



St Michael's Parish Nowra

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B
26th August 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 7:00am, 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
Kangaroo Valley: Tues/Wed/Thurs 9:00am
Shoalhaven 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: following Mass on Tuesday c 6:00pm

We prayerfully remember; Godfrey **Pecorella** from Malta (Tony Alamango's cousin) who died this past week. Also **Mark McGee and Frank Rouen** whose anniversaries occur. May they rest in eternal peace.



Marian Devotions – Sat 1st Sept. Mass at 9am, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Reconciliation, Rosary & Benediction at 10:30am. Morning tea follows in the Parish Centre. *All Welcome!*

Social Bowls – Tues 28th Aug, from 4:00pm at Bomaderry Bowling Club... 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**

Sunday Roast – Sun 26th Aug at North Nowra Tavern from 12 noon. *All welcome!* Cost \$12. Call the Parish Office, 4423 1712 for further info.

Holy Spirit Vincentia Spring Fair Meeting - Sun 26th Aug after Mass. Co-Ordinators & interested Parishioners please attend for progress report. Volunteers needed. Phone Judy 44417456

Have you thought about becoming Catholic?

Do you sometimes wonder about the deeper meaning of life? Have you thought about exploring the journey towards Baptism or full membership of the Catholic faith? OR Do you know someone who might be interested? Come along to an **Inquiry evening : Tues 28th Aug 7:00pm**, St Michael's Parish Centre. For more info ring: **4423 1712** or speak to **Fr Duane or Sr Sue.**

Catechist Level 2 Course This **Mon 27th Aug**, we are fortunate to have Fr Mark De Battista back to teach us about, 'The Gospel Narratives: The Christmas Story' and 'The Gospel Narratives: The Easter Story'. Please arrive at the Parish Centre for a 9:30am start. Morning Tea provided.



Craft-Tea-Characters - Wed 5th Sept we're going to celebrate the friendships we have made through our Craft on Wednesdays group. Beginning 9:30am and then sharing a meal together. Please bring a plate to share. Let us know if you can join us. New people are also invited. Info Louise 0438 218 728 / Karen 0408 214 031.

Plenary Council 2020 – Listen To What The Spirit Is Saying - local animators of the Plenary Council 2020 for the Diocese were welcomed by Bishop Brian on Sat 18th Aug. As individuals & parish communities, there are some simple but important things you can do right now to participate. Visit the website www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au, pray for guidance, and subscribe for regular updates.

Fundraising for Kerala Floods – Sun 2nd Sept, following 9:30am Mass in the parish centre. The Indian Community will be providing morning tea and raising money to help rebuild communities, following the recent floods.

St Michael's Parish Dinner – Wed 26th Sept, 6:30pm for 7:00pm. All Parishioners are invited to gather at the Nowra Golf Club to celebrate our Parish Feast Day. Cost \$33pp, includes main meal & dessert. Please advise of any dietary requirements when booking. For catering purposes, payment should be made to the Parish Office, when booking. Bookings and payments need to be finalised by 10th Sept.



Creating a Child-Safe Church from within: A leading German theologian and psychologist will present on Fri 31st Aug (mainly for those working with children) and Sat 1st Sept (open to all) in Campbelltown Catholic Club. This is a combined presentation by the Dioceses of Wollongong and Parramatta. For more info or to register go to www.hanszollner.dow.org.au

Pope Francis has addressed a letter to the people of God in the wake of the child abuse scandal in the globally and historic context. — It is a passionate, grief-sharing and contrite letter. It can be downloaded at dow.sh/francisletter.

Spring Fashion Parade - Sat 1st Sept from 2:00pm. Hosted by CWL Nowra at St Michael's School Hall. Cost :\$8.00, afternoon tea included. "Fashions by Stafford".. More info Parish website.



SVDP Society's VINNIES NSW DROUGHT APPEAL - The SVdP Society NSW has launched its major drought appeal to raise funds for rural communities in need. Donations can be made by calling 131812; at www.vinnies.org.au or local Vinnies Shops.

Wendy Reid has stepped down, as Conference President, having completed her term, and the new Conference President is Sylvia Palmer. We wish Sylvia every success in her new role and sincerely thank Wendy for her dedicated service. Both Wendy & Sylvia show genuine compassion, and concern for those most vulnerable in our community.



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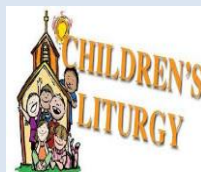
Eileen O'Connor takes next step towards sainthood - Australia is one step closer to getting its next saint with the Vatican advancing the cause for Sydney woman Eileen O'Connor by awarding her the title Servant of God.



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.

Children's Liturgy Sundays

9:30am St Michaels - children aged 4 and up gather together with our volunteer teachers to receive God's Word on their own level, in a fun and interactive way.



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.

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 SG
Mrs Frances Fairs: Catechist Coordinator, 4423 1712
Mrs Liz Nimmo: PT Parish Secretary 4423 1712
Mrs Melissa Mazzo: PT Parish Secretary 4423 1712

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.

CAtHFAMILY brings you a selection of activities, prayer rituals, crafts and recipes for free from their website www.cathfamily.org. Families in the are encouraged to utilise these resources at home to share faith with their kids.

