



St Michael's Parish NOWRA – Tel: 4423 1712 E-mail: office@nowraparish.org.au

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2nd Sunday of Lent (B)
25th February 2018

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/Thurs 8:15am
Fri 7:00am & 11:30am **and** Sat: 9:00am
Berry: Tues: 5:30pm
Culburra: Thursday – 5:30pm
Vincentia: Mon/Thurs/Fri 8:00am, Tues/Wed 5:30pm
Kangaroo Valley: Tues/Wed/Thurs 9:00am
Shoalhaven Heads: on Fridays 3:30pm

Confession -- Reconciliation

Nowra: Sat 9:30am- 10:30am & 5:00-5:30pm
Culburra: Sat 5:30pm
Vincentia: Sat 5:00pm–5:30pm



We prayerfully remember the recently deceased: **Fr Hugh Dowdell** (brother of Fr Bernie), **Pauline Maze** (Requiem at Berry on Monday 26th- 10am). Also those whose anniversaries occur; **John and Kathleen Doran and the McKenna family, Patricia Conroy, Doris Bennett, Frank Ashby, and Ramon Petilla.** May they rest in eternal peace.



Level 1 course for Catechists will continue this **Tue 27th Feb** in the Parish Centre, 9:30am-12pm. This week topics are Children with Special Needs, Child Development & the Teaching Authority of the Church. This course is essential for all new Catechists & Helpers. All welcome to come and update their knowledge. Morning Tea will be provided.
Catechists: Please return spare workbooks and teaching manuals ASAP. Similarly, let me know if you require more. Frances

Nowra-Bomaderry Choir Rehearsals - for Lent and Easter seasons **Sun 25th Feb & 4th March** after 9.30 Mass at Sacred Heart Church, Bomaderry. New singers welcome.

World Youth Day Panama City 2019 - If you are between the ages of 18 & 35 and would like to join us for WYD 2019, come along to the official launch **Wed 28th Feb** Xavier Centre W'G from 6:00-8:00pm. Exciting itinerary will be formally announced.

The Culburra Community Group would like to invite parishioners to a sausage sizzle after mass, **Sat 3rd Mar.** BYO chair & drinks. Gold coin donation welcome.

World Day of Prayer – March 2018 All God's Creation is Very Good – Please join us at St Patrick's Church on **Fri 2nd March** from 6pm for light tea and service at 7pm. Service is hosted by the Christian Churches of Berry and Fr Ronan will be the guest speaker.

St Andrews Presbyterian Church Nowra will be hosting World Day of Prayer on **Fri 2nd March** at 2:00pm. Parishioners welcome.

St John's Year 7 2019 Enrolment Applications – Open & Info Evening **Mon 26th Feb** 5.00pm, with tours 7.00pm. All enquiries to Mrs Loreena Doumbos; 4423 1666 or info@sjedow.catholic.edu.au. Enrolment packages available following the information session. Applications accepted from 27th Feb until 9th April.

Kindergarten Enrolments 2019 St Michael's - applications for enrolment of children for Kindergarten in 2019 are now being accepted. Enrolment packages are available. Phone: Sue Easter 4421 3630 or info@smndow.catholic.edu.au. Enrolment Interviews with the School Principal will be held **Sat 19th May.** Open Day Children Welcome **Tues 6th March** at 9.30am Open Evening **Tues 6th March** at 6pm

Culburra Family Groups - meet at 10:30 **Tues 27th Feb** for games and lunch at Paul and Marg Casey's home.



CWL Bay & Basin Branch – will hold their next meeting in the hall on **Thurs 1st March.** BYO lunch at 12 noon followed by meeting at 1pm. All Welcome. Contact **Moya 44439698.**



More than four thousand people, together with 34 Bishops and 120 clergy participated in what was a joyful, uplifting, and deeply prayerful Episcopal Ordination of our new **Bishop, Brian Mascord** on Thursday Evening, in Wollongong. May the Lord sustain and guide Bishop Brian as our pastoral leader in the years ahead.

Vincentia Social Group – the fun continues, our next games and social night is **Fri 2nd March** at 6pm. Holy Spirit Parish Hall, Vincentia. All parishioners welcome! Contact Robyn 0488930425 or Nancy 0402626419.

Blokes' Night Out – **Fri 2nd March**, Bomaderry Bowling Club from 6:30pm. Call **Nigel Porter 0430 365 383** for further details.

Bomaderry Lenten Group - Meet Wednesdays at 2:30pm, Sacred Heart Church. Anyone wishing to join, please come along.

1st Friday Rosary - will be held at Sacred Heart Church, Bomaderry **Fri 2nd March** at 3pm. All welcome - please come and join us!

Claim the date: Fri 23rd March – Taize' Evening in the Chapel of St John's High School, 7:30pm.

The Shoalhaven Lydian Singers will be performing Handel's Messiah at St Martin's Ulladulla at 2:30pm **Sat 3rd March** and Ss Peter & Paul Kiama at 2:30pm **Sun 4th March.** Adults \$30, Conc.\$25, Stu \$10 & under 15 yrs. free www.lydiansingers.org.au or phone 0412 219895.

Pastoral Care Volunteers Group Meeting – will be held on **Mon 26th Feb 11am – 1:00pm** at Holy Spirit Parish Hall. Our topic this month is 'Falls Prevention'. Enquiries to Rebecca Miller 0448 930 287 or rebecca.miller@catholiccare.dow.org.au

First Saturday Marian Devotions – **Sat 3rd March,** Mass at 9am, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Reconciliation, Rosary & Benediction at 10:30am. Morning tea follows in the Parish Centre. *All Welcome*



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St Joseph's House of Spirituality & Hospitality

Batehaven – offers a quiet environment for prayer, reflection and hospitality for individuals or small groups. For further information or outline of 2018 program, contact Sr Carmel Drew 4472 4021 or batehavenetreats@sosj.org.au

Project Compassion material is now available at all churches in our parish. We encourage parishioners to support this worthy and well proven aspect of our Lenten observance.

Arise Sisterhood National Catholic Women's Conference - 16-18th Mar at Stanwell Tops Helensburgh. The Sisterhood conference aims to empower women to return to their own parish, community, family and work-place to make a difference. For more information and registration visit www.sisterhood.org.au

Minutes of the Meetings of Holy Spirit Parish Auxiliary - If you would like a copy of the Minutes, please send your email address to sharonfelicityjohnson@gmail.com

Save the Date! – Sacred Heart Church, Bomaderry Autumn BBQ **April 8th**, after 9.30am Mass, in Church grounds.

St Michael's Playgroup - runs each Monday during the school term from 9:00am–10:30am in foyer of St Michael's School Hall. Parents, grandparents, carers, all welcome! Please bring your child's snacks & gold coin donation.



Craft-Tea Characters - Wednesdays 9:30am-12:00pm, in the Parish Centre. There's more to it than craft you'll see; like coffee, laughs, community, conversation & more, if you'll just walk in the door. Give it a go & then you'll know all you need to do is show. **Enquiries: Louise 0438 218 728**



CAtHFAMILY brings you a selection of activities, prayer rituals, crafts & recipes for free from their website www.cathfamily.org.

Don't miss Catkins, weekly interactive experience with a two-minute animated reflection on the Sunday reading. Families in the Diocese of Wollongong are encouraged to utilise these resources at home to share faith with 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.

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 Preside** - Chaplain to Corrective Services
- Sisters Beverley Caffrey and Sue Barker SGS.**
- Mrs Frances Fairs:** Catechist Coordinator, 4423 1712
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