attend.*

The Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF) is coming up in December in Sydney, for youth from year 9 to 30 years old. 12000 young people have already registered! A Nowra Parish Group is forming; all interested are welcome to a meeting at the Parish Centre on **Monday 26th June at 7pm.** For more info contact Shannon 0414521404.

Barefoot Bowls – Tues 20th June, from 4pm at Bomaderry Bowling Club. No need to book, simply meet with the group at the club. Play in bare feet or wear a pair of soft soled shoes and bring \$5 for registration. Contact **Sylvia Palmer; 0437 267 245** for further details.



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St Michael's Nowra has a wonderful team of women who arrange beautiful displays of flowers every week around the Sanctuary. We work on a monthly roster and are currently looking for someone (male or female) who would be interested in looking after the 5th Sunday of the month, occurring 4 times a year. We are not looking for a trained florist, although you would be most welcome, just someone who loves flowers.

Contact Robbie on 0407013551 if interested or for information.

Alpha Wollongong – Young adults 18-35!

Join us at Xavier Centre Wollongong, for the launch on **Sun 18th June** 6:30pm - 8:30pm.

Live music, dinner, great content & opportunity to meet other young Catholics. To register email youth@dow.org.au by 13th June. This is a free event.



Tip Vouchers SVdP – If you have any domestic waste disposal vouchers from Shoalhaven City Council to be used by 31st July which you will not use, **please drop them into any SVdP store or to the Parish Office ASAP.** This will mean that money raised in stores goes to the needy rather than tip fees.

Coffee Morning - 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month, after 9:30am Mass at the Bomaderry Bowling Club. Some Parishioners even stay for lunch. All welcome! Enquiries: **Ivor Davies.**



LIVE Festival 2017 – Fri 15th Sept This year the Festival will be expanded to include an expo space where you can discover the many and different ways that you can live out your faith in our Diocese. If you are interested in volunteering on the day please contact youth@dow.org.au

SmartLoving Marriage Seminar – Warnervale 1st & 2nd July. Whether you have been married for 1 year or 50 years, if you long for deep, satisfying, intimacy with your spouse, this seminar is for you. Presented in a Catholic context. info@smartloving.org or phone: 02 9319 6280 or www.smartloving.org

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



Craft-Tea Characters - Wednesdays 9:30am-12:00pm, in the Parish Centre 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**

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.

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

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Fr Ronan Kilgannon: Kangaroo Valley.

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