



St Michael's Parish Nowra

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4th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

2nd February 2020

The Presentation of the Lord

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 and 9:30am

Kangaroo Valley: 11:00am

Masses during the Week

Nowra: Mon 7.00am, Tues/Wed/Thurs 8:15am

Fri 7:00 & 11:30am, Sat 9:00am

Berry: Tues – 5:30pm

Culburra: Thurs – 5:30pm

Vincentia: Mon/Thurs/Fri 8:00am, Tues/Wed: 5:30pm

Kangaroo Valley: Tues/Wed/Thurs 9:00am

S'have Heads : Fri Feb 7th. 3.30.p.m.

Feastdays:

5th Feb Wed. St Agatha.

6th Thurs St Paul Miki & his companions (Japanese Martyrs) 1593. The group was comprised of three native Jesuits, six foreign Franciscans, and several lay Catholics including some teenagers. Sentenced to die by crucifixion and lancing, they were first marched 600 miles to the city of Nagasaki.

Confession / Reconciliation Nowra:

Sat 9:30am – 10:30am & 5:00- 5:30pm

Berry, following the 5.30pm. Mass on Tuesday

Culburra : Sat 5:30pm Vincentia: Sat 5:00 – 5:30pm



We prayerfully remember the recently deceased **Eileen McNamara** (Sydney- sister of Frank Landers) - We also remember those whose anniversaries occur: **Joseph Shanahan, Jack Keane, Kathleen Cahill.** May they rest in peace.

1st Friday Rosary – Fri 7th Feb, Sacred Heart

Bomaderry at 3pm. Please come and join with fellow parishioners in prayer and fellowship over a cuppa. All welcome.

Catechists and Helpers: Our first meeting will be held this **Mon 3rd February, 9:30am-11am.** This is an important meeting for all Catechists and also for those considering becoming a Catechist or Classroom Helper in 2020. At the meeting, important dates for the year ahead and information from the Diocese will be shared. After the meeting, letters and books will be available for collection.



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Level 1 Course for Catechists will run on **Tues 11th, 18th and 25th Feb** in the Parish Centre commencing at 9:30am and concluding at 2:30pm. The Level 1 course is essential for all those who are new to the ministry and for all those wanting to update their training. Please BYO lunch each Tuesday, morning tea will be provided. Thank you. Frances.

Mass with the Sacrament of Anointing;

Healing Mass Tues 11th Feb 2020 at 11 am at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Vincentia. For physical, emotional and spiritual healing. There will be a morning tea in the hall after the Mass. If you are able to bring a plate of sandwiches, please phone Judy 0422 737 716. Transport is available – call Alan 4441 8855.

No evening Mass at 5.30pm on Tuesday 11 Feb.

Holy Spirit Vincentia Auxiliary meeting after the 9.30am Mass on **Sun 2nd Feb.** All welcome.

Holy Spirit Social and games night - Fri 7th Feb

in the Church Hall commencing 5.30pm onwards. Join in the games and share a meal together. Transport can be arranged if required. RSVP Eileen 0417 119 133.

CWL Bay & Basin Branch

will hold our next meeting on **Thurs 6th Feb** in the Hall with lunch at 12 noon and meeting at 1pm. All welcome. Info: Moya 4443 9698.

The Bushfire Appeal on Sunday last within the parish raised \$11,605. Thank you sincerely for such a magnanimous response

Lenten Groups commence the week of 24th February. We need group leaders, anyone interested please contact Tina 4422 9250, or the Parish Office.

The LMC Soup Kitchen will start again on **Fri 7th Feb** for lunch. We have a few spots available for anyone who would like to join our team. Once a month for about 2-3hrs. For more information please call Shannon Chittick on 0414521404. Thankyou!

Parish Playgroup recommences on **Mon 3rd Feb.** and meets Monday mornings (during the school term) 9:00am – 10:30am in foyer of St Michael's School Hall. Parents, grandparents and carers all welcome! Please bring your child's snacks and drinks and a gold coin donation. **Contact Bernadette Pullen 0402136691** or bpullen@outlook.com.au

MRSF THEATRE GALA - includes Champagne on arrival and extended interval supper: **Thurs 12th March** at 7.30 for 8pm "Mamma Mia" - The Abba Musical. Nowra Players Theatre, Bomaderry. Adults \$40 Contact Denise Jones 0419 248889 or 4423 2299 (BH). Tickets need to be paid for to guarantee a seat.

Blokes' Night Out – Fri 7th Feb, Bomaderry Bowling Club from 6:30pm. Blokes of all ages & interests enjoy a meal together in a relaxed atmosphere, watch sports or play pool. Call **Nigel Porter 0430 365 383** for further details.

Exploring the Psalms: A group of 10 parishioners participated in this 7-week programme last term and found it informative & enriching. It requires about an hour's reading each week before the group session and includes a weekly 20 minutes DVD.

A number of people have expressed interest in an evening timeslot during late February into March. We would need at least eight people to make this a viable alternative to a Lenten Discussion Group.. Ring parish office this week if interested.



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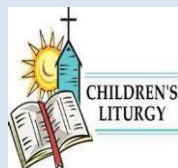
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Children's Liturgy Sundays -

9:30am (during the school term) St Michael's Church - children aged 4 and up gather with our volunteer teachers to receive God's Word in a fun and interactive way.

Parish Staff

Fr Patrick Faherty: Parish Priest – 4423 1712

Fr Leo Mifsud: Assistant Priest Nowra – 4423 1712

Fr Tiziano Torresan: 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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The Relics are expected to visit St Michael's Nowra Monday 23rd March, arriving 4:00pm and departing 8:30pm.