



# St Michael's Parish Nowra

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**23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**8th September 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: **Clara McManus** (Campbelltown) and **John Stalgis**. Also **Tibor Barbay** whose anniversary occurs. May they rest in peace.

## Significant Wedding Anniversaries - Mass

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



Feast day: 14<sup>th</sup> Sept – The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

**The Bishop's Annual Appeal to support retired and sick clergy** (of whom there are 11 at present), **will be held next weekend, 14-15 September** and I thank you in advance for your support of this appeal. This year the appeal will continue to **focus on raising awareness about how we care for the retirement and health needs of our clergy**, and funds raised will be directed towards this. (Bishop Brian)  
**(Loose money in 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection next weekend).**



**ST MICHAEL'S PARISH DINNER, IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR PARISH FEAST.** All Parishioners are invited to gather at the Bomaderry Bowling Club on **Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> 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 12<sup>th</sup> Sept.

As you are aware from the announcement on Sunday last **Fr Leo Duck has been appointed Parish Priest of St Paul's Parish, Albion Park**, effective 5 October. As most parishioners would be aware Fr Leo has ministered in the Vincentia region of the parish for the past 17 years. I want to sincerely acknowledge Fr Leo's genuine zeal, fidelity and commitment to his pastoral ministry over that period. Our prayer is that he will be blessed with a fulfilling and fruitful ministry at St Paul's, Albion Park.

Fr Tiziano Torresan has been appointed Assistant Priest, to St Michael's Parish, residing at Vincentia, effective 5<sup>th</sup> October. Fr Tiziano is a priest from the Diocese of Treviso, Italy, where he worked for 20 years. He has ministered more recently in the Diocese of Broken Bay for six years. (Fr Pat)

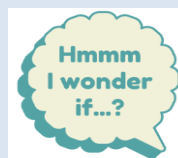
## Thinking of becoming Catholic?

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).

**Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Sept** 7:30 pm, St Michael's Parish Centre.  
For more information ring: 4423 1712 or speak to one of the Priests or Sr Sue



**Social Bowls – Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Sept**, from 4:00pm at Bomaderry Bowling Club. Everyone welcome.  
Contact **Sylvia Palmer; 0437 267 245** for further details.



**Nowra CWL –monthly meeting, Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Sept**, 9:30am morning tea, followed by meeting at 10am in the Parish Centre.

**Holy Spirit Vincentia Morning Tea** - following 9:30am Mass, **Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept.** Farewell and thanks to Fr Leo as he leaves our community after 17 years and moves on to his new parish at Albion Park. Please bring a plate to share.  
Contact: Judy 44417456/Rennie 44415723

**Child Protection Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Sept - Our Parish and the Diocese of Wollongong** are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community. May our message be that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: [www.catholic.org.au/responseandprevention](http://www.catholic.org.au/responseandprevention)

**Exploring the Psalms:** parishioners sometimes express an interest in exploring the riches of the Scriptures. The **Psalms** were Jesus' daily prayer; we also use them in every Mass; they are prayed by priests, Religious and many lay people every day in the Divine Office. *Nowra Community Group* is hoping to offer a series of daytime or evening sessions for **5-6 Mondays starting in early October**. Some reading would be required each week, using a simple resource. Group size limited, so ring the parish office if you would like to be included.

The Parish Pastoral Council newsletter is available on the Parish website [www.nowraparish.org.au](http://www.nowraparish.org.au)

**Plenary Council 2020 (2<sup>nd</sup> Phase)** – Initial gatherings for Discernment and Action Plans will commence **Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Sept** at 7:00pm and **Tues 24<sup>th</sup> Sept** at 9:30am. More information can be found at <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au>  
Summary of each of the six themes can be found on posters in each Church foyer.



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### Some dates on the Parish Calendar

#### First Reconciliation: St Michael's

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

**Farewell Mass/Afternoon Tea for Sr Joan & Sr Margaret (Unanderra Parish).** Parishioners are invited to join us as we say **Thank You** and **Farewell** to **Sr Joan & Sr Margaret** who will be retiring in early October 2019. **Saturday 28th Sept 2pm - Mass** Immaculate Conception Church, Unanderra. Followed by afternoon tea 3pm, St Pius X School Hall. **RSVP (for afternoon tea only): Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Sept** by contacting [unanderra@dow.org.au](mailto:unanderra@dow.org.au) or 4271 1068

**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.

**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)

**Craft-Tea Characters Wednesdays 9:30am to 12:00pm** - There's more to it than craft you'll see; like coffee, laughs, community, conversation and 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. Enquiries: **Louise 0438 218 728**

**Children's Liturgy Sundays** - 9:30am (during the school term) St Michael's Church - 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.

### 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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