SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

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THE ASSUMPTION OF THE Blessed Virgin Mary

From Fr Anthony...

I was driving back from the southern fringes of the parish. There is a moment when the road squeezes through a funnel of trees. They stand like an honour guard forming a dark green canopy. Suddenly, the road falls away in a wide curve and light explodes into a massive sky. Soft, dappled landscape runs away fast and low eastwards into the Cranborne Chase. A sign for Whaddon flashes past; onto the dual carriageway and at another crest...there it is. Small in the distance, sparkling in the sunlight, nestling in the soft smudges of Salisbury - and always pointing to heaven - the Great Spire!

Sitting outside that evening, old Father Basil came to mind. 'She is our pointer to heaven...try and follow Her path. It is the sweetest, simplest but hardest of all the paths. The mystical Rose containing a great Oak. To understand Her you must become like Her'.

Mary, מרי (מרי)meri), a noun conveying rebellion: spiritually, to rebel, to push away what is not of God. What remains, however embryonic, is of God... the son of man, the child within, the soul. It is this that must be nourished and given birth. Christ could be born a thousand times in Galilee - but all in vain until He is born in you and me' - *Angelus Silesius.*

Through our senses (sound, sight, touch, taste, and smell) we consume, process and respond to (encounter) outside stimuli. They shape our thoughts, directing our attention outwards. It is slavery to this kind of thinking that we push away in order to create a space where thought can arise from an encounter with Spirit. Thought formed from Spirit is unique, immaculate, conceived in God. However, because the world is no longer the measure against which thought is formed... we need a new measure. Thought formed from within the spiritual soul is based on assumption not consumption... on 'that which we accept as true or as certain to happen, without proof, (faith)'. God is beyond measure and being known; but we can assume 'the greatness of the Lord', we can assume 'exaltation in God', we can assume 'lowliness'. Mary's prayer (Magnificat) outlines the measure and structure against which spiritual thought is formed. These thoughts are born in Divinity; they are Immaculate and Assume the heavenly, the loving and the other person. The souls of others jump for joy when they meet us.



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NEW TO THE PARISH? We wish you a very warm welcome. Once this current crisis is over, please pop in and say hello. For now, please register online at: https://salisburycatholics.org click "Registration/update"

REGISTERED PARISHIONERS TO DATE : 2644







THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven is the bodily taking up of the Virgin Mary into Heaven at the end of her earthly life. This belief is part of the treasury of the Roman Catholic Church, Eastern Orthodoxy, Oriental Orthodoxy, and parts of Anglicanism. In the Eastern Orthodox churches, the Assumption is referred to as the Dormition of the Theotokos (a Greek word literally meaning "God bearer"). This doctrine was dogmatically defined by Pope Pius XII on 1 November 1950. But Pope Pius was not declaring the belief in the Assumption as something new or novel. To read on and watch a homily on the Assumption by Bishop Burbidge (Arlington, USA) just click on the image in the 'Top News' box or go directly to: *https://salisburycatholics.org/assumption*

Memorial of Saint Bernard, Abbot: 20 August

Bernard's life in the Church was more active than we can imagine possible today. His efforts produced far-reaching results. But he knew that they would have availed little without the many hours of prayer and contemplation that brought him strength and heavenly direction. His life was characterized by a deep devotion to the Blessed Mother. His sermons and books are still the standard of Marian theology. For the complete story of St Bernard please click on the image in the 'Top News' box or go to our 'Blog' or to *https://salisburycatholics.org/blog/saint-bernard*

Memorial of Saint Pius X: Pope 21 August

His humble background was no obstacle in relating to a personal God and to people whom he loved genuinely. Pius X gained his strength, his gentleness and warmth for people from the source of all gifts, the Spirit of Jesus. In contrast, we often feel embarrassed by our backgrounds. Shame makes us prefer to remain aloof from people whom we perceive as superior. If we are in a superior position, on the other hand, we often ignore simpler people. Yet we, too, have to help "restore all things in Christ," especially the wounded people of God. To read the story of St Pius X please click on the image in the 'Top News' box or go to: *https://salisburycatholics.org/blog/saint-pius-x*

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Regular Confessions in church have now resumed.

Saturdays in St Osmund following the 10am Mass (10:30 - 11:30) Saturdays in Holy Redeemer prior to the 6pm Mass (17:30 - Mass) Fridays in St Gregory following the midday Mass (12:30 - 13:00)

BIBLE STUDY meets on Tuesdays every week at 10:45 via Skype. All are welcome. For more information and/or to join please contact Michael on 01725 510310.

ZOOM GATHERINGS	Please contact outreach@salisburycatholics.org if you need assistance.		
Tuesdays at 17:00	Pastoral Team meeting		
Tuesday at 19:30	Alabare community meeting	Contact Deacon John Proctor on 01722 340206	
Wednesdays at 14:30	Weekly Rosary Group	Contact Josephine on 01722 328410	

Rural Gathering 2021: from Fr Robert Miller, CBCEW National Rural Officer

Sarum College in Salisbury 22-24 February 2021. Day visitors welcome. What might it include? Outings: on foot to the Harnham Water Meadows or minibus to the New Forest National Park. For topics, I expect an NHS speaker on rural mental health, the latest on rural post offices following this year's big judgment in favour of postmasters/ mistresses, the work of the land agent, the Catholic Church and the ecological crisis, the Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust, the Forest Schools programme and more.

If you are interested, please contact me, ideally before the end of August: *tisburyparish@cliftondiocese.com*, 01747 870228 or Trellis House, Station Rd, Tisbury, Wilts SP3 6JR. For Fr Robert's full message and further details, go to: *https://salisburycatholics.org/blog/rural-gathering-2021*

Arrangements for Mass

The full list of Mass times in all our churches is on the last page of this newsletter or on our website: click on 'Mass Times' on our homepage or go to: *https://salisburycatholics.org/mass-times*

COVID-19 Regulations: FACE COVERINGS

The government has stipulated that face coverings must be worn in places of worship. Please remember that some people are exempt from this requirement by virtue of medical conditions.

Benediction at St Osmund: Tuesdays and Thursdays 18:40

For those who have booked to attend the 19:00 Mass at St Osmund on a Tuesday or Thursday you may, if you wish, arrive early and attend Benediction on those days.

'Booking' to attend Mass: Thank you so much for your continued support with this process. Please do not arrive at a church hoping to attend Mass if you have not booked a place in advance.

To book please call 01722 562703 or email *outreach@salisburycatholics.org* <u>Bookings can only be taken on this number and email address.</u>

Please only call or email as shown above, please do not call or email the parish office.

Summer Breaks Coming! Please note temporary Mass Time Changes from 24 August to 5 September

Saturday & Sunday Mass Times will remain the same but the weekday Mass times at St Osmund's will be reduced to one per day. The weekday schedule will be:

Monday	24 August	St Osmund	19:00
Tuesday	25 August	St Osmund	10:00
Wednesday	26 August	Holy Redeemer St Osmund	12:00 19:00
Thursday	27 August	St Osmund	10:00
Friday	28 August	St Gregory St Osmund	12:00 19:00
Monday	31 August	St Osmund	19:00
Tuesday	1 September	St Osmund	10:00
Wednesday	2 September	Holy Redeemer St Osmund	12:00 19:00
Thursday	3 September	St Osmund	10:00
Friday	4 September	St Gregory St Osmund	12:00 19:00

Harry the Pigeon...

Paid us a visit for Mass last Friday, much to the concern of the stewards as not only was he NOT booked in, he did not sanitise his claws on entry. He refused to give his name, so we are calling him Harry for contact tracing purposes. He did however observe the 2m social distance guideline throughout. He attended three Masses, two on Friday and one on Saturday. When asked of his opinion of the various homilies he gave a 'No Comment' response. The full story of his visit can be found by clicking on his image in the 'Top News' box or going to our Blog or directly at: *https://salisburycatholics.org/blog/pigeon-named-harry*

LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year A-2 Ordinary Time Week 20 Proper of the Solemnity and weekday Psalter 4

ALL MASSES IN ST OSMUND ARE LIVESTREAMED AND RECORDED https://salisburycatholics.org/church-tv

Limited Congregation Masses

Saturday 15 August

10:00 St Osmund MASS

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

SUNDAY 16 August THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

09:00	St Osmund	MASS	Pacifico and Maria Falzon RIP
09:00	St Gregory	MASS	John Brook RIP
11:00	St Osmund	MASS	May Paz Clarino RIP & Birthday
12:15	St Osmund	Ordinariate M	IASS
18:00	St Osmund	MASS	People of the Parish

Monday 17 August

10:00 St Osmund MASS Peter Fitzsimmons RIP 19:00 St Osmund MASS

Tuesday 18 August

10:00 St Osmund	MASS	Doris Phelan RIP
All Day St Osmund	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
18:40 St Osmund	Benediction	
19:00 St Osmund	MASS	

Wednesday 19 August

10:00 St Osmund MASS12:00 Holy Redeemer MASS19:00 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

Thursday 20 August Saint Bernard, Abbot

10:00 St Osmund	MASS	Christine & Graham Suckey
		Wedding Anniversary
All Day St Osmund	Exposition of	the Blessed Sacrament
18:40 St Osmund	Benediction	
19:00 St Osmund	MASS	

Friday 21 August Saint Pius X, Pope

10:00St OsmundMASS12:00St GregoryMASS19:00St OsmundMASS

Saturday 22 August Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10:00 St Osmund MASS

Chrissey Pater RIP

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St GregoryFridaysSt OsmundSaturdaysHoly RedeemerSaturdays

12:30 to 13:00 10:30 to 11:30 17:30



POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR AUGUST Evangelisation: The Maritime World

For all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families. https://salisburycatholics.org/pope-francis

CLIFTON DIOCESE

We pray this week for the parish of Immaculate Conception, Stroud, with Bisley, Brownshill, Painswick, Randwick & More Hall.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember all those who have died : Rita (Mollie) Halliden, Patricia Dawkins, George Savill, and Paula Elvin and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

INDIVIDUAL PRIVATE PRAYER IN OUR CHURCHES

St Osmund will be open for Private Individual Prayer at the following times this week providing we have stewards available. New volunteers for stewarding are always welcome and much needed.

Monday to Saturday after the 10:00 Mass

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

Apocalypse 11:19; 12:1-6. 10

Ps 44

On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold.

Corinthians 15:20-26

Alleluia, alleluia!. Mary has been taken up into heaven; all the choirs of angels are rejoicing. Allelluia!

Luke 1:39-56

MARRIAGES Where possible, these must be deferred. Please speak to the priest for further guidance.

FUNERALS Please speak to the priest for guidance.

BAPTISMS

For those who have attended the baptismal preparation course a baptism can now be arranged on a Saturday after midday. If you wish to have more detail please contact Deacon John Proctor on 07802 631968 or email *john@alabare.org*