SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

HOLY REDEEMER + ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND Part of the Clifton Diocese: Registered Charity 1170168 Company No 10462074

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

From Father Anthony...

Distant cloud, blue sky and a fat yellow sun: it should have been warm but it was freezing! White blossom and red tulips curled up with their petals furled. Frost stopped me mowing the lawn so I cleaned the church instead. The day felt disordered and dysfunctional... or was it me? Just before bed I sat quietly and reviewed the day's events backwards to when I had awoken that morning. Not easy but with discipline this practice gives one a feel and insight into the 'day's story'. Not only does it bring to mind *what* and *how* things happened but, with sufficient awareness, *why* they happened. It also reveals where a change of mind and heart is needed (*repentance*).

Last week's Gospel encouraged us to use our faculties (Faith, Strength, Judgment, Love, Power, Imagination, Understanding, Will, Discernment, Zeal, Renunciation, Detachment), to close the doors on influences that would cloud the experience of Christ within. To close the doors these faculties must unify and pull together. Centred and unconflicted we can begin to tell and understand the story of our life so far (they told their story). This understanding is vital because we understand God and others as we understand ourselves.

Very often we know *what* has happened in our life and *how* it happened; but not *why* it happened. Knowledge of *why* is of a higher order than knowledge of *what* and *how*. As we use our reason in the service of imagination and intuition and attempt to unify our faculties we begin to feel *why* our life has been and is the way it is *(their hearts burned within)*. It is as if we see it from a higher perspective; seeing how all the parts fit *(he journeyed with them)*. And this leads to a moment of clarity, truth and insight *(he stood among them)*; this is the experience of Christ within. It stands amid the story of our life; our minds are opened to *why* our life happened the way it did. This brings a very deep peace and trust: truth always does.

We find our life written and revealed in the *what (law)*, the *how (prophets)* and the *why (Psalms)*. We understand the wounds our five senses have caused us; the cross we have had to carry. This 'understanding' is the resurrection from it. Understanding our life, we are now in a position to change it *(repentance)*.



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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 : 2716





Feast of Saint George - 23 April

Patron Saint of England, it is believed that St George was a martyr who suffered at Lydda in Palestine, probably before the time of Constantine. The Church reveres this memory rather than the rather fantastical legends surrounding his life; that he was willing to pay the supreme price to follow Christ is what the Church believes, and it is enough. For the full story click on the image in the 'Top News' box or <u>click here</u>.

Memorial of Saint Alphege - 19 April

Born in 954, in Weston, St Alphege became a monk early on in life, and was very spiritual. He became the Bishop of Winchester, and later Archbishop of Canterbury. He was noted for building many of the city's churches, or expanding the ones they had. In 1011, the Danes raided England and he was captured for a period of seven months and was ultimately tortured and killed. For the full story, click on the image in the 'Top News' box or <u>click here</u>.

HISTORICAL ITEMS FROM ST OSMUND'S

Volunteers needed! You may remember that last year, we removed a number of items from the bell tower in St Osmund's. The details (and photographs) are still available to see on our website: *https://salisburycatholics.org/ heritage* Thanks to the hard work of our volunteer team prior to the latest lockdown, all the items have now been assessed, cleaned and catalogued. The smaller items will be returned and stored in St Osmund's but there are some items that (due to their size) we cannot store at present on site (parts of the original Pugin Rood screen and an early set of Stations of the Cross). However, their historical significance means that we have a duty to preserve and store them. The parish of St John the Evangelist in Bath have come to our aid and agreed to store them for us. We are grateful to Mike Presley for providing use of a truck and to Kevin Lynn for agreeing to drive them there but we now need a team of volunteers to help us bubble wrap and clearly label all the items ready for transportation and storage. We hope to complete the task between Monday 26 April and Monday 10 May. If you have some spare time between those dates and would be willing to join in with this effort, we would love to hear from you! Please email: office@salisburycatholics.org or ring the office on 01722 562703.

PRINCE PHILIP RIP

"At this moment of sadness and loss I pray for the repose of the soul of Prince Philip, Her Majesty the Queen's faithful and loyal husband...he has been an example of steadfast loyalty and duty cheerfully given. May he rest in peace." + Vincent Nichols Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster. Please <u>click here</u> for a short video by Cardinal Nichols.

Catch! (towards Pentecost)

Following the very successful 'Pilgrims on the Way' programme, the Alabaré Community are launching another series of five online meetings called "Catch" to run on Zoom between Easter and Pentecost. These will be on Tuesday evenings starting at 19:30 on 20 April. To obtain the meeting code contact: *john.proctor@cliftondiocese.com*

Red Box 2020: Thank You!

In 2020, our three Churches raised £1,530.68 through our Red Boxes and donations to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Communities around the world are so grateful to be supported through our prayer and donations. The missionaries and the communities they serve are living in such difficult circumstances, made even harder by COVID-19. They have asked us to pass on their thanks, and tell us that they pray for us all. Find out more at *missio.org.uk*

SCORE. collection this weekend 17/18 April will be for overseas projects. Please use a pink envelope or one clearly marked 'SCORE' and place it in the general collection. Date for your diary: Monday 10 May at 19:00: a special meeting will be held via Zoom. An invitation and link to the meeting will be provided by John Proctor. Please email him at *john.proctor@cliftondiocese.com*. For more details of the meeting <u>click here</u>.

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

Tuesday at 19:3020 April 'Pilgrims on the Way'Tuesday at 15:0020 April HR/Whaddon House MassWednesday at 14:0021 April Rosary Group House MassThursday at 18:3022 April Downton House Mass

Deacon John *john.proctor@cliftondiocese.com* Tony on 01722 562703 Josephine on 01722 328410 michael.rennie@velaplan.co.uk

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to Thomas, Isabella, Edward, Jasmin, Sumirah, Arya, Cara, Alexandra and Edward who were part of our preparation programme during 2019-2020. These children are (finally!) making their First Holy Communion in St Gregory's Church this weekend. Congratulations also to Zoe, Sophie, Gabriel, Pablo, Alejandro and Szymon who made their First Communion last weekend. Photos can be accessed from the 'Top News' box or <u>click here</u>.

First Holy Communion 2021

If you have a child who is currently in School Year 3 then you may well have been waiting to hear our plans for moving forward with preparation for First Holy Communion. Thank you for your patience. Unlike Confirmation preparation (which normally involves much smaller numbers), each year we have approximately 50 children from the Salisbury Catholic Churches who, together as a large group, prepare to receive the Eucharist. It is very clear that, given the numbers involved and under current conditions, it is time to adopt a different model – a creative, home-centred approach which is supported by the parish. To that end, we have been looking at online resources to assist parents in helping their children as they prepare to receive the Eucharist. If you have a child that is currently in Year 3 at school whom you would like to make their First Communion during the forthcoming year, please complete the online First Holy Communion Application Form at https://p1.pamis.co.uk/salisbury/onlined01cab This form can also be accessed from the homepage of our website by clicking the 'Registration' button. Please complete this online form even if you have already expressed interest either by email, telephone call or in person, so that we can be confident we have not missed anyone out. Once you have completed the online application process, we will get in touch with further details. Many thanks.

Dare to Dream 2020-21 We have for the 2nd Week of Easter a reflection 'Embracing Uncertainty' and a video with Fr. Dominic Findlay-Wilson. You can watch this video and all the previous videos with reflections on our 'Dare to Dream' page; click on the 'Dare to Dream' button on the homepage or by <u>clicking here</u>.

Lenten Retreat We now have 'When words are not enough' which is the last, part eight of Father Denis McBride's online Lenten retreat 'Reflecting with Paintings'. These reflections are on the 'Lent Retreat' page which can be accessed by clicking the 'Lent 2021' button on the homepage or directly by <u>clicking here</u>.

Children's Meditation: 'In My Heart Room' We have the sixth in a series of lovely audio meditations for children by our very own Frances Rolleston. This week, the meditation is called 'Alleluia'. You can access it by clicking on the 'Children's Corner' button on our homepage or by <u>clicking here.</u>

Daily Readings: - We now have a button on our home page which will give a video of the day's readings narrated by Deacon Keith Fournier. So you can now watch and listen to the Word of God each day, just click on the button on the homepage or <u>click here.</u>

The God Who Speaks - There is another short video homily by Fr Jim Golka on the scripture of the 3rd Sunday of Easter that is only 3 minutes long. <u>Click here</u> or on 'The God Who Speaks' button on our homepage.

Sunday Homily - by Bishop Robert Barron. Christ acts as an advocate for our souls through the cosmos-reorienting events of his death and Resurrection, the forging of a connection between heaven and earth. Our brother who walked the same ground and breathed the same air is now seated at the right hand of the Father. Now, in his heavenly advocacy, we find extraordinary hope. Click on the 'Sunday Homily' button on our homepage or <u>click here</u>.

Children's Liturgy We have a children's Liturgy of the Word for this weekend; 'What does the Resurrection mean for us?'. To view click on 'Church TV' then select 'Children's Liturgy' or <u>click here</u>.

Saint Peter How did Peter transform from an uneducated fisherman into one of the most celebrated and beloved Jesus-followers in history? New Testament scholar Con Campbell wanted to find out. To view the fifth episode 'Peter takes the Gospel across the Mediterranean' click on the 'Saint Peter' button on the home page or <u>click here.</u>

Music in Isolation We have 'O filii et filiae' a Christian hymn celebrating Easter. It was written by Jean Tisserand, O.F.M. (d. 1494). Just click on the 'Music in Isolation' button on our homepage or <u>click here</u>.

LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year B-1 Easter Week 3, Psalter 3 and Proper of Season

Please book if you would like to attend Mass in person. booking@salisburycatholics.org 01722 562703

Saturday 17 April

10:00 St Osmund MASS Muriel Maloney RIP

First Mass of Sunday 18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

ASS Lisa Fleming in sickness

SUNDAY 18 April

09:00	St Gregory	MASS		
09:00	St Osmund	MASS	Bob, Mary and Moya McCarthy RIP	
11:00	St Osmund	MASS	Private Intention	
12:15	St Osmund	Ordinaria	Ordinariate MASS	
18:00	St Osmund	MASS	People of the Parish	

Monday 19 April 10:00 St Osmund Saint Alphege, Bishop, Martyr MASS CV Varghese RIP

Tuesday 20 April

10:00 St Osmund MASS In thanksgivingAll Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament18:40 Benediction

Wednesday 21 April

 10:00
 St Osmund
 MASS
 Kevin Mooney RIP

 19:00
 St Osmund
 Ordinariate MASS

Thursday 22 April

10:00St OsmundMASSIntention of the Rhodes familyAll DayExposition of the Blessed Sacrament18:40St OsmundBenediction

Friday 23 April SAINT GEORGE, PATRON OF ENGLAND

19:00 St Osmund MASS Marie Therese Farley RIP

Saturday 24 April

10:00 St Osmund MASS Mary Robson RIP

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Gregory	On request	Contact priests
St Osmund	Saturdays	10:30 to 11:30
Holy Redeemer	Saturdays	17:30 until Mass

Prayer & Scripture

POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR APRIL Universal: Fundamental Rights

For those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis. <u>Click here</u>

CLIFTON DIOCESE

We pray this week for the parishes of St Edmund, Calne, St Anthony of Padua, Melksham.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

We also remember in our prayers all those who have died: Frances Phelan, Garth Vaughan-Brown and Muriel Maloney and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

Acts 3: 13-15. 17-19

Ps 4

Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.

1 John 2:1-5

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us. Alleluia!

Luke 24:35-48

SACRAMENTS

MARRIAGES Please speak to the priest for guidance.

FUNERALS Please speak to the priest for guidance.

BAPTISMS Can now take place in accordance with government guidelines and preparation courses are taking place on Zoom. Please contact Deacon John Proctor on 07802 631968 or email *john@alabare.org*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION If you have a child in Year 3 or above, please use our online form to apply to join our next preparation programme <u>Click here</u>

CONFIRMATION If you If you have a child in Year 9 or above, please use our online form to apply to join our next preparation programme <u>Click here</u> (*Please note that the current programme is already underway and is now full*)