

# SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

HOLY REDEEMER + ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND

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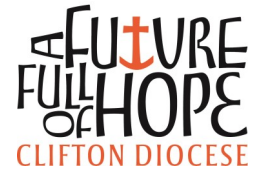
## 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B) GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

### From Father Anthony...

Ferocious birdsong announced her arrival; gangsters circled overhead. Mrs Cat sashayed across the lawn, slumped down, stretched elegantly, and looked imperiously down her back... tail swishing. I sat outside with a sandwich and some tea. The garden swayed in a warm breeze: green limbs splashed with colour. With each season it has presented a different face; form and content has changed. But, however difficult to define, its essence has remained the same; it has an underlying character all of its own.

When Moses asked God (*Exodus 3-13*) what His name was, the reply came, 'I Am that I Am' (ehyeh aser ehyeh - אֶהְיֶה אֲשֶׁר אֶהְיֶה). Effectively, God referred to Himself as the first person, past, present and future tense of the verb, 'to be'. His name is 'I Am'. He is pure unconditioned, unformed Being. He is the Absolute; that, out of which all else emerges as form and content. Yet, He is greater than and distinct from the sum of all the parts. We share in the essence and mysterious name of 'I Am'. Every time we say 'I Am', *this*, *that* or the *other*, we use His name as ours; we share in His being. It is our unique personal name. No one else can say 'I Am' of us: only of themselves. 'I Am' is a deeper experience of oneness with Christ within.

Very often we confuse 'I Am' with form or content, e.g. I am... *hungry*, I am... *happy*, I am... *big*. We define ourselves as form or content. This is an error because the sense of 'I Am' remains when form and content change. What we define ourselves as is the *hired man* in this week's Gospel. It does not have the power to transform or heal us because it is a derivative of what we truly are... 'I Am'. How we describe ourselves is a function of *what* we truly are... but not *who* we truly are. Change your race, name, occupation... you are still 'I Am'. This 'I Am' (*Christ*) is the shepherd... it is the door, the light. It is who we truly are... as essence. It is the place from which we see ourselves seeing and understanding. It is formless; it is pure awareness. It is the place where we share Oneness with our Creator. The more we rest in the Oneness of 'I Am' the more we reflect Him.



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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.

Please register online at:

<https://salisburycatholics.org>

click "Registration/update"

#### REGISTERED PARISHIONERS

TO DATE : 2733

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS - SUNDAY 25 APRIL

*Heavenly Father, in your plan for our salvation you provide shepherds for your people. Look with favour upon our homes and communities that through the Holy Spirit, men and women may be inspired with the grace of a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life, to care for your flock, minister at your altars and be ardent but gentle servants of the Gospel.*

Visit our web page for a message from Pope Francis and two short videos by clicking on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

## FEAST OF SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA - 29 APRIL

Catherine Benincasa, born in Siena at a date that remains uncertain, was favoured with visions from the age of seven. Becoming a tertiary of the Dominican Order, she acquired great influence by her life of prayer as well as by the spread of her spiritual writings. Her continual appeals for civil peace and reform of the Church make her one of the leading figures of the fourteenth century. She died in Rome on April 29, 1380. We have a short video about her life with a text summary on our website - click on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

### **The Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist**

The real presence of Christ in the Eucharist is a doctrine – an official teaching of the Catholic Church – and a profound mystery. With the words of consecration, the whole of Christ is truly present – Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity – under the appearances of bread and wine. Yet in polls conducted in 2019 an alarmingly high percentage of those who claim to be Catholic do not believe in the Real Presence. This issue is addressed in a talk given by Bishop Robert Barron. To watch and listen click on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

**Historical Items from St Osmund's** - We have had a great response for volunteers from across the Deanery for bubble wrapping and labelling of the items being transported to Bath. If you would like to join in with this effort, we would love to hear from you! Please email: [office@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:office@salisburycatholics.org) or ring the office on 01722 562703.

### **May Devotions to Our Lady**

Starting Friday 7 May there will a short time of Marian Devotion in St Osmund's Church at 18:20 each Friday evening in May preceding the 19:00 Mass. Everyone is most welcome to join, please book in the normal way if you would like to attend in person.

**Offertory Envelopes** - envelopes for the current financial year have now arrived to the parish office. However, due to changes in Diocesan procedures for handling Gift Aid, we are no longer able to use our 'standard' Offertory Envelopes for non-tax paying members of the planned giving scheme. This means that if you are not a tax-payer (and therefore your offering does not qualify for Gift Aid), you will not receive a set of envelopes when they are made available over the coming two weekends. However, we do plan to offer an alternative to you and we will be in touch shortly about this. For those who are tax-payers, your offertory envelopes are currently being distributed by your church. In St Gregory's & Holy Redeemer they are available now, in St Osmund's they will be distributed from next weekend. If you are not currently attending Mass in person and would like to collect your envelopes from the Parish Office during the week, please let us know - phone 01722 562703 [office@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:office@salisburycatholics.org)

### **Meetings on Zoom**

Please use the contacts below if you would like to join (all are welcome).

Tuesdays at 19:30	'Catch' (towards Pentecost)	Deacon John <a href="mailto:john.proctor@clifftondiocese.com">john.proctor@clifftondiocese.com</a>
Wednesdays at 14:30	Rosary Group	Josephine on 01722 328410
Thursdays at 18:30	Downton Service of the Word	<a href="mailto:michael.rennie@velaplan.co.uk">michael.rennie@velaplan.co.uk</a>
Tuesday at 15:00	11 May HR/Whaddon House Mass	Tony on 01722 562703
Wednesday at 14:00	12 May Rosary Group House Mass	Josephine on 01722 328410

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to Thomas, Isabella, Edward, Jasmin, Sumirah, Arya, Cara, Alexandra and Edward who made their First Communion last weekend. Photos can be accessed from the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

### First Holy Communion 2021

Unlike Confirmation preparation (which normally involves much smaller numbers), each year we have approximately 50 children from the Salisbury Catholic Churches who, together as a large group, prepare to receive the Eucharist. It is very clear that, given the numbers involved and under current conditions, it is time to adopt a different model – a creative, home-centred approach which is supported by the parish. To that end, we have been looking at online resources to assist parents in helping their children as they prepare to receive the Eucharist. **If you have a child that is currently in Year 3 at school whom you would like to make their First Communion** during the forthcoming year, please complete the online First Holy Communion Application Form at <https://p1.pamis.co.uk/salisbury/onlined01cab> This form can also be accessed from the homepage of our website by clicking the 'Registration' button. **Please complete this online form even if you have already expressed interest either by email, telephone call or in person**, so that we can be confident we have not missed anyone out. Once you have completed the online application process, we will get in touch with further details. Many thanks.

**SCORE** Date for your diary: Monday 10 May at 19:00: a special meeting will be held via Zoom. An invitation and link to the meeting will be provided by John Proctor. Please email him at [john.proctor@clifftondiocese.com](mailto:john.proctor@clifftondiocese.com). For more details of the meeting [click here](#).

**Dare to Dream 2020-21** We have for the 3rd Week of Easter a reflection 'Becoming the Face of Christ' and a video with Fr. Bernard Massey where he shares the dreams of Year 6 children for the future of our Church. You can watch this video and all the previous videos with reflections on our 'Dare to Dream' page; click on the 'Dare to Dream' button on the homepage or by [clicking here](#).

**Children's Meditation: 'In My Heart Room'** We have the seventh in a series of lovely audio meditations for children by Frances Rolleston. This week, the meditation is called 'My Road to Emmaus'. You are asked to imagine you are walking with the Disciples on the road to Emmaus. You can access it by clicking on the 'Children's Corner' button on our homepage or by [clicking here](#).

**Daily Readings:** We now have a button on our home page which will give a video of the day's readings narrated by Deacon Keith Fournier. So you can now watch and listen to the Word of God each day, just click on the button on the homepage or [click here](#).

**The God Who Speaks** - There is another short video homily by Fr Jim Golka on the scripture of the 4th Sunday of Easter that is only 3 minutes long. [Click here](#) or on 'The God Who Speaks' button on our homepage.

**Sunday Homily** - 'Getting St Peter's sermon right' by Bishop Robert Barron. St. Peter tells us that there is no salvation outside of Christ. In this homily, Bishop Barron encourages us to let the truth of St. Peter's statement, which challenges modern sensibilities, sink in and further explore what this means precisely for both Christians and non-Christians. Click on the 'Sunday Homily' button on our homepage or [click here](#).

**Children's Liturgy** - We have a reflection for this weekend the 4th Sunday of Easter; 'Jesus: the Good Shepherd and the Cornerstone!'. To view click on 'Church TV' then select 'Children's Liturgy' or [click here](#).

**Saint Peter** How did Peter transform from an uneducated fisherman into one of the most celebrated and beloved Jesus-followers in history? New Testament scholar Con Campbell wanted to find out. To view the final episode 'Peter's Last Days' click on the 'Saint Peter' button on the home page or [click here](#).

**Music in Isolation** We have added the Psalm for this weekend 'The stone the builders rejected' Psalm 118. Just click on the 'Music in Isolation' button on our homepage or [click here](#).

# LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year B-1 Easter Week 4, Psalter 4 and Proper of Season

**Please book if you would like to attend Mass in person.**

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## Saturday 24 April

10:00 St Osmund MASS Josephine Kohlhofer RIP

## First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS Jan Wood RIP

## SUNDAY 25 April

09:00 St Gregory MASS People of the Parish

09:00 St Osmund MASS Doris Phelan RIP

11:00 St Osmund MASS Mary Robson RIP

12:15 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

18:00 St Osmund MASS Special intention

## Monday 26 April

10:00 St Osmund MASS Maria Dowiny

## Tuesday 27 April

10:00 St Osmund MASS Jerry King RIP

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:40 St Osmund Benediction

## Wednesday 28 April

10:00 St Osmund MASS Deceased members of the Ryan families

19:00 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

## Thursday 29 April SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA

10:00 St Osmund MASS Frank Farley RIP

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:40 St Osmund Benediction

## Friday 30 April

19:00 St Osmund MASS Brian & Feithlinn Whitehead RIP

## Saturday 1 May

10:00 St Osmund MASS Mary Robson RIP

## First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS People of the Parish

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Gregory	On request	Contact priests
St Osmund	Saturdays	10:30 to 11:30
Holy Redeemer	Saturdays	17:30 until Mass

# PRAYER & SCRIPTURE

## POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR APRIL

### Universal: Fundamental Rights

For those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis. [Click here](#)

## CLIFTON DIOCESE

We pray this week for the parishes of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Chippenham and St Patrick, Corsham.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

We also remember in our prayers all those who have died: Frances Phelan, Garth Vaughan-Brown and Muriel Maloney and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

## SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

*Acts 4: 8-12*

*Ps 117*

**The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone.**

*1 John 3:1-2*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my own sheep and my own know me.  
Alleluia!**

*John 10:11-18*

## SACRAMENTS

**MARRIAGES** Please speak to the priest for guidance.

**FUNERALS** Please speak to the priest for guidance.

**BAPTISMS** Can now take place in accordance with government guidelines and preparation courses are taking place on Zoom. Please contact Deacon John Proctor on 07802 631968 or email [john@alabare.org](mailto:john@alabare.org)

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** If you have a child in Year 3 or above, 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](#)  
*(Please note that the current programme is already underway and is now full)*