



**St Michael's Parish** NOWRA – Tel: 4423 1712 E-mail: [office@nowraparish.org.au](mailto:office@nowraparish.org.au)

Website: [nowraparish.org.au](http://nowraparish.org.au) Incorporates the Church Communities of St Michael, Nowra; St Patrick, Berry Sacred Heart, Bomaderry; Mary, Help of Christians, Culburra; St Joseph, Kangaroo Valley; Holy Spirit, Vincentia

*May you have a blessed and peaceful  
Easter.*

**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 8:00am, Tues/Wed/Thurs 8:15.am  
Fri 7:00 & 11.30am (10:30am Holy Hour)  
Sat 9.00am  
Berry: Tuesday 5:30pm  
Culburra: Thursday 5:30pm  
Vincentia: Mon/Thurs/Fri. 8:00am Tues/Wed 5:30pm  
K' Valley: Tues/Wed/Thurs 9:00am  
S'haven 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

**The Clergy of the Parish wish all parishioners and visitors, a very blessed, joyful and peaceful Easter! Thank you to all, throughout the parish who have assisted in any way in making our Parish celebrations of Holy Week and Easter so prayerful and reflective.**

Congratulations and a special welcome to Kellie Tolhurst and Sandy Reminis who were received into the Catholic Community of St Michael's, at the Easter Vigil.

**Mass with a Difference will be celebrated on Sat 7th April in St Michael's Hall at 6pm.**

Try "Alpha", Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April, 6:30pm at St Michael's school hall. A friendly meal, video, and chat about the deeper questions of life. Register now on sign up sheets or [nowra.alpha@gmail.com](mailto:nowra.alpha@gmail.com)



**RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES**

Dear friends, through the Paschal Mystery, we have been buried with Christ in Baptism, so that we may walk with him in newness of life. And so, now that we have completed our Lenten observance, let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in His Holy Catholic Church.

**Priest:** Do you reject sin, to live in the freedom of God's children? **All:** I do.

**Priest:** Do you renounce the lure of evil, so that sin may have no mastery over you? **All:** I do.

**Priest:** Do you renounce Satan, the author and prince of sin? **All:** I do.

**Priest:** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth? **All:** I do.

**Priest:** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, was crucified, died and was buried, rose from the dead, and is now seated at the right hand of the Father? **All:** I do.

**Priest:** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting? **All:** I do.

**Priest:** May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and forgiven all our sins, keep us by His grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord, for eternal life.

**All:** Amen.

**Vincentia Social Group** – the fun continues, our next games and social night is Fri 6<sup>th</sup> April from 6pm. Holy Spirit Parish Hall, Vincentia. All welcome! Contact Robyn 0488930425 or Nancy 0402626419.

**The next function for the Culburra Family Group** will be lunch at Myra and Peter Pead's home at Kiama on Friday 6 April at 12.00. Please ring Marg/Paul (44464117) to organise how they will transport you there. We will be leaving at 11.00 am.

**Easter Sunday (B)**

**1<sup>st</sup> April 2018**

**An Extract from the Bishop's Easter Message:** "We each bear the Light of Christ. This Easter, igniting the Paschal Candle, we will gather together and become a beacon of hope for all to see. Let us continue to pray, reflect and encounter the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus and allow this mystery to draw us deeper into the great love that God has for us. He is risen, yes, He is risen indeed! Alleluia, Alleluia. I pray the blessings of the risen Christ be upon you. Grace and peace to you this holy season"-Bishop Brian G Mascord



**Divine Mercy Devotions - Holy Spirit Church, Vincentia Sun April 8<sup>th</sup>.** Devotions will begin at 2:30pm and include with Benediction. Sacrament of Reconciliation available afterwards. Afternoon Tea in the hall. All welcome.

**Bomaderry Autumn BBQ - 8<sup>th</sup> April**, after 9:30am Mass. Gold coin donation would be appreciated. Where possible, bring own chairs.



**1st Friday Rosary** at Sacred Heart Church Bomaderry **Fri 6th April**, at 3pm. All welcome!

**First Saturday Marian Devotions – Sat 7<sup>th</sup> April**, Mass at 9am, St Michael's. Morning tea follows in the Parish Centre. *All Welcome!*

**Barefoot Bowls – Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> April**, from 4:30pm at Bomaderry Bowling Club. Contact **Sylvia Palmer; 0437 267 245** for further details.

**Blokes' Night Out – Fri 6<sup>th</sup> April** 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.

We prayerfully remember the recently deceased: Also, those whose anniversaries occur; **Miriam McCorquodale, Tom Guthrie, deceased members of the Seyffer family and Trudy Chalker.** May they rest in eternal peace.





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**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](http://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

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**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.**

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**Sisters Beverley Caffrey and Sue Barker SGS.**

**Mrs Frances Fairs:** Catechist Coordinator, 4423 1712

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