

St Michael's Parish Nowra

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B 4th November 2018

Incorporates the Church communities of St Michael's - Nowra, St Patrick's - Berry, Sacred Heart - Bomaderry Mary Help of Christians – Culburra, Holy Spirit - Vincentia & St Joseph's – Kangaroo Valley

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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 7:00 & 11:30am – (Holy Hour – 10.30am)

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 9.30a.m.- 10.30.a.m., & 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 the recently deceased; John Clarke (Nowra) and Beverley McKenzie-Law. Also, the Rolet and Lanotte families, Annamma Devasia, Anne Cook-Moore, Margaret, Ken and Robert Johnson, George Sullivan whose anniversaries occur. May they rest in peace.

Over the centuries the Church has made its own the passage from the 2nd. Book of Maccabees:

"It is a holy and a wholesome thought to pray for the dead that they may be released from their sins".

In our Catholic tradition, not only November the 2nd but the entire month has a focus on praying for the Faithful Departed

Feast Days: Fri Nov 9th - The Anniversary of the Dedication of the Basilica of St John Lateran, - The Cathedral for the Diocese of Rome **Sat Nov 10**th - Pope St Leo the Great- 5th century.



St Michael's School Fair – next Sun 11th Nov (10:30am) –

Donations of cakes, plants and books for stalls would be greatly

appreciated. Parishioners are encouraged to support this annual function which is well recognised as integral to St Michael's. The P. & F with the support of parents continue to channel much energy and creativity into this event.

Children's Liturgy starts again for the term this Sunday 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.

Plenary Council 2020: Listening and Dialogue Sessions Nowra – Listen to what the spirit is saying The following sessions have been scheduled in the Parish Centre - contact Bernadette 0402136691

- Sun 4th Nov, following 9:30 Mass
- Mon 5th Nov, 1:30 3:00 pm
- Wed 7th Nov, 1:30 3:00pm

All welcome. Other times and venues coming soon

Save The Date -- Mass with a Difference - Sun 2nd Dec at 6pm. An initiative of the Emmaus team - We are companions on the journey working towards an inclusive community. Mass will be celebrated outdoors, special activities for children, BBQ to follow. Young and old and those in between of all abilities are encouraged to attend. Spread the word among family and friends.

CatholicCare Pastoral Care Volunteers meeting – Mon 5th Nov in the Holy Spirit Hall from 11:00 – 1:00pm. A Pastoral Carer provides spiritual care and companionship to isolated older people in their homes and aged care facilities. Training and ongoing support to volunteers is provided. If you would like to arrange a Pastoral visit or to join our monthly meetings please email Rebecca.Miller@catholiccare.dow.org.au or 0448 930 287. All welcome.

A Prayer and Reflection Time for Parents of First Holy Communicants this

Wednesday at 7 pm at St Michael's. The period goes for approx. 50 minutes. (Parents only). It is a precious time when parents are assisted to take their children to the Lord in prayer.



Dates to Remember

Sun 11th Nov – St Michael's School Fete & Remembrance Day
Sun 25th Nov – First Holy Communion *Two Masses at St Michael's: 9:30am and 12.00pm*Sun 2nd Dec – First Sunday of Advent.
(The Advent Reflection Publication 'Saviour' will be available within a week or two)

Social Bowls – Tues 6th Nov, 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.

Jamberoo Spirituality in the Pub – Mon 12th Nov, 7:30pm. Anglican Priest and theologian Sarah Bachelor & the Rev Neil Millar will facilitate a conversation around *A World Transformed Through Wisdom – The Gift of Years.* Jamberoo Hotel, All Welcome.

Final Youth Group and Youth Mass For 2018 – for Year 5 to Year 8, Sun 18th Nov, starting 4pm at St Michael's school hall, leading into 6pm Youth Mass. Fun, friendships, food, and faith! Thanks to the Parish Youth Team which has done a wonderful job with this youth group this year. This will be a special celebration concluding the first year for this new youth group, as well as a deeper look at the true meaning of Advent and Christmas. Newcomers always welcome!



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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.



Craft-Tea Characters – St Michael's The 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.



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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.

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 Presdee: Chaplain to Corrective

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