SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

HOLY REDEEMER + ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND
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Ordinary Time Week 28 (B)

From Father Anthony...

The day after torrential rains it was light and breezy. The Great Spire towered opposite whitewashed in sunlight. Peregrines pierced the air with haunting cries; Gangsters circled. I stood outside chatting. High above the Jumps plane droned and glinted. A tiny speck fell from it and plummeted; down and down it fell. I caught my breath. A plume arose from the speck and mushroomed into a great canopy. I breathed again. With grace and elegance, the parachutist spiralled below the tree line. There must be a moment of complete confidence and sheer trust... as that handle is pulled!

Spiritually, we also move towards a moment of complete confidence and sheer trust... in God. There is 'work' to be done... study, prayer, development of character. It involves transcending the little 'me'. To have God I must lose 'me'. Yet, whatever development we put ourselves through, however much effort we expend, whatever we achieve... these can also become our riches! i.e. the sense that 'I did it', 'I achieved it'...'me'! But, who gave us the ability to achieve in the first place? We come to a moment when it dawns how little we can actually do; that it is not what we do but what God does in us. The focus from 'I did it' to 'you did it in me' is a turning point in spirituality. It takes real confidence and great trust in God.

Until this point the underlying sense of our own achievement (these I have kept since my youth) leaves us unfulfilled; we go away dejected like the rich young man. Getting beyond 'self' is no mean feat. Jesus says it is impossible for us... but, with God, nothing is impossible. That is what we have to have confidence and trust in. Not 'me'... Him. Our focus has to remain not on what we do but on trusting that what we do is done by God in us. A Jewish midrash records: "The Holy One said, open for me a door as big as a needle's eye and I will open for you a door through which may enter tents (camels)"!

The key to opening this spiritual door is recognising and returning God's love for us (He looked at him and loved him). The rich young man was still too focussed on himself: and went away dejected. If only he had returned that look of Love with love!



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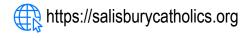
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NEW TO THE PARISH? We wish you a very warm welcome. Please register online at: https://salisburycatholics.org click "Registration/update"

REGISTERED PARISHIONERS TO DATE: 2813







St Gregory's Parish Pastoral Council

The inaugural meeting of a new pastoral council for St Gregory's took place this week. At the first meeting, the draft constitution document was accepted and Chris Huthwaite was installed as the Chair. All meetings of this council will be open to everyone who wishes to attend and minutes will be made available on our website or as printed copies for those with no access to the internet. To view the constitution document and to see the full list of PPC members **click** here or ring the parish office. In time, there will be more information and photographs of each member on the website so that you can approach members in person with your feedback and/or suggestions. Plans are currently being formulated to do the same across all three of our churches. Thank you to everyone who attended.

Procession to receive Holy Communion at Mass - from this weekend will no longer be 'stewarded' at Communion but we now have well-established conventions of the order in which we process forward. The hope is for a natural but orderly and reverent movement so please continue to follow the conventions already established at each of our churches. Thank you to our stewards who have helped us to develop this more dignified approach to the Blessed Sacrament.

Prisoners' Sunday - this Sunday 10 October is the national day of prayer and action for prisoners and their dependants as marked by the Catholic Church. 'Pact' is the major Catholic charity for support of prisoners and their families and they depend on support of individuals and parishes to continue to deliver their services. For more on 'Prisoners Sunday' and 'Pact' please click on the image in the 'Top News' box or click here. Envelopes for donations will be available in all our churches this weekend.

Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) Christmas Cards. These are all very sensibly priced in packs of 10, 24 & 25 and all feature the true message of Christmas. Please support the mission of our Church in countries and places where Christians are persecuted. Cards are available (cash or cheque only) after the 9am & 11am Sunday Masses at St Osmund for the next two weeks or from the Parish Office during the week Monday-Friday 9 am-5 pm.

Please Support - Deacon John Proctor who is sleeping out at the Tower of London on Friday 22 October in support of Homeless Veterans in Alabaré. You can donate at JustGiving.com/John-proctor10 or use the sponsorship form in the church porch.

World Mission Sunday 24 October - World Mission Sunday is celebrated in every Catholic community in the world. Every parish, school and community is invited to join this special event, and every penny, pound and prayer you give to Missio helps missionaries everywhere. We have a video, a message from Pope Francis and activity sheets for children on each Sunday in October. Just click on the image in the 'Top News' box or click here.

Treasure Hunt - Saturday 23 October. Organised by the Salisbury Catenians and open to all parishioners. For the full poster go to our 'Blog' on our website or click here. For registration please contact David Morehead dmorehead@btinternet.com or 07598 269709.

St Paul One-Year Sunday Missals. We will shortly be making an order for these annual missals. Please inform the Parish Office by email office@salisburycatholics.org if you would like one at a cost of £7.

Salisbury Food Bank. During October St Osmund is collecting toiletries: shampoo, deodorant, shaving gel and toothpaste. Please place contributions in the box provided. Thank you.

Tea & Coffee after the 9am Masses at St Osmund and St Gregory. If you would like to help in serving tea & coffee please contact for St Osmund, Bridget Watson on 01722 697722 or by email mbbkwatson@hotmail.com and for St Gregory, Margaret Godwin 01722 501854 or by email godw5hme@virginmedia.com.

MEETINGS ON ZOOM Please use the contacts below if you would like to join (all are welcome).

Tuesdays at 7.30 pm Weekly Alabaré Christian Community Deacon John Proctor john@alabare.org Wednesday 13 October 2 pm Rosary Group House Mass Josephine on 01722 328410 michael.rennie@velaplan.co.uk

Downton Service of the Word Thursdays at 6:30 pm

SAINT TERESA OF AVILA - 15 OCTOBER

St Teresa of Jesus was born on March 28, 1515, in Avila, Spain. Her mother died when she was 14 and she entered the Carmelite Monastery in Avila in 1535. Her life as a Carmelite, though far removed from the mainstream of modern culture, still speaks powerfully to us today. For the story of Saint Teresa please click on the image in the 'Top News' box or click here.

Baptism Preparation If you have a child that you would like to be baptised in one of our churches, you will need to attend a parents' preparation course. For baptisms at St Osmund or Holy Redeemer please contact Deacon John Proctor on 07802 631968 or email: john.proctor@cliftondiocese.com and at St Gregory contact Deacon Stephen Godwin by email stephen.godwin@cliftondiocese.com

First Holy Communion 2021 All meetings and liturgies are at St Gregory, can parents please park in St Gregory's car park where possible. This Saturday 9 October at 2pm, the children will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at their First Confessions. Please pray for all the candidates as they prepare for this important step. Programme details can be found by clicking on the 'First Holy Communion 2021' button on our Home page or click here

MASS in Salisbury Cathedral - a group from Westminster Catholic Cathedral are visiting Salisbury and St Osmund's next Wednesday 13 October with their priest, Fr John Scott and have been granted permission to celebrate a Catholic Mass in the Trinity Chapel at 11 am. The group have asked us to inform parishioners of this Mass and to welcome you to join with them for this Mass.

Songs of Praise at Salisbury Cathedral - you are also warmly invited to a special 'Songs of Praise' recording session in Salisbury Cathedral on the 23 October from 10.30am to 1.30pm. All are welcome and they are especially keen for enthusiastic singers to join and lead the viewers at home in the singing.

An invitation to the Nicodemus Group - There is an invitation to anyone who wishes to come together over a simple meal. Whether you are new to the Church, raised as a Catholic or are new to Christianity, you have a place at the table. An introductory session is this Wednesday 13 October at 7 pm in St Osmund's Parish Rooms. Please contact us to register to attend: nicodemus@salisburycatholics.org. Click the 'Explore Your Faith' item on our main menu or click here for the programme dates for the rest of the year.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October - Pope Francis has released his prayer intention for the month of October, calling on everyone to pray that all Christians might be missionary disciples and open to the demands of the Church's evangelising mission. For the video just click on the image in the 'Top News' box or click here.

Dare to Dream 2021 - The reflection for the week commencing 10 October is by Canon Gregory Grant who was a curate at St Osmund's many years ago. Click on the 'Dare To Dream' button on our homepage or <u>click here</u>.

The God Who Speaks. Bishop Jim Golka's reflection on the Gospel where the question is 'What must I do to inherit eternal life?' and the question for us is 'What obstacles, possessions, or habits are keeping us from following God?' To watch and listen click here or click on 'The God Who Speaks' button on our homepage.

Sunday Homily by Bishop Robert Barron. "Friends, in our first reading today, Solomon finds that all the power and wealth of the world are nothing compared to the gift of wisdom. Christ teaches us that to use the gifts of the world properly". To listen, click on the 'Sunday Homily' button on our homepage or <u>click here</u>.

Children's Liturgy from Catholic Kids Media: What must I do to inherit eternal life? A fun Catholic reflection for kids based on the readings for 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle B. From Redemptorist Publications there is a reflection and a final prayer. Click on 'Church TV' then select 'Children's Liturgy' or click here.

LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year B-1 Week 28, Psalter 4

Saturday 9 October SAINT JOHN HENRY NEWMAN

10:00 St Osmund MASS Joyce Sugg & Maggie Pringle RIP

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

SUNDAY 10 October

09:00 St Gregory MASS

09:00 St Osmund MASS Padraic Kinsella RIP

11:00 St Osmund MASS Elizabeth Kane & Patricia Knott RIP

16:00 St Osmund Polish Mass

12:15 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

18:00 St Osmund MASS John Paul Pearson RIP & Family

Monday 11 October

10:00 St Osmund MASS Thanksgiving - Rani Maria Jose

Tuesday 12 October

10:00 St Osmund MASS Ian RIP

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:00 St Osmund Benediction

Wednesday 13 October

10:00 Holy Redeemer MASS Julia's Intentions

19:00 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

Thursday 14 October

10:00 St Osmund MASS Rani Jose Vazhappilly RIP

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:00 St Osmund Benediction

Friday 15 October Saint Teresa of Jesus (of Avila)

10:00 St Gregory MASS Poor Souls in Purgatory

19:00 St Osmund MASS Simon Thornton RIP

Saturday 16 October The Anniversary of the Dedication of

Parish Churches

10:00 St Osmund MASS David Palmer RIP

15:00 Holy Redeemer Syro Malabar Rite

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS John Hickey RIP

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St Gregory Friday after 10:00 Mass:
St Osmund Saturday 10:30 - 11:00
Holy Redeemer Saturday 17:30 until Mass

PRAYER & SCRIPTURE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

Evangelisation: Missionary Disciples

We pray that every baptised person may be engaged in evangelisation and available to the mission by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel. Click here

CLIFTON DIOCESE

We pray this week for The Immaculate Conception (Stroud with Brownshill, Painswick and More Hall)

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

All those who have died recently: Joan Farquharson, Simon Thornton, David Kennedy, Jacqueline Thompson (nee Mogg), Margaret (Peggy) Lever and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

Wisdom 7:7-11

Psalm 89

Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.

Hebrews 4:12-13

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father,

Lord of heaven and earth,

for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.

Alleluia!

Mark 10:17-30

SACRAMENTS

MARRIAGES Please speak to the priest for guidance.

FUNERALS Do your family know your wishes with regards to your funeral? If you (or they) find this difficult to talk about, why not provide the details to the parish office? Registered parishioners can provide these details which are scanned and stored confidentially with your parishioner record and can be given to families at the appropriate time. Contact Caroline for more details: *caroline.williams@cliftondiocese.com*

BAPTISMS For our next parents' preparation course, please contact Deacon John Proctor by email *john.proctor@cliftondiocese.com* or on 07802 631968 to register for the next course.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Our current programme is full but if you have a child in Year 3 or above, please use our online form to apply to join our next preparation programme which will begin in 2022 Click here

CONFIRMATION If you have a child in Year 9 or above, please use our online form to apply to join our next preparation programme Click here