



St Michael's Parish Nowra

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
25th August 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: **Iris Walsh, Maria Maracic, and Sister Alma (Agnes) Pollard**. Also those whose anniversaries occur: **Terry Power, Frank Rouen, Jane Bartolo, Sam Falzon, and Jean Walsh**. May they rest in peace.

Significant Wedding Anniversaries - Mass and Luncheon - Sat 12th Oct. Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am at St Michael's followed by lunch. If you would like to celebrate your significant Anniversary; 25th 40th 50th 60th 65th, please contact the Parish Office.



Feast Days: Tues 27th - St Monica
Wed 28th Aug - St Augustine
Thurs 29th Aug - Martyrdom of St John the Baptist

The 2018/2019 financial year Planned Giving Statements are now available at each Church. There may be some inaccuracies due to human error, and or technical glitches. We are happy to correct any mistakes.



ST MICHAEL'S PARISH DINNER, IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR PARISH FEAST. All Parishioners are invited to gather at the Bomaderry Bowling Club on **Thurs 26th Sept** from 6:30pm for 7:00pm to celebrate our Parish Feast Day. Cost \$35pp, includes a main meal & dessert. For catering purposes, payment should be made to the Parish Office at the time of booking. Bookings & payment need to be finalised by 12th Sept.

All Catechists and Parishioners are welcome to attend a day of learning with Fr Mark DeBattista this **Monday 26th Aug**, 9:30am - 2:30pm in the Parish Centre. The topics for the day will be "Christ: Heart of Catechesis" and "Perseverance on the Front-Line". Morning tea will be provided, but please BYO lunch. For more information, contact Frances Fairs on 44231712

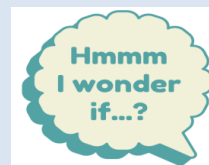


Some dates on the Parish Calendar

Sept 4th (Wed) - 6:00pm Parental 1st Holy Communion Meeting
First Reconciliation : St Michael's
Mon-Wed, Sept 9/10/11- 7:00pm
Sept 24th (Tues) St John's Graduation Mass (6:00pm)
Sept 26th (Thurs) - Parish Dinner (6:30pm)
Oct 12th (Sat) - 10:00am Mass - Significant Wedding Anniversaries
Oct 16th (Sat) - Parish Retreat - Berry
Oct 22nd (Tues) - Mass for the Sick-Anointing (Berry)
Oct 27th (Sun-6:00pm) Mass with a Difference - St Michael's
Nov 10th (Sun) - St Michael's School Fete
Nov 24th - Feast of Christ the King : First Holy Communion

Social Bowls - Tues 27th Aug, from 4:00pm at Bomaderry Bowling Club. Everyone welcome.

Thinking of becoming Catholic?
Do you wonder what it might entail?
OR Do you know someone whom you could invite?
Come along to an Inquiry session
... no commitment needed to attend. **Tuesday evening 17th September 7:30 pm.** St. Michael's Parish Centre
For more information ring: 4423 1712 or speak to one of the Priests or Sr Sue.



ST JOHN'S SENIOR CREATIVE ARTS EVENINGS - Wed 28th Aug HSC Visual Arts Exhibition 4:45 - 5:45pm, HSC Drama Performances 5:45 - 8:00pm
Thurs 12th Sept - Year 11 Visual Arts Exhibition 5:00 - 6:00pm HSC Music Performances 6:00 - 8:00pm.
Open to the public, a light supper will be provided. Gold coin donation.

SUNDAY ROAST - Sun 25th Aug at North Nowra Tavern from 12 noon. Come with a friend or on your own and meet up with fellow Parishioners to enjoy a roast dinner in great company. *All welcome!* Cost \$12.

A Brief Pastoral Message From Bishop Brian Mascord On The Appeal Of Cardinal Pell.
Bishop Brian has written a brief pastoral statement to the people of God in the Diocese of Wollongong in the wake of the Victorian Court of Appeal's decision to dismiss Cardinal Pell's appeal. You can download the statement at dow.sh/MascordPellAppeal; or there are some copies of the statement available at the entrance /door of the church. As Bishop Brian says in the statement, we pray that we truly become the Church that Jesus calls us to be - a Church of humility, compassion and healing, as we continue to strive to build a culture of safety in all our parishes, schools and agencies.



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Parish Staff

Fr Patrick Faherty: Parish Priest – 4423 1712
Fr Leo Mifsud: Assistant Priest Nowra – 4423 1712
Fr Leo Duck: Vincentia: 4441 5571
Fr Ronan Kilgannon: Kangaroo Valley
Deacon Peter Presdee: Chaplain to Corrective Services
Sisters Beverley Caffery and Sue Barker SGS
Mrs Frances Fairs: Catechist Coordinator 44231712
Mrs Michelle Marshall: Parish Secretary (Fri)
Mrs Melissa Mazzo: Parish Secretary (Mon-Thurs)
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Message from Bishop Brian Mascord to the

Diocese - *"I write to you concerning the decision handed down by the Supreme Court of Victoria's Court of Appeal in relation to Cardinal George Pell's conviction on five charges of child sexual abuse. The court rejected the cardinal's appeal, in a 2-1 ruling. During this time, I invite you to join me in praying for our brothers and sisters who have been abused within our Church; that they may find justice and peace. I also ask that you join me in praying for each other in our Catholic community; that we remain united, nurturing of each other, and a positive and supportive force within society. Finally, I pray that we truly become the Church that Jesus calls us to be—a Church of humility, compassion and healing, as we continue to strive to build a culture of safety in all our parishes, schools and agencies".* Yours in Christ,
Bishop Brian Mascord.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN 2020? The National Evangelisation Teams Australia (NET) are currently recruiting. If you are aged between 18--30 you are invited join the NET team, to **Fri 11th Oct** in Wollongong. Call the Wollongong NET Team on 0433 007 282 to book your spot.