



St Michael's Parish Nowra

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The Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary – Diocesan Patroness 10th June 2018

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 *8:00am*(public holiday)**
Tues/Wed/Thurs 8:15am
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: Tues/Wed/Thurs 9:00am
S'haven Heads: Fridays 3:30pm

Confession / Reconciliation

Nowra: Sat 9:30-10:30am & 5:00- 5:30pm
Culburra: Sat 5:30pm
Vincentia: Sat 5:00-5:30pm
Berry: Tues 6:00pm following Mass

We prayerfully remember: **Jean Griffiths-**
(Requiem Mass at St Michael's Tues 12th at
11am) and **Harold Stafford**, who died this
past week. Also, **John Baumann, Margaret
Casson and Joseph Saliba** whose
anniversaries occur. May they rest in eternal peace.



Today we observe our Diocesan Feastday: Mary is patroness of our Diocese, under the title of Immaculate Heart of Mary. This was the title chosen by Pope John XXIII when on 6th June 1959, he dedicated what was then a new Diocese to Our Lady. The title is a devotional one, which originated in the 17th century. The Sacred Heart, the feasts and the devotions originated at a time when there emerged a 'Spirituality of the Heart'. The Blessed Virgin Mary is an image of the Church - for she too was guided and nourished by faith and hope. And as Mary through prayerful reflection discerned the hand of God in her life, we too are invited to see the action of God in the journey of our diocese. The Immaculate Heart of Mary is the cradle of all Christian meditation on the mysteries and teaching of Christ her Son. She is that woman of discernment, courage and serenity who knew and trusted her son Jesus, He who calmed the troubled waters and the threatening storms.

Culburra Family Group - Our next get together is at Pep & Daphne Palucci on **Sun 17th June** for soup and sweets at 12:00pm. Look forward to seeing you all.

Social Bowls – **Tues 12th June**, from 4:00pm at Bomaderry Bowling Club. Everyone welcome. Join a group of friendly people and enjoy a couple of stress free, fun filled hours. The cost is \$5.00 for bowls' hire and use of bowling green. Please wear flat soled shoes. 'Cheap Tuesday' dinner at the club optional after the game. Contact **Sylvia Palmer; 0437 267 245** for further details.

The Big Swing - Sat July 7th. Gerringong Town Hall. Singing by Katandra Women's Cappella Choir & dancing to the music of the '16 piece' Village Big Band! Tickets \$30. BYO drinks. Tickets are available on TRYBOOKING.COM / VJFK. For more info, email: antraynal@bigpond.com.

ALPHA: Thank you to all those who prepare and serve the meal at Alpha each week! There would be no Alpha without the amazing and generous work of the catering teams! If you are able to help us please contact our Catering Coordinator, Shannon Chittick on 0414521404.

You are invited to hear Bishop Vincent Long, an ardent supporter of Pope Francis, speaking about "The New Dawn of the Church". **Sat 16th June**, 11:00am – 1:00pm at Edmund Rice Retreat & Conference Centre, Mulgoa. Entry by donation. For info contact Dennis Farrar 0425209840.

The organizers of the **Pilgrimage Walk for Life** would like to thank the Culburra Community for their hospitality. Our walk was made easier by your generosity. May God bless you all. Gabriella De Battista and Sue Hill

Youth Group with a Twist: The Year 5 to Year 8 youth group for June will be a Winter Movie Afternoon at St Michael's school hall with pizza and popcorn! **Sun 17th June**, drop off 3:45pm, pick up 5:45pm

Merero Union Church Mini Fete Sat 23rd June - 8:00am 12:00 noon. Please support us in this fund-raising venture. We will be selling white elephants, plants and produce, craft items, books, morning teas and lots more.



Planned Giving – The end of the financial year is approaching. It would be greatly appreciated if parishioners are able to bring their Planned Giving contributions up to date.

New subscribers are certainly needed and much appreciated. Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to subscribe to the Planned Giving Program. Contributions can be made by weekly envelope or monthly by direct debit. As we are all aware recurring costs and the wide range of maintenance within the Parish continue to increase, thus the need for new subscribers Thank you for your support.



Nowra CWL –monthly meeting, **Tues 12th June**, 9:30am morning tea, followed by meeting at 10am in the Parish Centre.



The Annual Mission Appeal will be conducted throughout the Parish on **Sun June 24th** apart from Berry which will be on **Sunday next June 17th**.



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**St Michael's Playgroup – St Michael's
School Hall Mondays 9:00am to
10:30am.** Playgroup is held each
Monday, *during the school term*. Parents,
grandparents, carers, all welcome!
Please bring your child's snack and drink.
Gold coin donation.



**Craft-Tea Characters – St Michael's
Parish Centre Wednesdays 9:30am
to 12:00pm.** There's more to it than
craft you'll see. Like coffee, laughs,
community, conversation and there's
more. If you'll just walk in through the
door. Give it a go and then you'll know, all you need to
do is show. All Welcome. Contact 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.



The Journey Catholic Radio Program – Airls weekly.
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you can subscribe to weekly shows.

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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 Preside: Chaplain to Corrective Services

Sisters Beverley Caffrey and Sue Barker SG

Mrs Frances Fairs: Catechist Coordinator, 4423 1712

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