

# SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

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## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

From Fr Anthony...

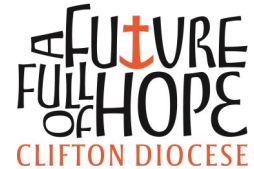
It was cold but fresh. Sky stretched into the west, wide and steely. A distant line of trees stood sentry as Canada Geese socialised in the meadows. High against green topped banks the river ran fast, silent, and clear: the splayed limbs of river weed leaned and bobbed on the current. Cathedral bells struck the quarter hour: children laughed in the distance. I felt my heart lift! Later, I remembered the lines by Angelus Silesius, 'Do not seek God in outer space... your heart is the only place in which to meet Him face to face.'

Scripturally, the heart is the home of Desire... feelings of wanting or wishing for something necessary for life, leading, ultimately, to desire for God. Desires are referred to as 'the nations', (all the nations will be assembled before him). The desire, in the heart, for God is called Israel (יִשְׂרָאֵל, yashar and el meaning, straight to God). Israel moves towards God by correcting all desires (nations) so they reflect how God lives and desires. God is too big to comprehend; but our neighbour, in whom God resides, is not. Desires are corrected by living for and finding God in our neighbour, i.e. awareness of personal desire leads, through perception, to awareness of our neighbours' desire; we live in a manner such that their desire is fulfilled, where appropriate, as well as ours. Finding God in each other we live for one another. This releases us from the confinement (eternal punishment) of self-centredness.

To be clear; we are not attempting to eradicate desires; simply correcting them by using them to understand the desires of others; intending their needs be met. What we will not accept for ourselves... we will not accept for others. When we receive from others we do so with the intention of giving them the pleasure of giving... not with the intention of pleasing ourselves.

Deeper, there are desires affecting the inner person, e.g. the desire for being accepted for who we truly are, without condemnation or conditions. Knowing this for ourselves we treat others accordingly... we clothe them with our love, understanding and acceptance (clothing the naked stranger). Refusing to see others through the limitation of a social label we release them from a social prison, and so on.

The person whose heart is corrected in favour of God, through his neighbour, has Christ within him as King of his heart.



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### Parish Office

**Due to lockdown, the office is currently closed until 3 December.**  
*Emails and phone messages are being picked up and responded to.*

**01722 562703**  
[office@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:office@salisburycatholics.org)

### 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 : 2689**



# 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 of the feast from "Christ The King" to "Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe". He also moved it to the new date of the final Sunday of the liturgical year. For more on this feast click on the image in the 'Top News' box or go directly to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/blog/Our-Lord-Jesus-Christ>

## 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. Click on the image in the 'Top News' box or go to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/blog/saint-andrew-dung-lac>

**CCS ADOPTION** We have received a thankyou from Clifton Children's Society for our recent donation of £245.39. Over the past five years we have donated £2,731.48. Many thanks to all those who have contributed to this worthwhile charity. Anyone who is interested in adoption please contact them for an informal discussion with no obligation. Email [info@ccsadoption.org](mailto:info@ccsadoption.org) Phone 0117 935 0005 Website <https://ccsadoption.org/>

**BETHLEHEM VIRTUAL FESTIVAL** A virtual celebration of Bethlehem's rich and diverse cultural scene through music, film, dance, cookery and panel discussion. At the end of an extraordinary year, from 3-7 December, this famous town in Palestine will be presenting events through pre-recorded performances, short films and live panel discussions. For the full press release see our blog at: <https://salisburycatholics.org/blog/bethlehem-virtual-festival>

**CLIFTON LITURGICAL DIARIES 2021** have now been delivered and will be available for purchase at all our churches at the end of the current lockdown for £6.50. These are very useful if you follow Mass on the livestream so that you know which readings etc. to expect each day and be ready for Mass. You can purchase a diary from the Parish Office (at the back of the Parish Rooms at St Osmund's) **from 3 December onwards**. If you would like one but cannot get to the office, contact us by email [office@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:office@salisburycatholics.org) or ring 01722 562703.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION** courses are currently being run via Zoom. You are invited to participate in a preparation course prior to the baptism of your child. To join a course or for more information, please contact Deacon John Proctor on 07802 631968 or email [john@alabare.org](mailto:john@alabare.org)

**GIFT AID OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** If you would like to receive your numbered Gift Aid envelopes, please call 01722 562703 or email [office@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:office@salisburycatholics.org) However, due to the risks involved in handling cash, we would prefer parishioners to make their offerings via bank transfer/standing order quoting Offertory followed by their envelope number e.g. OFFERTORY ENV 10. Call or email the parish office if you need to be reminded of your number or our bank details or need any help to achieve this. If you are a taxpayer and do not currently Gift Aid your donation, please contact us to set this up. Many thanks.

## HEALTH AND SAFETY

With each new phase of the government response to the COVID pandemic, new sets of guidelines are produced. From these, the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales produce guidelines to be implemented in our churches and during services. The most up to date guidelines from our Bishops are always posted immediately on our website. Find the current guidelines at: <https://salisburycatholics.org/november-20> We have both a parish and a diocesan Health and Safety representative who ensure that these guidelines are translated into practices and protocols in our churches. If you have any questions, concerns or comments, please direct them to: [HS.salisbury.catholic@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:HS.salisbury.catholic@cliftondiocese.com)

**PAUSE FOR FAITH** We have an interesting debate presented by Fr Stephen Wang recorded during the first lockdown on 'Will Catholics go back to Mass after Lockdown?'. Fr Stephen outlines reasons for both being cautious on one side and optimistic on the other. Please click on the 'Pause for Faith' button on the homepage of our website or go directly to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/pause-faith>

**NOVEMBER: PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD** During November we pray especially for the Holy Souls. If you would like to add the names of your departed loved ones to those already placed before the altar, please call 01722 562703 or email [office@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:office@salisburycatholics.org) The names placed before the altars at St Gregory and Holy Redeemer have now been brought to St Osmund. Our Friday evening Masses (**19:00, livestream ONLY**) during November will be celebrated for all those named.

**THE GOD WHO SPEAKS** There is another excellent reflection on video by Father Jim Golka on this weekend's Gospel (Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe) on our website. The reflection is just 3 minutes. Click on 'The God Who Speaks' button on our Homepage or go directly to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/god-who-speaks>

Also on this page is the third in a series of monthly reflections by Fr Henry Wansbrough OSB in which he responds to some of the questions that many people have about the Bible. In this third video reflection by Fr Henry, he discusses the Psalms.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** We have a children's liturgy of the word for last weekend's Gospel: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 'Matthew 25 The Parable of the talents'. Click on 'Church TV' then select 'Children's Liturgy' or go directly to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/childrens-liturgy>

**CREDO** Fr Andrew Eburne continues his journey through the articles of the Creed. We have the seventh podcast in this series 'The Incarnation'. For this, and the previous six, (more to follow) just click on the image in the 'Top News' box or go to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/credo>

**SUNDAY HOMILY** The latest podcast from Bishop Robert Barron on this Sunday (22 November) is now on our website. Bishop Barron focuses on the first reading from Ezekiel 'The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself...'. Click on the 'Sunday Homily' button on our Homepage or go directly to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/sunday-homily>

**MUSIC IN ISOLATION** We have added two beautiful hymns. 'In Christ Alone' and 'You Raise Me Up'. Just click on the 'Music in Isolation' button on our home page or go to <https://salisburycatholics.org/music-isolation>

**SCRIPTURE IN SONG** This feature associates an element of scripture with song each month. For November we have 'Kingdom on Earth' (Mt 5:1-12). Previous months are also available: October ('I am with you always' Mt 28:19-20). September (Ps 103), August ('Love one another' Mt 22:36-40), and July ('Do not worry' Mt 6:25-34). Just click on the button 'Scripture in Song' or go directly to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/scripture-song>

#### **CURRENT GOVERNMENT LOCKDOWN EFFECTIVE FROM THURSDAY 5 NOVEMBER - 2 DECEMBER**

The coming week continues with no public Masses. However, we continue with a full Mass schedule which is available to view live or as a recording via our website at: <https://salisburycatholics.org/st-osmunds> The Mass schedule for the forthcoming week is on the back page as normal.

During the following week (commencing Sunday 29 November), **legislation permitting**, we will be returning to Mass with a congregation as soon as we are allowed to do so. Following the most up to date advice, we hope this will be from **Thursday 3 December** onwards and you can book a place at those Masses by sending an email to: [booking@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:booking@salisburycatholics.org) or call 01722 562703.

## BOOKING TO ATTEND MASS IN PERSON

Please note that we have a new email address for taking Mass bookings.

Please ring or email to book to attend Mass on this email address and telephone number only:

***booking@salisburycatholics.org***

**01722 562703**

As you can imagine, we receive a huge number of emails for Mass booking and we anticipate that this will only increase as Christmas approaches. By having a dedicated email address for Mass booking ONLY this will enable us to accept help from volunteers and to keep all Mass booking emails separate from other parish matters. When you book to attend Mass, please limit the subject matter of your email to Mass booking only - as these emails may be opened, read and responded to by volunteers assisting in the office. For all other parish, pastoral or confidential matters, please continue to use the existing email addresses as shown on the front page of this newsletter.

## CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

It is now clear that social-distancing and booking a place at Mass are still going to be required over the Christmas period. This severely limits the number of attendees at any one Mass but we are committed to ensuring that as many people as possible will be able to come to Mass at Christmas. To that end, our priests are celebrating many more Masses than is normal. **We strongly encourage you to book your place at a Christmas Mass as soon as possible.** This will not only secure a place at the Mass you wish to attend but it will also help us enormously, enabling us to spread the workload of taking bookings, organising and recruiting stewards, arranging church cleaning between each Mass and seat-planning. If we all work together to support and help each other, we can ensure that everyone who wants a place at Mass at Christmas will get one.

### THURSDAY 24 DECEMBER

#### CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL MASSES

16:00	St Gregory
17:00	St Osmund
19:00	Holy Redeemer
20:00	St Osmund
21:30	St Osmund
24:00	St Gregory

### FRIDAY 25 DECEMBER

#### CHRISTMAS MORNING MASSES

08:00	St Osmund	<i>(no music)</i>
08:30	Holy Redeemer	
09:00	St Osmund	
09:00	St Gregory	
10:30	St Gregory	<i>(Ordinariate MASS)</i>
11:00	St Osmund	

Booking for Christmas opens on **Monday 23 November**. Ideally, please email letting us know which Mass you wish to attend and how many people are in your social 'bubble'. If you are not a registered parishioner, we will also need a telephone number for contact tracing purposes. If you do not use email, call us on 01722 562703.

***booking@salisburycatholics.org***

### STEWARDS AT CHRISTMAS MASSES - More volunteers needed

Could you be a steward at one of our Christmas Masses? Under the current guidelines, we are obliged to have stewards at Mass to ensure that minimum health and safety standards are met. Stewarding involves greeting Mass attendees as they arrive, directing them to their seat and sanitising the pews once everyone has left, ready for the next Mass. If you are in good health and could help us, please volunteer as soon as possible. This will allow us time to complete the necessary recruitment checklist with you, plan a rota to cover the Christmas Masses and give the necessary guidance regarding the role. Our existing team of stewards is not large enough to cover all the Masses listed above. Thank you.

# LITURGY THIS WEEK

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**ALL LITURGIES WILL OCCUR WITHOUT A PUBLIC  
CONGREGATION PRESENT  
MASSES WILL BE LIVESTREAMED  
AND RECORDED FROM ST OSMUND**

<https://salisburycatholics.org/church-tv>

## **Saturday 21 November Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

10:00 MASS Yvonne Fox RIP

## **SUNDAY 22 November OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

10:00 MASS In Thanksgiving  
12:00 Ordinariate MASS  
18:00 MASS Ted and Cath Hadaway RIP

## **Monday 23 November**

10:00 MASS Davey Kenny RIP  
19:00 MASS Michael Dean RIP

## **Tuesday 24 November Saints Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions**

10:00 MASS Esther and Family  
All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
18:40 Benediction  
19:00 MASS

## **Wednesday 25 November**

10:00 **REQUIEM MASS for Michael Dean RIP**  
19:00 Ordinariate MASS

## **Thursday 26 November**

10:00 MASS  
All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
18:40 Benediction  
19:00 MASS

## **Friday 27 November**

10:00 MASS  
19:00 MASS For the Holy Souls

## **Saturday 28 November**

10:00 MASS Alfred Bowley RIP

## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*Spiritual Communion is the heartfelt desire to receive Our Lord, even when we are unable to be present. The desire to receive him through spiritual Communion is an act of love which prolongs our thanksgiving even when we are not in the Eucharistic presence of Our Lord.*

My Jesus, I believe that You are truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as being already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

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## **POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER**

### **Universal: Artificial Intelligence**

That the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

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

## **CLIFTON DIOCESE**

We pray this week for All University / College / School Chaplaincies in the diocese.

## **PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Please remember all those who have died: Michael Dean, Yvonne Fox, Janet Mair Brown and Sheila Miles and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

## **INDIVIDUAL PRIVATE PRAYER**

### **St Osmund**

10:30 - 14:00 - the church will be open.

Outside of these hours, please ring on the presbytery door to be given access to the church.

**No Private Prayer on Monday 23 November due to work in the porch.**

### **St Gregory**

If you would like access to the church for private prayer, please ring the doorbell at the presbytery on St Gregory's Avenue between 12:00 - 14:00 and Fr Jonathan, if at home, will unlock the church for you.

## **SUNDAY SCRIPTURE**

*Ezekiel 34:11-12. 15-17*

*Ps 22*

**The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.**

*1 Corinthians 15:20-26. 28*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!**

**Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!**

**Alleluia!**

*Matthew 25:31-46*

**MARRIAGES** : Under the current guidelines, these must be deferred. Please speak to the priest for further guidance.

**FUNERALS**: Please speak to the priest for guidance - **current Government guidance imposes a maximum of 30 attendees.**

**BAPTISMS**: In accordance with government guidelines, all baptisms booked prior 2 December have been postponed. Baptism preparation courses are taking place on Zoom. Contact Deacon John Proctor on 07802 631968 or email [john@alabare.org](mailto:john@alabare.org)