

# SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

HOLY REDEEMER + ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND

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## ORDINARY TIME WEEK 25 (A)

From Fr Anthony...

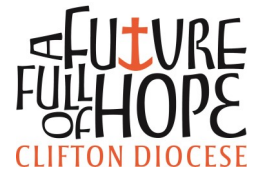
Early morning mist hung in the air. It was cool, damp and earthy. A train rattled in the distance. The 'gangsters' loitered and squabbled. Harry 'the pigeon' cooed and the 'gunslinger' called me out... with a beautiful song. Greens are turning brown but there are still splashes of colour and a beautiful pink rose. The rising sun cast a ruby red glow; the flats gleamed and reflected it. The mist descended. Its wispy tentacles clung to treetops and floated down like grey veils, obscuring everything.

The Gospel alerts us to a 'veil' that hinders contact with reality and therefore, with God gifts. We read, '*why be envious...*' properly translated, '*is your eye evil because I am generous*'. The *evil eye* was a Hebrew expression referring to Envy. Envy, along with Pride and Resentment, obscures reality; they are 'deadly' for spiritual development.

Envy seems to be about avarice, greed, etc. But, it is deeper. For example, I want a car. I can save up, lease, take out a loan, or go without or I might be given one! Whether I like it or not this will be my actual experience. If I am sufficiently aware I can find God in it. Every moment is perfectly constructed so that I can find God's intention behind it and, therefore, what is being offered. If God's intention and mine coincide, we are one; if not, I have something to learn. Life as it is lived is the teacher.

When I envy you because you have the car... it goes beyond the car. Effectively, I want to capture your experience. I want to be in your shoes. Envy, like a veil, obscures my own experience. It takes me away from reality into the realm of '*I wish*' or '*if only*'. But, I can never have your experience; I can only have my own. Through contact with life *as it is lived* I develop something of my own... only then have I something to give.

Each moment contains the 'developing world' of each life... the *vineyard*. To access it we have to be present to it, *as it is*. By accessing the world *as it is* we come to understand how to transcend each event and find its spiritual meaning and the Kingdom of Heaven. At what hour this happens is not important. That it happens, is. The reward is the same for all... spiritual awakening.



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### Parish Office

**Monday - Friday 09:00 - 17:00**

The parish office is now located in the Newman Room (at the back of the Parish Rooms at St Osmund's)

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### OUR CHURCHES

**St Osmund**  
95 Exeter Street SP1 2SF

**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. Pop into the Newman Room and say hello! Please register online at: <https://salisburycatholics.org> click "Registration/update"

**REGISTERED PARISHIONERS TO DATE : 2661**



## THOMAS LAWES - ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD & FIRST MASSES



As many of you know, Thomas was raised here in Salisbury, lived in Holy Redeemer parish and attended both St Osmund's and St Joseph's schools. For part of Thomas's childhood, the family lived in Fotherby House (the former presbytery at Holy Redeemer) and we have been praying for Thomas since he entered seminary at St John's, Wonersh in Sept 2014. It is with great pride and joy that we look forward to Thomas's Ordination to the Priesthood on 26 September at 11am in Clifton Cathedral. It is sad that, due to the current COVID restrictions, we cannot organise a coach and his Ordination has to be an invitation-only occasion. However, we are delighted to announce that **Thomas is coming back to Salisbury to preside at his first Masses** over two weekends: 27 Sept (the morning after his Ordination) and 3/4 October (the following weekend). We anticipate that these Masses will get booked very quickly, so do book early if you would like to attend in person.

We will be presenting Thomas with a gift from our parishes to mark his Ordination and, if you would like to contribute to this gift, there are envelopes available in all of our churches this weekend. Please put your gift into the envelope and place in the normal offertory basket by the entrance/exit in any of our churches. Please make cheques payable to 'St Osmund's Parish' and write 'Thomas Lawes' on the reverse side. If you would like to add your gift via online banking, please call the office for bank details: 01722 562703 or email [outreach@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:outreach@salisburycatholics.org)  
**Please continue to pray for Thomas as he approaches his Ordination.**

**Saint Matthew, Apostle 21 September** - from such an unlikely situation, Jesus chose one of the foundations of the Church, a man others, judging from his job, thought was not holy enough for the position. But Matthew was honest enough to admit that he was one of the sinners Jesus came to call. He was open enough to recognise truth when he saw him. "And he got up and followed him" (Matthew 9:9). For the story of St Matthew, please click on the image in the 'Top News' box or go directly to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/blog/saint-matthew>

**Parenting for Faith.** We have been introduced to a great online resource: 'Parenting for Faith' which supports parents by offering new ways of bringing faith into everyday life with their children. The course comprises of 8 sessions in videos and we intend to release one session per week onto our website. The first session is called 'Position for Influence' and is 27 minutes long. You can find it by clicking on the 'Adult & Child Faith Formation' button on our homepage and then on 'Parenting for Faith' or go directly to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/parenting-faith>

**ENCIRCLES** is a local charity operated solely by volunteers. One of their main activities is the distribution of soup in the early evening to the homeless outside Salisbury library. They are currently supported by a number of local churches including Christ The King, Amesbury. Salisbury Catholics have been asked if we can support this worthwhile activity one evening a week though the cold weather period (October to 31 March 2021). This will entail a team of volunteers within our parishes operating on a rota; purchasing, preparing 5 litres of soup and delivering it to the Encircles volunteer at the library each week. We are not being asked to distribute the soup. We will also need someone to co-ordinate this worthwhile activity and liaise with Encircles. If you would like to volunteer for any of these roles please contact us on 01722 562703 or email [outreach@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:outreach@salisburycatholics.org)

**CANCER SUPPORT SALISBURY.** If you are affected by cancer, as a patient, carer, relative or friend there is a voluntary group called 'Cancer Support Salisbury' that provides support. For information please see their website <https://www.cancersupportsalisbury.com> or speak with volunteers Sally Bradley or Bob Wells at the 6 pm Mass at St Osmund's or email [outreach@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:outreach@salisburycatholics.org) and we will put you in touch.

**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](mailto:outreach@salisburycatholics.org) if you need assistance.

Tuesday at 19:30	Alabare community meeting	Contact John Proctor on 01722 340206
Wednesday at 14:30	Rosary Group	Contact Josephine on 01722 328410
Thursdays at 19:00	Downton Service of the Word	Contact Michael <a href="mailto:michael.rennie@velaplan.co.uk">michael.rennie@velaplan.co.uk</a>
Tuesday at 15:00	22 September HR/Whaddon House Mass	Contact Tony on 01722 562703

## BOOKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR MASS

**ORDINARIATE MASS** There is no Ordinarate Mass at 12:15 this Sunday 20 September.

### PLEASE NOTE CHANGES TO MASS TIMES/LOCATIONS:

**FRIDAYS** From next Friday (25 September) Mass at for St Gregory will be at 10am (not midday) and there will be no morning Mass at St Osmund on Fridays. The 7pm St Osmund Mass will continue as normal.

**MONDAYS** From Monday 28 September there will no longer be a 7pm Mass at St Osmund. The 7pm Mass on other weekday evenings (Tues-Friday) will continue as normal.

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

Please note that Benediction takes place on a Tuesday and Thursday before Mass, so do come along as part of your Mass booking if you would like to. There is traditional music as part of this liturgy.

**Booking to attend Sunday Masses:** Please book as early as possible to attend Sunday Masses (including Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass). Office opening hours are Monday - Friday and so emails and telephone calls on Saturday and Sundays may well not be received/responded to.

**To book, please call 01722 562703 or email [outreach@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:outreach@salisburycatholics.org)**

**Bookings can only be taken on this number and email address, Monday - Friday 09:00 - 17:00**

## BOOKING TO ATTEND FR. THOMAS LAWES FIRST MASSES

Fr Thomas will celebrate his first Masses here in Salisbury. We anticipate that these Masses will be very busy so do book early if you wish to attend in person. They are taking place as follows:

Sunday 27 September 09:00 - St Osmund  
11:00 - St Osmund  
Saturday 3 October 18:00 - Most Holy Redeemer  
Sunday 4 October 09:00 - St Gregory

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRAYER SUPPORTED BY OUR WEBSITE

*THE LORD IS NEAR TO ALL WHO CALL ON HIM, TO ALL WHO CALL ON HIM IN TRUTH*

### THE GOD WHO SPEAKS

We have a video reflection on last weekend's Gospel (24th Sunday in Ordinary Time). 3 minutes and 14 seconds long and well worth listening to. To access, please click on the 'The God Who Speaks' button on our Homepage or go directly to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/god-who-speaks>

### WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES 27 SEPTEMBER

We have a new theme for this period 'To involve in order to promote' *"Sometimes, in our enthusiasm to serve others, we fail to see the riches they possess. If we really want to promote the people to whom we offer assistance, we must involve them and let them be active participants in their own liberation."* Pope Francis. For more on this and previous themes click on the 'Migrant 20' button on our homepage or go directly to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/migrant20>

**Children's Corner** We have a lovely lyric video 'A Place in the Choir' - although meant for children, some adults may enjoy it also. You can find it by clicking on the 'Adult & Child Faith Formation' button on our homepage and then on 'Children's Corner' or go directly to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/childrens-corner>

# LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year A-2 Ordinary Time Week 25 and Psalter 1

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

## Limited Congregation Masses

### Saturday 19 September

10:00 St Osmund MASS

### First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

### SUNDAY 20 September

09:00 St Osmund MASS

09:00 St Gregory MASS

11:00 St Osmund MASS Binta & Ajith Special Intention

### No Ordinariate MASS this Sunday

18:00 St Osmund MASS

### Monday 21 September SAINT MATTHEW, APOSTLE

10:00 St Osmund MASS

19:00 St Osmund MASS

### Tuesday 22 September

10:00 St Osmund MASS Michael J Dixon Robinson RIP

All Day St Osmund Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:40 St Osmund Benediction

19:00 St Osmund MASS

### Wednesday 23 September Saint Pius of Pietrelcina

10:00 St Osmund MASS Timothy Simon Robinson RIP

12:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

19:00 St Osmund MASS

### Thursday 24 September Our Lady of Walsingham

10:00 St Osmund MASS

All Day St Osmund Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:40 St Osmund Benediction

18:30 Downton MASS

19:00 St Osmund MASS

### Friday 25 September

#### Please note the following changes for Fridays

There will be no morning Mass at St Osmund.

10:00 St Gregory MASS

19:00 St Osmund MASS

### Saturday 26 September

10:00 St Osmund MASS

\*Please note that, due to the Ordination (see below), there will be no Confessions after the 10am Mass today.

### 11:00 Clifton Cathedral ORDINATION OF THOMAS LAWES

Livestreamed on our 'Church TV' page and select 'Clifton Cathedral' or go to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/clifton>

### First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

St Gregory Fridays 09:30 until Mass

### Please note - No confessions on Saturday 26 at St Osmund

Holy Redeemer Saturdays 17:30 until Mass

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### POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

#### Universal: Respect for the Planet's Resources

That the planet's resources will not be plundered but shared in a just and respectful manner.

<https://salisburycatholics.org/pope-francis>

### CLIFTON DIOCESE

We pray this week for the parishes of St George/ St Therese of Lisieux, Taunton and St John Fisher, Wellington, with Wiveliscombe.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember all those who have died: Stephanie Chandler, Alan West, Sheila Owen, Rita (Mollie) Halliden and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

### INDIVIDUAL PRIVATE PRAYER

St Osmund is now open for Private Individual Prayer throughout the day during office hours, just call into the Newman Room at the back of the Parish Rooms to gain admittance to the church when you arrive.

### SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

*Isaiah 55:6-9*

*Ps 144*

**The Lord is close to all who call him.**

*Philippians 1:20-24. 27*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Blessings on the King who comes,  
in the name of the Lord!**

**Peace in heaven**

**and glory in the highest heavens!**

**Alleluia!**

*Matthew 20:1-16*

### 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](mailto:john@alabare.org)