



Masses for Christmas Day

CHRISTMAS EVE – Vigil - Sat.
S/haven Heads, Culburra, Nowra.....6.00pm
Vincentia.....6.00pm & 10.00pm
Kangaroo Valley.....9.00pm
Berry.....9.30pm

MID-NIGHT MASS – NOWRA

CHRISTMAS DAY

Berry.....8.00am
Bomaderry.....9.30am
Culburra.....8.00am
Nowra.....8.00am & 9.30am
Vincentia.....8.00am & 9.30am

THERE WILL BE NO EVENING MASS IN THE PARISH ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Masses this Week

Nowra: Mon 7am, Tues, Wed, Thurs 8.15 am;
Fri. 7am & 11.30am. Sat. 9am.

Holy Hour: Fri. 10.30am **Rosary:** Tues. 10am

Morning Prayer: Wed. 7.50am

Berry....Tues 5.30.p.m. **Bomaderry:** Fri 5.45 pm

Culburra.....Thurs 5.30 pm

VincentiaMon, Thurs, Fri – 8.00am;
Tues, Wed – 5.30pm

Kangaroo Valley: Mon, Tues, Thurs.
(Divine Office 10.40am) Wed. 6.20am.

Confession/Reconciliation:

Nowra: Sat 11.30 - 12.30pm. (no a/noon confession)

Culburra: Sat. 5.00pm. **Bomaderry:** Fri. 5.15pm.

Berry: Tues. 6.00pm

Vincentia: Sat. 17th 11.00-12.00., 4.30-5.30pm.
Sat. 24th. 11.00 – 12.00



We prayerfully remember those who died this week; **Keith Phillips**, and **Annie Kennedy** S'haven Heads (100 yrs). Also **Patria & Marieta Arevalo** and all whose anniversaries occur. - **May they rest in eternal peace.**



2ND RITE OF RECONCILIATION at Nowra – 7.30.p.m. Dec. 21st Wed. This is a most appropriate parish preparation for the Feast of Christmas. With the presence of 5 priests for individual confession the entire Liturgy is approx. one hour. Parishioners are urged to

avail of the opportunity. It is a sacramental way of responding to the Advent Message of John the Baptist **“Prepare the Way of the Lord.”** By availing of this opportunity parishioners are allowing the priests some more time to visit the aged and sick in preparation for Christmas

COPIES OF THE PARISH CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER are available at all Mass centres this week end. A wonderful way to catch up on the various activities that have occurred during the last 6 months. Very good reading. Once again our sincere thanks to Sue Delaney for compiling the Newsletter. We would appreciate if parishioners might leaving some copies at local Motels and Caravan Parks. Visitors are grateful for Mass time information.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE AN ANGEL?

All school age children wishing to participate as angels (no tinsel/wings) or shepherds in the Gospel of the Vigil Mass at St Michael's, Christmas Eve – 6.00pm are asked to attend a practice on Tues. 20th Dec. (in the hall) from 9 am to 10.30am. (Parents **MUST** stay with the children)



HELP NEEDED! Two parishioners would like transport to Mass on a Sun., preferably 8am, but will fit in to any Mass time. Do you travel through the southern end of Kinghorn St. adjacent to the Cemetery? If you are able to assist would you please ring Josephine on 4421 4815.



CAR FOR SALE Richard Healey needs to sell his White Mitsubishi Magna Solara sedan (8/1998). V6 3L, Auto, Air con., cruise control, 12 stacker CD. Excellent condition, 142,000km, good fuel economy (9.8L/100km). AGV78D \$6990.00 Contact Richard for more information.

A COMBINED CHURCH CAROL SERVICE will be held on Sun 18 Dec. in the car park of St John's Anglican Church, Culburra at 7pm. All welcome. There will be supper at the conclusion.



The ADVENT refrain is sung during the lighting of the Advent Candle. No 272

COME LORD JESUS – an Advent Hymn

Come Lord Jesus, Come Lord Jesus,
Come Lord Jesus, Come and be born in our hearts.

Come, O Prince of Peace.(3)..Come and be born in our hearts

Our hearts are open,(3) “ “ “

Come, Emmanuel....(3) “ “ “

Hearing Aid Loops have now been installed in all **Churches in the parish.** Parishioners with hearing Aids will now need to adjust their Aids to benefit from the connectors (T).

Parishioners are advised that the **RESOURCE CENTRE AT BELLAMBI** will be closed from 23 Dec & will re-open on Mon 16 Jan, 2006. All loans may be returned to the reception on the ground floor of the Catholic Church Office building, Market St., W'gong from Tues 3 Jan during business hours.

THE UNITING CHURCH, NOWRA will be holding an Art Exhibition **“What happened to the Baby”** by Christian artists the Mosaic Group, from Mon 19 to Fri 23 Dec



“St. Francis of Assisi was so overwhelmed by the mystery of the Incarnation, that he wanted to present it again in Greccio with the living manger, thus becoming the initiator of a long popular tradition which still keeps its value for evangelisation today. The crib can help us, in fact, to understand the secret of the true Christmas, because it speaks of humility and the merciful goodness of Christ, who "though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor..".Pope Benedict– Dec. 10th.