

# SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

HOLY REDEEMER + ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND

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## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

From Father Anthony

A soft breeze swirled early morning mist into a scarf around the trees. It was very quiet, the silence broken only by the sound of muffled Cathedral bells. Light from an obscured sun strained through the misty veils. I stood watching my breath billow before me, steam rising from the mug of tea. High up on the church roof a Gangster perched, looking down from his vantage point upon another who was busily pecking away at the wet grass and grumbling to himself. As I watched, the one on the roof swooped down towards the one on the ground; they both fluttered and rose as one, high into the air.

For some reason it reminded me of some traditional depictions of the Crucifixion. Three crosses on Golgotha. One thief accepts his lot, his face turned towards Christ; the other thief scorns Christ his face turned away. Two sides of human nature. One side that understands the spiritual but is aloof to the material world: it remains trapped by spiritual ideas and never puts them into practice. The other side spurns the spiritual world as a delusion, a waste of time: this side is solely focussed on the world. And, in between them Christ holds the forces of both the spiritual and material world and fuses them together perfectly. Is this not the mission of the Cross? Is this not what we must attempt daily? Not to run from the world by getting lost in spiritual thoughts and practices, nor to be so heavily invested in the world that we lose sight of its spiritual origins but to die *into* the world and all that goes on here in order to spiritualise it. To raise it up by bringing the spiritual to it... *He descended into hell and on the third day rose again.*

On this last Sunday of the Church's year, the feast of Christ the King, we might ask: what sort of King? He is King of the world of *being* and the world of *doing*. He unites both light and dark: He blends them together into a world of Life and Love... the Kingdom of Heaven. If we let Him He will descend into the depths of our own lives: into the hell and dysfunction we create here and raise us into His own wonderful Light. What sort of King? King of your heart and King of mine.



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### OUR CHURCHES

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**St Gregory & the English Martyrs**  
St Gregory's Ave SP2 7JP

**Most Holy Redeemer**  
Fotherby Crescent SP1 3EG

**Chapel of the Good Shepherd**  
Barford Lane, Downton SP5 3QA

**Chapel of the Holy Family**  
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"

# OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical Quas Primas ("In the first") to respond to growing nationalism and secularism. He recognised that these related societal ills would breed increasing hostility against the Church. Today reminds us that while governments and philosophies come and go, Christ reigns as King forever. In 1969, Pope Paul VI amended the title to 'Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe'.

## CHRISTMAS OUTREACH:

**Christmas Mass Times Cards and Visits to our Parishioners** We need more volunteers to visit registered parishioners who live in Wilton, off the Wilton Road, Bishopdown Farm, Bishopdown, off the Devizes Road and near St Mark's. If you would like to help, please contact the Office on 01722 562703 or email Tony: [outreach@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:outreach@salisburycatholics.org)

**Adopt-a-Street** In addition to visiting our own parishioners, we are also simply posting invitation cards through letterboxes all over our city to welcome people to join us in our churches this Christmas. Please click on the 'Adopt a Street' button on our home page or [click here](#) to see the streets that already taken. If you would like to post in a street **NOT** listed as taken, please do let us know and join in. One small street or several - we are grateful for however much or little you have the time and stamina for!

**Already Volunteered? Collect your cards for delivery at Mass THIS weekend.** We have been preparing the packs (card counting) for our 100+ volunteers to distribute as much out as possible at this weekend's Sunday Masses. If need be, the rest will follow next weekend. Please note that if it is not convenient to pick them up at church you can always call into the Office any weekday between 9am and 4pm. PLEASE DO NOT DELIVER YET! At this stage, we are distributing to you but deliveries should take place ideally no sooner than 5 December.

**Remember the People of Ukraine** The pain and trauma of war has been visited on Ukraine and its people for almost 9 months and at this time of remembrance it is fitting we pray too for the people of Ukraine. You can watch and listen to Bishop Kenneth Nowakowski, Bishop of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of the Holy Family of London, who talks about the devastating impact of the war but also the solidarity and welcome many people have shown throughout our lands to Ukrainians fleeing the war. Just click on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

**Saint Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions - 24 November** - Andrew Dung-Lac, a Catholic convert ordained to the priesthood, was one of 117 people martyred in Vietnam between 1820 and 1862. Members of the companions group gave their lives for Christ in the 17th, 18th, and 19th centuries, and received beatification between 1900 and 1951. All were canonised during the papacy of Saint John Paul II. For more please [click here](#).

**SPUC** You are invited to a coffee morning in aid of SPUC this Saturday 19 November in St Osmund's Parish Rooms from 10.30am to 12 noon. Cake, gifts, and cards to purchase. Also, a Raffle with exciting gifts to be won.

**Salisbury Catholic Churches Christmas Bazaar** St Gregory's are hosting our Christmas Bazaar this Sunday 20 November 2022 (see below) following the 9am Mass. Donations can be brought directly to St Gregory's Hall. .

**Salisbury Catenians (Reflections in Faith)** - Our dinner speaker this month will be the Rev Katharine Rumens. Teacher, Artist and one of the first ordained women priests who will talk about her faith journey. The event will be on Thursday 24th November at the White Hart Hotel Salisbury at 7.30pm. Three course meal followed by a talk. To book please contact [dmorehead@btinternet.com](mailto:dmorehead@btinternet.com) or Michael Presley On 07771803876

**Liturgical Diaries for 2023 (Year A) and Directories** are now on sale in the Parish Office between 9am to 4pm on a weekday. The price of the diaries is £6.50 and the directories is £6.00

## PARISH MERGER MASS

Our three Parishes will formally merge on Saturday the 26 November at 12 Noon at a Mass where the Decree formalising the merger will be read out. The Mass has to be celebrated in St Osmund's as this will be the Named Parish Church. This is truly an historic event in the life of our three parishes.

Everyone is invited to attend the Mass. Seating may be tight, but there will be an overflow area in St Osmund's Parish Hall where the Liturgy can be followed on television if need be.

There will then be a reception in Elizabeth Hall afterwards where we hope to see as many of our parishioners as possible. Donations of finger food will be most welcome and can be dropped into St Elizabeth Hall prior to Mass.

**Please note there will be no 10am Mass on this Saturday.**

## CONSECRATING OUR HOMES AND FAMILIES TO OUR LADY

The rotation of the statue of Our Lady to our homes has now begun. Initially it has been with the parishioners of St Gregory, now it is available to parishioners at Holy Redeemer and then on to St Osmund from 23 November. The statue will move from home to home remaining at each home for a day or two to give time and opportunity for those in that home to consecrate themselves to Our Lady and her Immaculate Conception. Each home that welcomes the statue will pray the rosary and the consecration prayer for the day. They then take the statue to the next home and this will continue in different homes until the 8 December when the statue will be brought to St Osmund's church. If you would like to participate in this prayerful act of devotion there are still vacant days before 8 December: there is a list at each of our churches again this weekend or you can contact Reshma directly on 07774 822176 or email [rthachiladi@gmail.com](mailto:rthachiladi@gmail.com)

This is being coordinated by Nithin and Reshma Thalakkottur.

**Christmas Voices From the Holy Land** - Following the talk on The Holy Land last weekend we have on sale in the Parish Office a beautiful prayer resource for Advent at a reduced price of £5. This book follows the route of the Holy Family through Advent and Christmas. For more click on the image in the Top News box or [click here](#).

**First Holy Communion Programme 2022/2023** Dates and times have now been set and have been emailed to all those who have registered their child for the programme. Details are also on our website, please click on 'Sacraments' on our main menu and then on 'Holy Communion' or [click here](#). The first session is for both parents and children **this Saturday 19 November at 2pm** in St Gregory's Church and the programme culminates in First Communion weekend on 10/11 June 2023. It is very important that all sessions are attended. For further information please contact Father Anthony or Deacon John Detain.

**Applications please for Confirmation in 2023.** For young people in school Year 9 or above please apply NOW as we will soon be finalising the programmes. To apply please click on the 'Registration/Update' button on our home page or [click here](#).

**Day for Readers retreat last Saturday** which was led by Fr Joseph was extremely well attended. Thank you to everyone especially Fr Joseph, for making the day both fruitful and a tremendous success.

**Candlelight Carols & Benediction Wednesday 21 December 7pm at St Osmund's Church** Fr Joseph is recruiting singers to join him and will be leading three rehearsals beforehand: 30 November, 7 & 14 December 7pm - 8pm in St Osmund's Parish Rooms [office@salisbury Catholics.org](mailto:office@salisbury Catholics.org) or call 01722 562703.

## LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year C-2 Ordinary Time Week 34

Proper of the Solemnity and Weekday Psalter 2

### Saturday 19 November

10:00 St Osmund MASS Jamie Purvis RIP

### First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

### SUNDAY 20 November OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

09:00 St Gregory MASS People of the Parish  
09:00 St Osmund MASS In Thanksgiving - Liji Shibu  
11:00 St Osmund MASS MH & PBM RIP  
12:15 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS  
18:00 St Osmund MASS Esteban Tibon RIP

### Monday 21 November Presentation of The Blessed Virgin Mary

10:00 St Osmund MASS Maire Ivory (recovery)

### Tuesday 22 November Saint Cecilia

10:00 St Osmund MASS Nonie & Harry Fleming RIP

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:00 St Osmund Benediction

### Wednesday 23 November

10:00 Holy Redeemer MASS In Thanksgiving - Mary Fleming

18:00 St Osmund Ordinariate Mass

### Thursday 24 November Saints Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions

10:00 St Osmund MASS Michael Price RIP

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:00 St Osmund Benediction

### Friday 25 November

10:00 St Gregory MASS Eamon Phoenix RIP

19:00 St Osmund MASS November Dead List

### Saturday 26 November

**NO MASS AT 10:00 OR CONFESSIONS**

**12:00 St Osmund PARISHES MERGER 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

**PLEASE NOTE - there will be no confessions on Saturday  
26 November at St Osmund due to the merger Mass.**

Holy Redeemer Saturdays 17:30 until Mass

*And by appointment with our priests.*

## PRAYER & SCRIPTURE

### POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

#### Children Who Suffer

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection. [Click here.](#)

### CLIFTON DIOCESE

We pray this week for the parishes of: St Dunstan (Somerton) and Holy Ghost (Yeovil with South Petherton).

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Frances Dismore, Derek Pheby, John Say and Derek Boston who died recently and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

### SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

*2 Samuel 5:1-3*

*Ps 121*

**I rejoiced when I heard them say:  
'Let us go to God's house.'**

*Colossians 1:12-20*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!  
Alleluia!**

*Luke 23:35-43*

## 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 2023, 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:  
[caroline.williams@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:caroline.williams@cliftondiocese.com)



## SCORE – AN EXPLANATION BY DEACON JOHN PROCTOR (SALISBURY CATHOLIC OUTREACH)

I have been asked to explain the purpose and workings of our SCORE fund. This started over 30 years ago in St Osmund's Parish as the parish response to those in need and at that time operated under the name of SCAFOD (Salisbury Catholic Fund for Overseas Development). At that time the entire offertory collection from one Sunday per month was donated to CAFOD. (Catholic Fund for Overseas Development). This amounted to approximately 25% of our offertory collection. The Parish has always looked beyond itself as part of our Christian calling.

As SCAFOD donated **all** its funds to CAFOD there was a feeling that locally, we had no say in which overseas projects we supported and any local needs resulted in extra collections. Scripture suggests we should tithe 10% of our personal income to those in need beyond ourselves and, in order to model this, the Parish altered SCAFOD to SCORE in 2009, donating 10% of our offertory to this fund. Clearly this represented a significant reduction from 25% and so - for those parishioners who wished to contribute more - there would also be a special collection each month to supplement this fund. In reality, the amount collected each month remained about the same and it was agreed that there would not be a myriad of extra collections to fund local and overseas projects. There are, of course, a number of other 'Special Collections' that are mandatory and required by either the Bishops' Conference (e.g Annual World Mission collection) or by the Clifton Diocese (eg. the annual collection for Clifton Cathedral). In order to provide choice, it was decided that alternate months of these extra SCORE collections would be designated for either local or overseas projects. This happens for 10 months of the year. In the other two months we take a collection for CAFOD. (Lent & Harvest Fast Days)

As we began working more closely together as parishes, St. Gregory's and Holy Redeemer joined this fund and a team of people from all three parishes was formed to deal with applications from home and overseas charities. They are governed by a constitution detailing the scope and criteria of projects that can be supported with a preference being given to projects in which parishioners are personally involved.

In our diocese, we have been following the Bishop's programme of Prayer – Communion – Mission. In this programme, the Bishop suggested that any parish not currently looking outside of itself might adopt both a local and overseas project as part of its mission. Salisbury churches have been ahead of the game supporting a range of projects distributing about £25,000 per annum. We have supported EduKaid in Africa, food banks in South Africa, social projects in the Philippines and the Sudan and many more. At home we have supported the homeless, foodbanks, Street Pastors and charities offering a range of services to children and families in poverty. We detail after each meeting, in the church bulletin, in the Salisbury Journal and on the Parish website the applications that have been approved.

This is a mission that the whole parish is involved in but should a parishioner not wish to support this outreach then this should be stipulated when you complete your standing order. It is worth noting however that the parish pays a levy to the diocese of approaching 50% on all income but we have negotiated with the diocese that there is no such levy on the 10% that is given to SCORE outreach projects and similarly with the Building Fund. So in reality it only costs the Parish around 5% as we would otherwise be paying the levy on this income. We welcome others who would be willing to help to join this team which meets four times a year and you are invited to submit applications to the fund. If you require further details please contact Deacon John Proctor.





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CHURCHES WOULD LIKE  
TO WELCOME YOU  
TO . . . . .

# ST GREGORY'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

ON

SUNDAY 20TH NOVEMBER '22,  
10.00AM TO 1.30 PM

IN

ST GREGORY'S HALL,  
ST GREGORY'S AVENUE,  
SALISBURY

ALL ARE WELCOME!

