

# SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

HOLY REDEEMER + ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND

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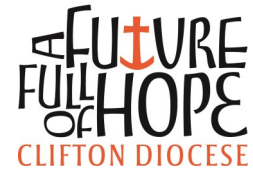
## ORDINARY TIME WEEK 21(C)

### From Father Anthony

Another long drive. Sweltering heat, heavy traffic and motorway closures frayed my nerves. I abandoned the motorway, navigated across the beautiful North York Moors and then up the coast. Mercifully, temperatures dropped and tempers cooled. Close to the destination fog drifted over the sea front like fat twists of candy floss. Salty air seeped into the car. Lights shimmered in the gloom and a fog horn moaned in the distance. I slowed down to a crawl and became totally absorbed in watching the fog lights of the car in front. And, arrived!

At some stage in our spiritual lives we have to become totally absorbed in wanting Christ... in following Him. Not because we have been told to do so but because our intuition tells us that only He will do. It's like a hazy awareness of another presence (*teaching*) making its way through our thinking, emotional and willing centres, (*through towns and villages Jesus went teaching*). We come to realise that only His way leads to real and lasting truth and peace (*making His way to Jerusalem*). This total absorption is the *narrow door*.

Our '*normal way of life*', rooted in the world, distracts us from the intuited '*way of Christ*', rooted in spirit. We have to be alert to these distractions and *strive* to remain focussed on the intuition: it can be agonising. Jesus tells His followers, '*strive to enter by the narrow door*'. The word *strive* (ἀγωνίζομαι agónizomai) means *to struggle*; from it we get our word *agonise*. Faced with the *way of Christ* and the *way of the world* we struggle (*agonise*) over how to follow Christ. However, the struggle is not about a simple choice between the *way of Christ* and the *way of the world* (*senses*). It is a struggle, an agony, because the two are of different orders: they can't speak to or understand one another. One uses the language of spirit: the other the language of the world. Because we can talk about them we think we understand them (*we once ate and drank in your company*): but we don't understand (*I do not know where you come from*). It is not a work that we can do; we are not equipped for it. It is a work that Christ does in us. Our work (*struggle*) is to remain alert and receptive to His *travelling* within us. He will do the rest.



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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"

**REGISTERED PARISHIONERS  
TO DATE : 3008**



## WELCOMING OUR NEW PRIEST - FR JOSEPH

**Fr Joseph Columba (Meigh)** will be celebrating his 'first' Mass at our Saturday evening/Sunday Masses as follows:

9am, 11am, 6pm	St Osmund	Sunday 11 September	Bridget (9am), Bernie (11am), Gill (6pm)
6pm	Holy Redeemer	Saturday 17 September	Josephine Little
9am	Sacred Heart (Tisbury)	Sunday 18 September	
11am	Wardour	Sunday 18 September	
9am	St Gregory	Sunday 25 September	<i>Bring contributions on the day</i>

To welcome Fr Joseph and to allow all parishioners to introduce themselves, we will be having an after-Mass social event following each all these Masses which is being organised by the people noted above. We would be very grateful for contributions of finger-food or drinks. If you have any questions or would like to bring contributions to Parish Office prior to the day, please contact Desiree on 01722 562703 [office@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:office@salisburycatholics.org) Thank you.

At the 9am St Gregory's Mass on 25th, the parish are 'extending' this event to be a welcome event for new parishioners. For more details, [click here](#) for the poster.

## SAINT BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE 24 AUGUST

Some scholars identify Bartholomew the Apostle with Nathanael, a man of Cana who was summoned to Jesus by Philip. Jesus paid him a great compliment: "Here is a true Israelite. There is no duplicity in him" (John 1:47). When Nathanael asked how Jesus knew him, Jesus said, "I saw you under the fig tree" (John 1:48). Whatever amazing revelation this involved, it brought Nathanael to exclaim, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the King of Israel". For more click the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

**St Osmund's Church Building** Our property team are working really hard right now to investigate, plan, cost and appoint contractors to effect the necessary repairs to the crumbling plaster in the ceilings of the north and south aisles. We also have a serious pigeon infestation in the bell tower that we have to deal with immediately. The costs are going to be high and we will keep you informed as we know more. The scaffolding required to keep the church open is £100 per week. If, given the current cost of living crisis, you are able to give a donation however small to the Building Fund this would make a difference. Please contact the Parish Office on 01722 562703 or [office@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:office@salisburycatholics.org) for details or tap on 'Building Fund' using the contactless payment machine in St Osmund's porch.

**SCORE Collection** - This weekend 20 & 21 August there will be a retiring collection for overseas projects. You can also donate by clicking on the 'Donate' button on our homepage or via the contactless machine in St Osmund's Church or by [clicking here](#).

**Salisbury Food Bank.** This month and September we will be collecting tinned rice pudding, fruit and custard and tins of meat and fish. These items are on the Food Bank 'wanted' list and will help families through the summer holidays. Thank you for generosity which is tremendous and much appreciated.

**Salisbury Catholics Parishioner Lunch** Thanks to a kind offer of help, the lunch planned for Thursday 8 September after the midday Mass **WILL** take place. However, this wonderful and well-attended monthly event still needs more cooks and helpers to sustain it going forward. If you can help either regularly or occasionally, please contact Jane by email: [jane.waspe@btinternet.com](mailto:jane.waspe@btinternet.com).

**Rosary Group** meets to pray the Rosary together via Zoom on each Wednesday at 2.30pm. Please contact Josephine on 01722 328410 for information. Everyone is welcome to join.

**My Generation** will be meeting next on Wednesday 7 September for a Quiz at 2pm in St Gregory's Hall. For further information please contact Chris on 01722 321109.

## YOUTH WORK LEADER – SALISBURY PARISHES

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. The role will be to work and develop existing visions for young people in the Salisbury Catholic Churches, to provide opportunities for faith development, engagement and understanding through a variety of activities organised by the Youth Work Leader. The leader will provide support for the whole community of parents in the formation of their children, a model rooted in the African proverb “it takes a village to raise a child”. For further details of the role, please [click here](#) Closing Date is 22 August 2022, initial applications should be made in writing with a CV attached. All correspondence and applications should be directed to [john.proctor@clifftondiocese.com](mailto:john.proctor@clifftondiocese.com).

**Season of Creation Service Sunday 4 September at 3pm** The Season of Creation starts on 1 September and ends on the Feast of St Francis on 4 October. It is an ecumenical celebration of prayer and action for the common home. To mark the Season there will be a Service at St Osmund’s Church on Sunday 4 September at 3pm. Click on the image in the ‘Top News’ box or [click here](#) for the Holy Father’s Message and the Service Booklet.

**Spiritual Accompaniment** Sr Clare Jardine is offering spiritual accompaniment to anyone in the parish who would like to talk and reflect about their life. She is an experienced religious sister trained in this ministry living here in Salisbury. If you would like to talk to Sr Clare confidentially and on an individual basis in her home call 07989 192386. A single session can be arranged with further sessions if and when you feel you need them. Her role would be to listen attentively to the way God is speaking to you through your prayer and to help you to reflect prayerfully.

**Saint Bernadette Relic Tour** These relics will be at Clifton Cathedral on Saturday 10th September 2022 for one day. In conjunction with Christ the King, Amesbury, **a coach has now been booked**. If you are interested in going please complete the list at the back of Church or call the office on 01722 562703. **Places will be allocated on a first come - first served basis**. Please note there are limited spaces for wheel chair users, please indicate on the list or call the office. For more click on the image in the ‘Top News’ box or [click here](#).

**Ukrainian Refugees Update** Our contact from the Salisbury churches (Jane Ebel) is now in Moldova working in Refugee Centres outside Chisinau. She contacted us on Friday by email: “Yesterday I met an older lady who comes from Mikolaiv, with a cat and nothing else, except a handful of photos. She sings (beautifully) and would be very happy to come to Salisbury if we were able to organise a sponsor, a visa and a flight for her and her cat (both have passports). She lives in a dormitory (4 women) in pretty basic conditions and has lost everything, including her son, in Ukraine. If you have registered under the Government Homes for Ukraine scheme and can help, please contact Deacon John Proctor on 07802 631968 or the parish office. The government contribute £350 per month for the accommodation.

**Baptism** Congratulations and welcome to Leo who received the Sacrament of Baptism last Sunday 14 August. Please keep Leo and his parents Katherine & Anton in your prayers at this special time.

**Baptism Preparation Course** Our next course will take place on three Thursdays evenings: 8, 15 and 22 September at 7pm in St Osmund’s Parish Rooms. To apply for a baptism please complete a ‘Baptism Application’ by clicking on the ‘Registration’ button on our homepage or by [clicking here](#). For further information please contact Deacon John Proctor on 07802 631968 or Deacon Steve Godwin on 07583 254488.

**Sunday Homily from Bishop Robert Barron** on the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C. In answer to the question ‘How many will be saved?’ Bishop Barron reminds us that we should not presume that insiders will be saved and that we should hope in the mercy of God. To listen and watch, click on the ‘Sunday Homily’ button on our homepage or [click here](#).

**Children’s Liturgy** from Catholic Kids Media: ‘Who will be saved?’ for this the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time C. Click on the ‘Children’s Liturgy’ button on our homepage or [click here](#).

# LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year C-2 Ordinary Time Week 21 and Psalter 1

## Saturday 20 August

### Saint Bernard

10:00 St Osmund MASS Arthur & Mary Buck RIP

## First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS Private Intention

## SUNDAY 21 August

09:00 St Gregory MASS Stasia Stockley RIP

09:00 St Osmund MASS People of the Parish

11:00 St Osmund MASS Chrissey Pater RIP

12:15 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

16:30 Holy Redeemer Syro Malabar MASS

18:00 St Osmund MASS Lily Mulcahy RIP

## Monday 22 August Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10:00 St Osmund MASS For all the poor souls in purgatory.

## Tuesday 23 August

10:00 St Osmund MASS B J Chacko RIP

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:00 St Osmund Benediction

## Wednesday 24 August SAINT BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE

10:00 Holy Redeemer MASS Michael McIntyre RIP

19:00 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

## Thursday 25 August

10:00 St Osmund MASS Thanksgiving - Jovit Merin  
Vazhappilly

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:00 St Osmund Benediction

## Friday 26 August

10:00 St Gregory MASS For a successful kidney transplant  
(Stephen S to Maria B)

19:00 St Osmund MASS For a successful kidney transplant  
(Stephen S to Maria B)

## Saturday 27 August Saint Monica

10:00 St Osmund MASS Mary Webb RIP

## First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

# RECONCILIATION

St Gregory Fridays After the 10:00 Mass

St Osmund Saturdays 10:30 to 11:00

Holy Redeemer Saturdays 17:30 until Mass

*And by appointment with our priests.*

# PRAYER & SCRIPTURE

## POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR AUGUST

**Small Businesses** We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating and serving their communities. [Click here.](#)

## CLIFTON DIOCESE

We pray this week for the parishes of St Margaret Mary (Coleford), Our Lady of Victories (Cinderford) and Our Lady of Lourdes (Newent with Blaisdon).

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Jean Palliser, Michael Cooke, Stasia Stockley, Bridget Villis who died recently and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

## SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

*Isaiah 66:18-21*

*Ps 116*

**Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News.**

*Hebrews 12:5-7. 11-13*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**If anyone loves me he will keep my word,  
and my Father will love him,  
and we shall come to him.**

**Alleluia!**

*Luke 13:22-30*

# SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISMS** For baptisms please contact Deacon John Proctor or Deacon Stephen Godwin. Our next preparation course takes place

**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? If you (or they) find this difficult to talk about, why not provide the details to the parish office? 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)

## ‘TEACH US HOW TO PRAY’

‘Teach us how to Pray’. A day of reflection on the Lord’s Prayer. We are holding a one-day retreat on Saturday 17 September 9.30am – 4pm in St Elizabeth’s Hall, Exeter Street.

Based around small groups working together during the day, we will be discussing and reflecting upon the prayer that Jesus taught us. This prayerfulness sits at the very centre of the practice of our faith.

- Do you feel that your prayers could be “better” somehow?
- Do you find it difficult to talk to God and to listen to Him?
- Have you got into a habit of saying the Lord’s Prayer without really thinking about it?

If you ever experience any of the above or ‘dryness’ in prayer, then this day is for you.

If you find prayer is always easy, then this day is *definitely* for you because you have so much to offer!

Please join us in a day of teaching ourselves and one another how to pray.

You can sign up after Mass at church on the sheet provided or send an email to with any questions or suggestions you may have to: [nicodemus@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:nicodemus@salisburycatholics.org)

## NICODEMUS GROUP

The Nicodemus Group meetings will be starting on **5 October** in the **St Elizabeth Hall at 7pm – 8.30pm**.

The Nicodemus Group welcomes everyone: Catholic or not, Christian or not, local or not; everyone has a place at the table. We meet once a week for six weeks at a time, three times a year.

Each session is comprised of a prayer to begin followed by a lovely home-cooked meal. We then read a short scripture passage from The Acts of the Apostles and then discuss for about forty minutes. The Nicodemus Group is named after the Pharisee in the Gospel of John. Like Nicodemus, we are seeking to meet and get to know Jesus Christ; by seeing him in one another.

We will be holding two further series of sessions in January/February and May/ June.

For more information, [click here](#) where you can see the dates and readings for each session. If you plan to attend do please get in touch with Dave Blake as we need to know how to prepare the meal for. [nicodemus@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:nicodemus@salisburycatholics.org)

## JOURNEY IN FAITH

**Journey in Faith** Our on-going programme for adults interested in Christianity who are not confirmed Catholics. The next meeting will be held on Sunday 28 August at 3pm in the Parish Rooms at St Osmund. For more information please visit ‘Becoming Catholic’ on our website main menu or [click here](#) or contact Dave Blake [nicodemus@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:nicodemus@salisburycatholics.org)