



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

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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 7:00am & 11:30am **and** Sat: 9:00am
Berry: Tues: 5:30pm
 Culburra: Thurs 5:30pm
Vincentia: Mon/Thurs/Fri 8:00am, Tues/Wed 5:30pm
Kangaroo Valley: Tues/Wed/Thurs 9:00am
Shoalhaven Heads: on Fridays 3:30pm

Confession -- Reconciliation

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

Feastdays:

Mon 5th Feb - St Agatha (Martyr)
 Tues 6th Feb - St Paul Mikki and companions (Japanese)
 Sat 10th Feb - St Scholastica

Dates to note:

Fri Feb 16th Anointing of the Sick at the 11:30 am Mass
First Youth Group and Youth Mass: 18th Feb



We prayerfully remember the recently deceased; **Frank Regan**. Also those whose anniversaries occur: **Doone Fraser, Betty Colnan, Eithne Wood** and **Ivy Whitefield**. May they rest in eternal peace.

Surrender Lenten Program – Books on sale for \$5.00 each. The program starts the week of **12th February**. Parishioners are encouraged to participate in what promises to be a very worthwhile programme, beautifully compiled by the Diocese
 Contact Bernie – 44212968 or Tina – 44229250.

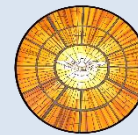


Bishop-elect Brian Mascord will be ordained bishop at 7:00pm on **Thurs 22nd Feb 2018** at the Entertainment Centre in Wollongong (Cnr of Crown and Harbour Streets). It is anticipated that there will be a very large congregation for the ordination. Based on information from the Diocese 30 bishops (including the

Papal Nuncio in Australia,) 100 priests & deacons, parishioners & families from all our parishes & schools, leaders of other churches & faiths, civic leaders of government & business will be in attendance. Bishop Brian's family, friends, and community members will also travel from the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle. As Archbishop, Anthony Fisher OP (Archbishop of Sydney) will be the principal consecrator assisted by Bishop Peter Ingham and Bishop William Wright (Bishop of Newcastle-Maitland).

We encourage parishioners to attend what will be a magnificent, prayerful, and uplifting ceremony. The Coordinating Team is planning that Parish groups will be seated together; so please ring the Parish Office or inscribe your name on the sheets available at the Church doors if you are planning to attend. More detailed information next week

The Episcopal Ordination of Bishop-Elect Brian Mascord - Date: **Thurs 22nd Feb 2018** at 7:00pm -Venue: WIN Entertainment Centre Wollongong.



Barefoot Bowls – **Tues 6th Feb**, from 4:30pm at Bomaderry Bowling Club. Contact **Sylvia Palmer; 0437 267 245** for further details.

St Michael's Playgroup - commences on Mon 12th Feb and runs each Monday during the school term from 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

Children's Liturgy during Sunday 9:30am Mass at St Michael's starts again next weekend for the new term.

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

4th February 2018



Catechists and Helpers - a meeting will be held this Monday 5th Feb 9:30am-10:30am. This is an important meeting for all Catechists & for those considering becoming a Catechist or Classroom Helper. At the meeting dates and information will be shared. Peter Gilmore (CCD W'Gong) will be there to answer questions. Frances Fairs

Catechist Level 1 Course – 9:30-1:30pm on Tues 13th Feb, Mon 19th Feb, Tues 27th Feb, Tues 6th Mar & Mon 12th Mar, in the Parish Centre. Details will be available at the Catechist Meeting Mon 5th Feb.



Let your light Shine! These next two weekends we will be celebrating the gift of the Catechist Ministry in our Parish. Catechists ensure that children hear of God's love for them. Can you give 1 hour of your time per week to teach or help in a classroom? Please speak to Frances Fairs, or another Catechist if you would like to get involved.

New Youth Group! Young people from Year 5 to Year 8 are all welcome to come to our new youth group **Sun 18th Feb**, starting 4pm at St Michael's school hall, leading in to Youth Mass at 6pm at the Church. Invite anyone of that age group that you know!

Holy Spirit Parish Auxiliary- first meeting for 2018 will be on Sat 17th Feb at 1.00pm. All are welcome. If you have any matters you would like raised at the meeting, please call Brian McCarron on 0412 465 040

Jamberoo Lay Carmelites - invite all parishioners to a time of **Reflection Sat 24th Feb**. To gain insights into the person and charisma of the human Jesus, and to reflect on the way Jesus created connections with ordinary people. From 9:30am to 3:00pm at St Matthew's, Jamberoo. RSVP: Mary Clarke: 4232 2970 or email Gabrielle Fogarty gfogarty@exemail.com.au
Morning Prayer – at St Michael's Church will commence on **Tues 6th Feb** at 7:50am.



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Arise Sisterhood National Catholic Women's

Conference 16-18th Mar at Stanwell Tops Helensburgh.
The Sisterhood conference aims to empower women to return to their own parish, community, family and work-place to make a difference. For more information and registration visit www.sisterhood.org.au



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 the door. Give it a

go & then you'll know all you need to do is show.

Enquiries: Louise 0438 218 728



CAtHFAMILY brings you a selection of

activities, prayer rituals, crafts & recipes for free from their website www.cathfamily.org.

Don't miss Catkins, weekly interactive experience with a two-minute animated reflection on the Sunday reading. Families in the Diocese of Wollongong are encouraged to utilise these resources at home to share faith with kids

MRSF Theatre Gala - includes Champagne on arrival and extended interval supper: **Wed 14th Mar**, at 7:30 for 8pm "We Will Rock You" a brilliant musical incorporating the music of Queen. 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.

The Journey Catholic Radio Program – Airs weekly.

Go to www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can subscribe to weekly shows.

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 Preside - Chaplain to Corrective Services

Sisters Beverley Caffrey 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 17