



St Michael's Parish Nowra

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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
10th February 2019

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)
Sat: 9:00am
Berry: Tues – 5:30pm **Culburra:** Thurs – 5:30pm
Vincentia: Mon/Thurs/Fri 8:00am, Tues/Wed: 5:30pm
K. 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 Tuesday c 6:00pm

We prayerfully remember the recently deceased:
Herbert Purzer, Rudi Froncek, Robert Kells, Laurie Bismere, Pam Catterall (Fr David Catterall's mother). Also **Les Merriman, Paul Coffey, Regina Werda** and **Noeline Schmal** whose anniversaries occur. May they rest in peace



Eric Genuis Concerts at St Michael's Parish Hall, 21st Feb 7pm, and Holy Spirit, 28th Feb 6:30pm. The 'Opera House' is coming to our parish! Tickets: \$30 adult; \$25 conc; \$70 family (parents/dep child under 18). Online tickets at www.ericgenuistour.com or at the **Parish Office for the Nowra Concert and Holy Spirit for the Vincentia concert.**

Looking ahead

Ash Wednesday March 6th
Easter Sunday 2019: April 21st
Date for Confirmation Sunday May 26th

As you are aware by now Fr Duane who has served our parish for the past 7 years, (his first priestly appointment), has been appointed by the Bishop as Administrator of the West Wollongong Parish. Fr Duane will take up this appointment on March 1st. Ref. to notice below for Sunday 24th.

Save The Date – Sunday 24th February. Mass with a Difference will be held outdoors at 6pm followed by a parish picnic meal and farewell to Fr Duane. More details to follow.

Lenten Groups will commence on 4 March 2019.

We need Group Leaders – anyone interested please contact Tina 4422 9250 or 0448 204 793



The CWL will be holding their first meeting for 2019 **Tues 12th Feb** with morning tea at 9:30am in the Parish Centre. We are looking for new members to join our organisation, with age being no barrier. We hold fashion parades, raffles so we can help St Michael's & St John's schools. We also help many charities and cater for special events like Anzac Day, Mother's Day, St Patrick's Day etc. There is also an annual retreat and special wedding anniversary Mass & lunch. The meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month. If transport is required, please call Gwen on 0413 483 165 or 44212198.

Plenary Council 2020 - Remember that there are three ways to give feedback: 1. Attend a small group discussion, 2. Complete a feedback form, 3. Make a submission on-line.

<http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/have-your-say>



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

Catechist In-service: 'Be the Boss of Your Classroom; The New SRE Guidelines; and Using the Curriculum' will be lead by Peter Gilmore on Tues 19th Feb 9:30am – 1pm in the Parish Centre. These topics count towards the completion of the Level 1 course but all Catechists are encouraged to attend. Catechist Child Protection and Classroom Management Training: will occur **Wed 20th Mar**, 7pm – 9pm, in the Parish Centre. We are all required to complete this training every 3 years to keep up to date. Please consider car-pooling with others from your region



SVdP Drought Appeal in the Wollongong Diocese raised \$121,000 in 2018.. As this money was donated specifically to assist farmers who are suffering hardship because of drought, the Society is now anxious to respond to requests for assistance from farmers in such circumstances. **Farmers need call the Nowra Vinnies Care & Support Centre on 4421 0390 – Mon - Fri from 10am - 11:30am** and we will do all we can to help. Requests will be assessed following the established criteria in regard to this Drought Relief project.

Social Bowls – Tues 12th Feb, from 5:00pm at Bomaderry Bowling Club. 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.

Holy Spirit Catholic Church - call for choir members. If you have an interest in singing and would like to assist at the 9.30am Mass on Sundays, please have a word after Mass or ring Deirdre on 44437825.

Prayer Basket, Nowra Church: The Alpha Team and Nowra Community Group have arranged a Prayer Basket in the side foyer. There are prayer cards where you can write a prayer intention and place it in the basket. An Alpha Team member will take the prayer intentions to the altar during the entrance procession.



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Jamberoo Lay Carmelites - invite you to a time of **Reflection on Sat 2nd Mar** focussing on 'The Healing Power of Encouragement' from 9:30am to 3:00pm at St Matthew's Church, Jamberoo. *Facilitated by Dr Laurie Woods.* Donation of \$20 pp, morning tea & light lunch. RSVP: Mary Clarke 4232 2970 or qfogarty@exemail.com.au

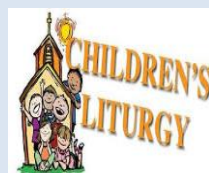
Parish Staff – Parish Office: 4423 1712
Fr Patrick Faherty: Parish Priest, Nowra
Fr Duane Fernandez: Assistant Priest, Nowra
Fr Leo Duck: Vincentia: 4441 5571
Fr Ronan Kilgannon: Kangaroo Valley.
Deacon Peter Presdee: Chaplain to Corrective Services
Sisters Beverley Caffery and Sue Barker SG
Mrs Frances Fairs: Catechist Coordinator 4423 1712
Mrs Liz Nimmo: PT Parish Secretary 4423 1712
Mrs Melissa Mazzo: PT Parish Secretary 4423 1712



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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.



Children's Liturgy 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.



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.

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.