



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

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Sunday Masses:

NOWRA.....6pm Vigil; 8am, 9.30am & 6pm
BERRY 8.00am
BOMADERRY 9.30am
CULBURRA 6pm Vigil
VINCENTIA 6pm Vigil & 9.30am
KANGAROO VALLEY 11.00am

Masses during the Week:

Nowra:..... Mon 7.00am; Tues/Wed/Thurs 8.15am
 Friday 7.00am and 11.30am; Sat 9.00am
Morning Prayer: Wed 7.50am;..... **Holy Hour:** Fri 10.30am
Berry: Tues 5.30pm...**Culburra:**..... Thurs 5.30pm
Vincentia: Mon/Thurs/Fri 8.00am... Tues/Wed 5.30pm
Kangaroo Valley:..... Mon/Tues/Thurs/Sat 8.00am
 Wed 6.15am. No Mass on Fridays.

Friday Masses resume at S'haven Heads next Friday Feb. 3rd 2012

Confession ~ Reconciliation

Nowra:.....Saturday: 9.30. - 10.30am. &.5.00- 5.30pm
Culburra:..... Saturday 5.30pm
Berry: Tuesday 6.00pm
Kangaroo Valley: Saturday 4.30–5pm
Vincentia: Saturday 5.00 – 5.30pm

We prayerfully remember the recently deceased, **Earl Neal** and **Stanley Bright**. Also **Mary Brady**, **Joe Shanahan** and **Eithne Wood**, whose anniversaries occur. *May they rest in eternal peace.*



Feastdays:

Tues 31 Jan; **St John Bosco**, priest
 Thurs 2 Feb, **The Presentation of the Lord**

Ministry Training. Training for the ministries of *Acolyte*, *Adult Server* and *Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion* **Sat 10 March, 10.00am-2.30pm** at St Michael's Parish Hall. This training is intended for all who are interested in taking up a liturgical ministry for the first time, as well as those current ministers looking to renew their commitment. *Contact the parish office to register*, by Tues, 7 Feb.

I encourage Acolytes and all who are associated with Holy Communion ministries to attend the above mentioned Formation Session. *Fr Pat*



'Living Faith' Lenten Program 2012: Our diocesan Lenten Program will begin the week of

Monday 20 Feb. Lists for the groups of Nowra/Bomaderry are in the church foyers. Please write your name and phone number on the group you wish to attend. **Booklets are now available for sale at \$5.00 each.** You are encouraged to buy your copy early to assist with re-ordering if necessary. Any enquiries to Francene 4421 5962, Tina 4422 9250 or Bernie 4421 2968.

Contacts for other areas:

Berry/Shoalhaven Heads: Christine Da Silva 4464 1035 or Katherine Brandon 4464 1897.
Callala: Joyce Buttel 4446 5569
Culburra Beach: Harry Ray 4447 2941
Curarong: Connie Heap 4448 3157
Vincentia/Bay & Basin: Fr Leo 4441 5571

Catechist Corner: Welcome back to another busy and we hope fruitful year. Our first meeting for the year will be **Mon 6 Feb**, 9.30–11.00am at St Michael's. Co-ordinators, please contact your school/s re starting dates and times of classes. New Catechists are needed at Judith Drive for Kinder – Thurs, 9am; and at Cambewarra K – 2 on Thursdays, 12.40–1.10pm. Ring Lyn 4423 1009 for further info. *Please return any unused resources*

First Saturday Marian Devotions 4 Feb at 9am followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Reconciliation, Rosary and Benediction at 10.30am. Morning tea afterwards at the Parish Centre. Everyone is most welcome.



CatholicCare Program: Grassroots Parenting: A series of eight separate modules looking at parenting children from the ages of 0 to 12, parents can select which of the eight modules they would like to attend. 8 Tues mornings starting **31 Jan**, 10am – 12.30pm. **Fee:** \$10/session. 55 Worrigeer St, Nowra. For info go to www.catholiccare.woll.catholic.org.au or 4421 8248 to book

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

29 January 2012



A very warm welcome to Sister Beverley Caffery and Sister Sue Barker who have become part of the Nowra Good Samaritan community. We hope that their time here will be fulfilling and pastorally rewarding.



Shoalhaven Crossroads is a Christian Fellowship for people with a disability.

The next meeting, is Fri 10 Feb, 7:15–9:15 pm Nowra Baptist Church, Old Southern Rd, South Nowra.

The Catholic Church in the Shoalhaven 1863- 2013.

The Australian Catholic Directory tells us that the Parochial district of the Shoalhaven (now the Parish of Nowra) was established in 1863. This means that 2013 will mark our 150th anniversary-Sesquicentenary, which is a very significant period in Australian Church history. The celebration of such an occasion would have a number of aspects: i.e. Liturgical, historical, and social... A meeting will be held at the Parish Centre on February 15th at 7.00.p.m. to discuss how we might approach celebrating such an occasion. All interested parishioners are very welcome.

Initiation and the Liturgies of Lent and Easter – RCIA & Liturgy Team Workshop. Thurs, 9 Feb, 10.30–3.00pm, Meeting Room, Xavier Centre, 2 Bond St, Bellambi.

Conducted by Paul Mason, Diocesan Coordinator of Liturgy. Each year the liturgies of Lent and Easter mark important stages in the Church's mission of evangelisation. For those adults journeying on the initiation process, these liturgies are key milestones in their personal lives. This workshop will explore the power of these liturgies to effectively engage the whole community in the process of initiating new members into the Church. **RSVP essential** to Helen Bennett on 4253 0934 or email helen.bennett@woll.catholic.org.au by **Fri, 3 Feb**. Morning tea provided. BYO lunch.

Bay & Basin CWL - next meeting will be held in the Holy Spirit Hall, Thursday 2 Feb. BYO lunch at midday and meeting at 1pm. All welcome. Phone Eileen: 4443 8088.



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Triathlon Raffle Tickets on sale at Vincentia Church.

1st Prize: Toyota Yaris. Tickets \$2 each; \$5 for 3, & \$34 for book of 20. Proceeds help repay the loan for Vincentia Hall.

Interested In Adult Faith Education? Wollongong Diocese offers a number of audited & non-audited pathways for adult faith including Certificate III Theology (Beginning Theology) and Foundations (follow-up to Beginning Theology). These courses are designed for adults who have no previous experience of formal theological studies; are seeking a systematic introduction to theology in the Catholic tradition and seek formal (nationally recognised) qualifications in theology. They are intended to strengthen the theological foundations for life and ministry. You don't have to be engaged in active ministry to enrol. Both day and evening options are available. For more info please **contact** Jane Edwards on 4253 0900 or email jane.edwards@woll.catholic.org.au. You can acquire an information pack &/or book into an information session. Sessions: **Tues, 14 Feb**, 3.30pm or 7.30pm, Catholic Church Offices, 86-88 Market St, **W'gong** & **Wed 15 Feb**, 3.30pm or 7.30pm Micah House, 35A Cordeaux Street, **Campbelltown**.

Kimberley catholic volunteer service. urgently wanted: volunteer workers. The Diocese of Broome, WA, requires volunteers to assist with the work of the local Church on Aboriginal Missions. There are various important voluntary tasks: administration, building maintenance, gardening, cooking and cleaning. Placements are preferred for a period of six months to two years, with the possibility of an extension. **For further details and an application form please contact** Jo and Kevin Bell on 08 9192 1060 or 0427 433 244., email volunteers@broome-diocese.org or mail PO Box 76 BROOME WA 6725.