

PARISH OF ST OSMUND

HOLY REDEEMER + ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND

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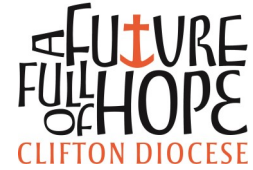
THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

From Father Anthony

Hot, lazy, afternoon. Bees hummed: flowers perfumed the air. A climbing rose threaded its way along olive branches like a pink serpent. Love in the Mist shimmered, a sea of blue in green. White topped bushes dusted the lawn with petals. The gunslinger perched amid tangled vines and blood red roses. I abandoned the bind weed: for a moment I felt deep reverence towards the Creator behind it all. Constantly present to me, was I truly present to Him?

I remember a lady, years ago, saying, "I'm an atheist. If I believed what you believe I would crawl down the aisle in absolute humility and devotion. But I don't believe... *and nor do you, if your behaviour is anything to go by!*" Stinging words: they remain and trouble me to this day. She was pointing out that in the face of such a great Mystery, the Real Presence in the Tabernacle, His Body and Blood on the Altar during Mass, would I not be moved by deep reverence and awe. Yet, observation of 'Christian behaviour' in general, seemed, to her, to point to a lack of devotion and respect. Her parting shot was, "whatever you think is present to you in that box," pointing to the tabernacle, "you don't seem to be present to it". Ouch!

The author of *'the cloud of unknowing'* states that God cannot be thought, only loved. If this is true then it offers a way for us to be present to Him who is always present to us... the way of love; which creates respect and devotion. On entering a church and throughout mass we should, perhaps, leave *thoughts* of how the bread and wine becomes Body and Blood in favour of entering our *hearts*. We must soften our hearts, leave the tangled knots that thought creates and sink into the Love which we *are*: the image of God. *Love becomes present to Love*. We no longer need words or thoughts, for we are in the experience; we are present to Him in Love and as love; not thought. The experience of the Mass will then be the oneness of Love; not the separateness of thought. Love will govern behaviour, not thought. Who knows, we might shout for joy, dance in the aisles out of sheer wonder or gratitude; or prostrate ourselves before such simple yet profound majesty... bread and wine, Body and Blood, Love.



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Southampton Rd, Whaddon SP5 3EB

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

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) - SUNDAY 11 JUNE

Standing at the crowded table in the dim candle light of the Upper Room during the Last Supper, Jesus Christ did not hand out bibles to the Twelve Apostles and solemnly tell them, "Take this, all of you, and read it. This is my book, written for you." Jesus gives us Himself, not a book. On today's Feast, we commemorate God's greatest gift to mankind, the person of Jesus Christ. God gives us His Son, and then Christ gives us Himself, body and blood, soul and divinity, under the *appearance* of bread and wine in the Holy Eucharist. Gift, gift-giver, and receiver meld into one in this Sacrament of Sacraments. For more on this feast and a recording of the psalm set for Corpus Christi, click on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus - 16 June - Devotion to the wounded heart of Jesus has its origins in the eleventh century, when pious Christians meditated on the Five Wounds of Christ. There grew up among the faithful prayers to the Sacred Heart - devotions which helped Christians to focus on the passion and death of Christ. For more and a short video click on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

Day for Life 2023 - 18 June - 'Day for Life' is the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. The theme is 'Listen to Her' and focuses on post-abortion trauma and the impact of abortion primarily on women, but also men and others. For more click on the image in the Top News box or [click here](#). There will be a retiring collection next weekend 17 & 18 June to assist The Bishop's Conference in support of Pro-Life.

Retiring Collection this weekend 10/11 June for SCORE Overseas projects

Mass Changes for Sunday 18 June - There will be no Ordinariate Mass on Sunday 18 June and the Syro Malabar Mass normally held at St Gregory will move to Holy Redeemer at the same time (4.30pm).

Fr Anthony Paris 40th Anniversary of Ordination. There will be an outdoor celebration on Sunday 30 July at St Osmund's School and Grounds to which everyone is warmly invited. There will be a Barbecue, Live Music, and all the attractions for the children: Face Painting, Bouncy Castle, Diddy Cars, Hoppers, Giant Jenga and Connect 4. **We do need volunteers to help out before, during and after** so please don't be shy in coming forwards! Please contact the parish office 01722 562703 or outreach@salisburycatholics.org.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Glastonbury: Sunday 9 July 2023 - The Annual Pilgrimage to Glastonbury, led by Bishop Declan, is taking place again this year on Sunday 9 July. If you are interested in going please complete the list which will be at the back of each Church or call the Parish Office on 01722 562703. Dependent on the level of interest a decision will be taken on whether to hire a coach and on cost etc. For more information click on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

Salisbury Foodbank: During May our parish collected over 200 kilos of tinned tomatoes for the Foodbank. Holy Redeemer collected 43 kilos [click here for the photo](#); St Osmund's collected 33 kilos and St Gregory's collected a whopping 132 kilos. This is the equivalent of over 400 meals. Thank you for your generosity.

EdUKaid are celebrating their 20th Anniversary on Saturday 1 of July from 7pm at Salisbury Guildhall. A great night to include dinner, the Deloreons band, auction and much more. Tickets are £65 per person available from Sarah or Tim Varney. Please email svarney1@me.com to order tickets or for further information.

Pope Francis: We have responsibility before God to protect Common Home. The catastrophic effects of climate change hold us accountable before God. Pope Francis stressed last Monday in the Vatican as he addressed participants in and organisers of the Green & Blue Festival, coinciding with World Environment Day. For more please visit our 'Blog' or [click here](#).

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION THIS WEEKEND

Congratulations to all the children who will make their First Holy Communion in our churches this weekend. For the children who have been preparing since November last year, this weekend is a really important and significant event. Jesus comes to us in a unique way in the Eucharist. When He comes, we receive Him into our body and our soul. This is very beautiful, personal, and intimate. As Catholics, we never take this for granted. Thank you to the parents and catechists: Annette, Deacon John and Nicole who have prepared the children and all who have helped to bring the children to this day and make it special.

Please note: First Holy Communion Masses will be taking place at our regular Saturday evening/Sunday Masses this weekend. We look forward to full churches and celebrations of great joy!

Holy Redeemer Consultation Our Pastoral Team have finished the process of reading, sorting and collating your responses. Thank you to all those who participated in the consultation. All the findings have now been sent to Bishop Declan and we await his response. We will keep you informed.

Youth Work Leader - We are seeking a Youth Work Leader on a 2-year fixed-term contract. The role will be under two part-time contracts, one with the Clifton Diocese working in the Salisbury Parishes and the other will be through The Bridge working within our Catholic schools. This could be one full time position or two part time positions. The role will be to work and develop existing visions for young people in the Parish of St Osmund, to provide opportunities for faith development, engagement and understanding through a variety of activities organised by the Youth Work Leader. For further details of the role, please click on the 'Youth Work Leader' button on our home page or [click here](#). Applications should be made in writing with a CV attached. All correspondence and applications should be directed to john.proctor@cliftondiocese.com.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Training & Commissioning. If you have returned to this ministry but were not able to attend the training and Commissioning Day on the 11 March, Fr Joseph is holding two further sessions. The two dates are next Tuesday 13 June and the following Tuesday 20 June, both at 7pm in Holy Redeemer Hall and Church. The session on the 13th will focus on ministering at Mass and the 20th will focus on taking Communion to the sick and housebound. Please do let the Parish Office know which of these two sessions you plan to attend.

Congratulations and Welcome to Tadhg Peter Joseph Haines who received the Sacrament of Baptism last Sunday at St Osmund. Please keep Tadhg and his parents Siobhan & Tristan and his godparents in your prayers

Baptism Preparation To apply for a baptism please complete a 'Baptism Application' by clicking on the 'Registration' button on our homepage or by [clicking here](#).

Confirmation Programme 2023 the next session is next Tuesday 13 June 7pm at St Osmund for Candidates only. The full programme is available on our website, click on 'Sacraments' on our main menu or [click here](#).

Homily from Bishop Robert Barron on the Feast of Corpus Christi - reflects on the famous story of the feeding of the five thousand—the only miracle, with the exception of the Resurrection, recounted in all four Gospels. Jesus multiplying the loaves and fishes to the feeding of this great crowd must have made a massive impression on the first Christians. To listen and watch, click on the 'Sunday Homily' button on our homepage or [click here](#).

Children's Liturgy from Catholic Kids Media: Corpus Christi! A fun Catholic reflection for children based on the readings for this Sunday. Click on 'Children's Liturgy' on our homepage or [click here](#).

LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year A-1 Week 10, Psalter 2 and Proper of the Solemnity

Saturday 10 June

10:00 St Osmund MASS Thanksgiving Jacob Family

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS Deceased members of the Moran and Hughes families

SUNDAY 11 June

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (Corpus Christi)

09:00 St Gregory MASS People of the Parish

09:00 St Osmund MASS Isabel Moniz RIP

11:00 St Osmund MASS Birthday Blessings & Pearson Family

12:15 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

16:00 St Osmund Polish MASS

18:00 St Osmund MASS Mary Anne & Rose Pace RIP

Monday 12 June

10:00 St Osmund MASS

Tuesday 13 June

10:00 St Osmund MASS For All Souls

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:00 St Osmund Benediction

Wednesday 14 June

10:00 Holy Redeemer MASS Private Intention

18:00 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

Thursday 15 June

10:00 St Osmund MASS Sisters of La Retraite living & dead with thanks

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:00 St Osmund Benediction

18:30 Downton MASS Jack Thorp RIP

Friday 16 June

10:00 St Gregory MASS Doris & Nick Phelan RIP

19:00 St Osmund MASS Josephine Kohlhofer RIP

Saturday 17 June

10:00 St Osmund MASS

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

RECONCILIATION

St Gregory Fridays After the 10:00 Mass

St Osmund Saturdays After the 10:00 Mass.

Holy Redeemer Saturdays 17:30 until Mass

And by appointment with our priests.

PRAYER & SCRIPTURE

Pope Francis Intention for June

For the abolition of torture

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families. [Click here.](#)

CLIFTON DIOCESE

We pray this week for the parish of Holy Cross (Bedminster).

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Margaret Fletcher, Carlo Campari, Kenneth McNally, William Burke and Michael Stevenson, We also pray for those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Advance Notice

Requiem Mass for Ken McNally is next Tuesday 20 June 10am at St Osmund. All are welcome

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14-16

Psalms 147

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

John 6:51-58

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS For baptisms please register your application [click here](#). For more information contact Deacon John Proctor or Deacon Stephen Godwin.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION If you have a child who will be in Year 3 or above from September 2024, please use our online form to apply to join our next preparation programme. [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](#)

MARRIAGES Please speak to the priest for guidance.

FUNERALS Do your family know your wishes with regards to your funeral? 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:

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