

# 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

## 31st January/ 1st February 2026



### Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13

The prophet Zephaniah spoke to a people beaten down by their enemies. But he did not call them to battle. He called them to repentance and renewal. He exhorted them to seek justice and to seek humility. The future belonged to those who observed the laws of God by doing justice and walking humbly.

### 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

The early church was not filled with well-born and influential people. Not many of them were wise or powerful as humankind counts wisdom and power. But God chose the lowborn and despised, to drive home the point that all human good comes from God. God chose those who count for nothing to show the world the things that really count.

### Matthew 5:1-12

Isaiah 58:7-10  
1 Corinthians 2:1-5  
Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus taught a revolutionary faith. He found strength in weakness, wealth in poverty, joy in sorrow, greatness in humility. His faith was strong enough to turn any situation into an experience of blessedness. His faith was deep enough to find something good in every circumstance.

**Next Week:**  
**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A**

## Universal Prayers

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- 1 May the poor be given the riches of contentment. Let us pray to the Lord.
- 2 May the sorrowful be given the joy of comfort. Let us pray to the Lord.
- 3 May the lowly be given the honours of loyalty. Let us pray to the Lord.
- 4 May the peace makers be given the prize of victory. Let us pray to the Lord.
- 5 May the persecuted be given the seal of holiness. Let us pray to the Lord.
- 6 May the merciful be given the gift of forgiveness. Let us pray to the Lord.

## Weekday Liturgical Schedule

Tuesday	Mass	8:00am
Wednesday	Mass	8:00am
Thursday	Mass	8:00am
Friday	Mass	8:00am

## Confessions

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February, 11:00am

## Diary Dates

Choir Practice	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	7:00pm	STA Church
Woman's Faith Circle	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> February	9:30am	Parish Hall
MMP Cenacle (Rosary & Reading)	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	5:00pm	Chapel
Garden Group	Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	10:00am	STA Church
Men's Group	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	7:00pm	Parish Hall
Morning Tea	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	10:15am	Parish Hall
CWL Meeting	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	10:30am	Parish Hall
Scripture Study	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	6:00pm	Parish Hall
Conversations	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	10:30am	Parish Hall
Lenten Reflection Day	Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	9:30am- 12:30pm	Parish Hall
Solemn Vespers & Benedictions	Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	4:00pm	STA Church

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## Corpus Christi Parish Lenten Reflection Day

Date: 28 February 2026

Venue: The Hermitage, Old South Rd, Mittagong

Time: Arrival 9:00am for a 9:20am start Depart 12:30pm

Facilitator: Fr Sean Cullen

Cost: \$10.00 (Please pay at the Parish Office or place money in an envelope clearly marked with your name in the offertory basket at Mass)

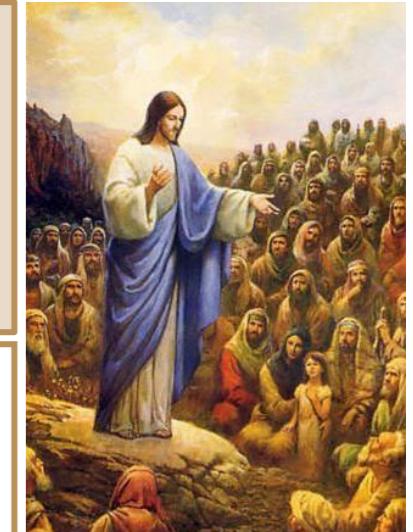
RSVP: 18<sup>th</sup> February to the Parish Office with Dietary Requirements for Morning Tea

email: [Bowral@dow.org.au](mailto:Bowral@dow.org.au) or Phone: 4861 1902

## Men's Group

The first meeting of the men's group will be held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm in the parish hall. The purpose of the men's group is to explore issues that shape how men understand & live their faith, and to engage in some fraternity. Topic for this month is "Humour & religion."

Men's group is held on the second Wednesday of each month.



## Catholic Grandparents Association

Our Parish Catholic Grandparent's Association gatherings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month, with the next one on Monday, 9th February at 10.30 a.m. at Geraldine and John's home in Mittagong. Anyone who would like to join us for 1 hr, starting with a cuppa is very welcome.

Enquiries John and Geraldine Dayball:  
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email: [geraldinedayball@hotmail.com](mailto:geraldinedayball@hotmail.com)

**Children's Liturgy**  
will commence for Term 1 on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February at the 9:30 am Mass. All children welcome!



## Conversations

The next Conversations will be held on 26<sup>th</sup> February in the Parish Hall at 10:30am, with Guest Speaker Dame Catherine McGrath,

## Implementing Cultural Change – Formation Pathway

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Want to see real change in parish life — not just good intentions?

Lasting change doesn't begin with more programs or better announcements.

It begins with culture.

Join us for a practical formation evening on Implementing Cultural Change, where we'll explore: why parish culture forms the way it does, how it shapes what's possible, and how small, intentional leadership actions can create change that lasts.

This is a hands-on, hopeful formation for anyone who cares about the future of parish life.

Register: <http://dow.sh/fpfeb2026>

### CAMPBELLTOWN

Tuesday 3 February, 7-9pm

### WOLLONGONG & ZOOM

Wednesday 4 February, 7-9pm