

# SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

HOLY REDEEMER + ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND

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## ORDINARY TIME WEEK 30(C)

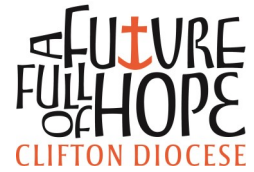
### From Father Anthony

We were on our way home after a joyous meeting with fellow priests... Fr Joseph at the wheel. The road curved and stretched away before us gently rising in a straight line. He nodded a smile... Autumn was doing its best to show off and capture our hearts. It succeeded. Surrounded by a delicate light blue sky in crystal clear air, an avenue of trees lined the road away to a distant brow. It provided us with an honour guard of light and dark greens, russet browns, reds and yellows and was spectacular. Up close we would never have seen the beauty but from a distance it all fell into view.

*'...the tax collector stood off at a distance', and would, 'not raise his eyes to heaven'. Spiritually he might stand for that part of our nature that looks within; into the distance of its own being. Here we see how often and in what manner we have missed the mark, (be merciful to me a sinner). We see the avenue of our life lined with all that we got wrong. We see what we are not from who we truly are. We experience our true nature, our beauty and our ultimate righteousness (sameness) with God. On this road we sense God and experience His beauty. Which is in marked contrast to that part of our nature that takes refuge in its own idea of itself, always wants to justify itself, must always be in the right and looks down balefully upon those who do not fit in with the world made in its image and likeness... and we wonder why the world is in a mess!*

In spiritual life and in the life of prayer much is made of silence, observation, detachment and the ability to listen - *not only with the ear but also with the heart*. These are the vehicles by which we gain distance from what we have made of ourselves. By them we see the mess and chaos we have caused; but rather than constantly justifying ourselves we can now simply admit... *'I got it wrong'*, and, if need be, say sorry. And that opens up a completely new experience... the experience of feeling the burning Love God has for us.

*Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; whoever humbles himself will be exalted'...* is not a threat! It is a promise of joy to come!



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### OUR CHURCHES

**St Osmund**  
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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"

## PARISH MERGER UPDATE - FROM FR ANTHONY

Greetings. I hope you had a lovely summer.

Now that the preliminary work is over and the Bishop along with the Council of Priests have agreed our proposed Merger, I can inform you that we will formally Merge our three Parishes on **Saturday the 26th November** at **1200hrs** at a Mass where the Decree formalising our Merger will be read out. The Mass has to be celebrated in St Osmund's as this will be the Named Parish Church.

Naturally, everyone is invited to attend the Mass. Seating is tight, as you know, and there will be an overspill area created in St Osmund's Parish Hall where the Liturgy can be followed on television if need be.

It is an historic event in the life of our three parishes and, as you have made clear to me, is the correct way forward. I do hope you can be part of the celebration. There will be a reception in Elizabeth Hall afterwards and I hope to see you there too.

A great deal of work has gone into making the merger possible and I would like to thank all those who have contributed so much of their time, expertise and good will. Without you it would not have happened.

Love and prayers, Anthony

## WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER

Is this Sunday, the one day in the year when the entire global Church comes together in support of mission. Coordinated by Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission, this is an opportunity to support every mission diocese and faith community which need our help. For more information, a message from Pope Francis and videos please [click here](#) or click on the image in the 'Top News' box. There will be a retiring collection this weekend. Envelopes are available in our churches for those who wish to 'Gift Aid' their donation.

## 24HR PRAYER VIGIL

Starting this Sunday evening there will be a will be a 24 hour prayer vigil before the Blessed Sacrament at St Osmund's Church for Deacon John Proctor and all those others in our parish currently suffering ill-health. Our vigil will begin at the 6pm Sunday Mass and will close with Benediction at 6pm on Monday. Thank you to all those who those who have signed up to attend in person or online. Please do feel free to join in prayer by dropping in either in person or online during the 24 hour period. There is no need to book simply come along or join online at any point.

**Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles 28 October** - Simon and Jude were ordinary men chosen by Jesus to teach others about God's love and to "make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19). Their lives help us to understand that even average people can become saints when they decide to follow Jesus. For more on these saints click on their image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

**Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) Christmas Cards** Please support the mission of our Church in countries and places where Christians are persecuted by buying cards from us. Cards are available now (cash or cheque only) from the Parish Office during the week and will be also be sold after the 9am and 11am Sunday Masses in the Parish Rooms at St Osmund this weekend. Please contact the office if you would be happy to sell them at the other Sunday Masses where you attend. Email: [office@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:office@salisburycatholics.org) or 01722 562703.

**Salisbury Catholic Churches Christmas Bazaar** St Gregory's are hosting our Christmas Bazaar on Sunday 20 November 2022 (see below). We are looking forward to welcoming parishioners from across Salisbury and hoping the wider community will visit too. We are also busy collecting donations (quality new and pre-loved books, games, toys, bottles and items that may be attractive Christmas gifts). Donations can be brought to any of our churches after Mass each Sunday leading up to the day itself or brought into the Parish Office during the week. Please contact Jez Mawdsley ([jeremymawdsley@gmail.com](mailto:jeremymawdsley@gmail.com)) if you have queries or would like help making a donation.

## SHARING OUR FAITH

**Nicodemus Group** - The Group will be meeting again next Wednesday 19 October, in St Elizabeth Hall, 131 Exeter Street 7– 8.30pm. For more information, please click on [‘Becoming Catholic’](#) on our website main menu.

**Journey in Faith** Our ongoing programme for adults interested in Christianity who are not confirmed Catholics. The next meeting is Sunday 30 October at 3pm in the Parish Rooms at St Osmund. For more information please visit ‘Becoming Catholic’ on our website main menu or [click here](#)

If you are interested or wish to ask questions about any of the above, please contact Dave Blake by email [nicodemus@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:nicodemus@salisburycatholics.org) or phone the parish office on 01722 562703.

**Blessing of Graves on ‘All Souls’ Day 2 November** The graves of your loved ones in the London Rd and Devizes Rd cemeteries can be blessed on this day. Meet at 3pm by the central Cross in the London Rd cemetery and just inside the gate at Devizes Rd, also at 3pm. Masses on that day will be at 10am at Holy Redeemer and 12.30pm & 6pm (Ordinariate) at St Osmund.

**November: Prayers for the Dead** During November we pray especially for the Holy Souls. There are special ‘Prayer Request’ envelopes in the church porch. Place the names of your departed loved ones in one of these envelopes and place it in the box or basket in front of the altar in each of our churches. If you are unable to come to church but would like a name/s placed, please call 01722 562703 or email [office@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:office@salisburycatholics.org) and we can do it for you. All Friday evening Masses during November will be celebrated for the repose of the souls of those named in all three churches.

**Day for Readers - 12 November** Fr Joseph is leading a Scriptural ‘retreat’ day, with short inputs on the Bible and the Reader’s role at Mass, plus time for prayer & meditation. New readers would be very welcome indeed! The day begins with the 10am Mass, continues in St Osmund’s Parish Rooms and will conclude at 3.15pm. Please bring a packed lunch. Tea and Coffee will be provided. If you plan to attend, please register your interest by contacting the parish office (ideally by email) [office@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:office@salisburycatholics.org) or call 01722 562703.

**Candlelight Carols & Benediction Wednesday 21 December 7pm at St Osmund’s Church** followed by warm mince pies & mulled wine. Fr Joseph is looking for singers to join him and will be organising three rehearsals beforehand: 30 November, 7 & 14 December 7pm - 8pm in St Osmund’s Parish Rooms. Please email the office if you’d be interested in joining in [office@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:office@salisburycatholics.org) or call 01722 562703.

**Baptism Preparation Course** has now started. There are two more sessions remaining on Tuesday 25 October and Tuesday 1 November both 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.

**Applications please for First Holy Communion and Confirmation in 2023.** For First Holy Communion, if your child is in Year 3 or above and for Confirmation Year 9 or above please apply NOW as we will soon be preparing the programmes. To apply please click on the ‘Registration/Update’ button on our home page or [click here](#).

**Sunday Homily from Bishop Robert Barron** reflects on St Paul’s words in the second reading “I have run the race to the finish”. That the spiritual life is a like a race which includes different stages; promise, energy, enthusiasm and periods of disillusionment, but a race we must finish. To listen and watch, click on the ‘Sunday Homily’ button on our homepage or [click here](#).

**Children’s Liturgy** from Catholic Kids Media: ‘What is Prayer?’ for this the 30th 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 30 and Psalter 2

### Saturday 22 October

10:00 St Osmund MASS Josephine Kohlhofer RIP

### First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

### SUNDAY 23 October

09:00 St Gregory MASS

09:00 St Osmund MASS People of the Parish

11:00 St Osmund MASS Private Intention

12:15 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS Jane Barnes RIP

18:00 St Osmund MASS For Tom & Jess in their loss.

**24 Hour Prayer Vigil Before the Blessed Sacrament after the 6pm  
Mass on Sunday to Benediction at 6pm on Monday**

### Monday 24 October

10:00 St Osmund MASS John Proctor

18:00 St Osmund Benediction

### Tuesday 25 October

10:00 St Osmund MASS

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:00 St Osmund Benediction

### Wednesday 26 October

10:00 Holy Redeemer MASS Kathleen Quinn RIP

13:00 St Osmund Requiem Mass John Say RIP

**ALL WELCOME. No need to wear black, bright coloured clothing is encouraged by Karen, John's widow.**

19:00 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

### Thursday 27 October

10:00 St Osmund MASS Thanksgiving - Jacob Jose Vazhappilly

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:00 St Osmund Benediction

### Friday 28 October SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES

10:00 St Gregory MASS

19:00 St Osmund MASS David Auckland RIP

### Saturday 29 October

10:00 St Osmund MASS Marie Therese Farley RIP

### First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS People of the Parish

## RECONCILIATION

St Gregory	Fridays	After the 10:00 Mass
St Osmund	Saturdays	10:30 to 11:00
Holy Redeemer	Saturdays	17:30 until Mass

## PRAYER & SCRIPTURE

### POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

#### For a Church open to everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality. [Click here](#).

### CLIFTON DIOCESE

We pray this week for the parishes of St Benet (Kemerton), St Joseph (Tewkesbury) and St Nicholas (Winchcombe).

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

John Say, Derek Boston, Mary Webb, Beryl Kerley and Vincent Callaghan, who died recently and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

**Advance Notice: Requiem Mass - Derek Boston RIP  
2.30pm on 9 November in St Gregory's - all welcome**

### SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

*Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14, 16-19*

*Ps 32*

**This poor man called; the Lord heard him.**

*2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,  
for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom  
to mere children.**

**Alleluia!**

*Luke 18:9-14*

## 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)





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TO WELCOME YOU  
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# 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!

