



# St Michael's Parish Nowra

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**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent (Year A)**  
**1 March 2020**



## 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'haven Heads: Fri 3:30pm

## 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: **Noel Reid** ( one of our stalwart parishioners from Currarong for c 40 years),



**Ray Thompson**, (Tamworth, brother of Reg) also Reg's cousin **Rita Batchelor (Port Macquarie)**, and **Dawn Marshall**. Also those whose anniversaries occur: **Mollie Basha, Gwen Cliffe, Dominic Mandile** and **John Gregan**; may they rest in peace.

## First Saturday Marian Devotions - Sat 7<sup>th</sup> March,

Mass at 9am, Morning tea follows in the Parish Centre. *All Welcome!*

**1<sup>st</sup> Friday Rosary - Fri 6<sup>th</sup> March**, Sacred Heart Bomaderry at 3pm. Please come and join with fellow parishioners in prayer and fellowship over a cuppa. All welcome.

The next function for the Culburra Family Group will be attending a performance by the Five Tenors on **Sun 8<sup>th</sup> March** at the Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre. We will meet there at 1.40 pm. If you have not already contacted Paul about going, please ring 44 464 117.

**The relics of Carmelite St Therese of Lisieux**, and those of her parents, canonised in 2015, Ss Louis and Zelig Martin are coming to St Michael's Nowra **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**. Of themselves there is nothing 'magical' about relics. Relics are however the physical remains which connect us with the goodness and holiness of the saints. They remind us of the saints and through the saints move us to live better lives.

The relics will be Liturgically welcomed at 4:00pm. On the hour until 9pm. there will be brief reflective presentations followed by personal prayer time. Following Mass for the occasion at 8.15am. on Tuesday, the relics will depart at 9:30 am for Kiama.



## Open Night St John The Evangelist Catholic High School Nowra - Wed 4<sup>th</sup> March.

Come along and see what St John's has to offer both Junior and future Senior students. Students in Year 5, 6 and 10 are encouraged to attend! Tours available from 5pm to 7:30pm. Choice of 2 information sessions (6pm or 7pm). Phone 4423 1666 with any questions.

[www.nowraparish.org.au](http://www.nowraparish.org.au) for a flyer.



## World Day of Prayer 2020 focusing on Zimbabwe - Fri 6<sup>th</sup> March, 9:30am in

St Michael's Church, hosted by the Nowra Branch of CWL. Everyone is most welcome to attend and to join us for a morning of fellowship with morning tea to follow.

**Berry** World Day of Prayer hosted by the Christian Churches of Berry Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Mar, supper 6pm followed by service at 7pm, Berry Uniting Church. all most welcome.

**Vincentia** World Day of Prayer, hosted by Vincentia Baptist Church (next door to Holy Spirit), Fri 6<sup>th</sup> March at 9:30am.

**CWL Bay & Basin Branch** will hold our next meeting on **Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> March** in the Hall with lunch at 12 noon and meeting at 1pm. All welcome. Info: Moya 4443 9698



Lord be with our new catechists as they prepare to teach your children. Give them the words to speak the name of Jesus with compassion and love. Amen.

**Holy Spirit Vincentia** Auxiliary meeting on **Sun 1<sup>st</sup> March** after the 9.30am Mass from 10.45 to 11.45. All welcome.

Social and games evening to be held in the Church Hall on **Fri 6<sup>th</sup> March** commencing from 5.30pm onwards. Join in the games and share a meal together. Transport can be arranged if required. RSVP Eileen 0417 119 133.

**Blokes' Night Out - Fri 6<sup>th</sup> March**, Bomaderry Bowling Club from 6:30pm. Call **Nigel Porter 0430 365 383** for further details.

**Save the Date Mass with a Difference** will be celebrated on **Sun March 29 at 6pm** in conjunction with the parish Youth Group. This Mass is held outdoors in the grounds of St Michaels Primary School and has a relaxed and informal feel. Everyone is welcome - young and not so young, families, all faiths, all abilities. We are all **Companions on the Journey**.

**A Day with Centring Prayer - 7<sup>th</sup> March**, to consent to the presence and action of the indwelling God is the orientation of heart we cultivate in the practice of centring prayer. It is for beginners as well as those who have practised for some time.

**BOOKINGS:** Phone: 4236 0533 (10.00am - 4.30 pm)  
Email: [cottageretreats@jamberoobbey.org.au](mailto:cottageretreats@jamberoobbey.org.au)

**Interested in joining a Lenten group?** A group will run on Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm in the Parish Centre. **Please contact Nigel Porter if interested.** Each and every day we are called on to become closer to God. This Lenten Season take a step closer to the Lord with prayer.



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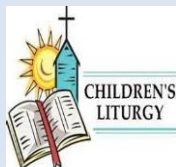
### Parish Playgroup - Monday

mornings (during 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](mailto:bpullen@outlook.com.au)



### 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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