PARISH OF ST OSMUND HOLY REDEEMER + ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND

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ORDINARY TIME WEEK 12(A)

From Father Anthony

It was deliciously cool and fresh. I unlocked the church, lit the candle by the candle-stand, made some tea and sat outside to watch the sun rise. It promised to be another scorcher. Gangsters argued in the eaves: Brown Sparrows held a noisy briefing in the hedge. The garden looked luscious and ready to burst. With yellow eyes and the colour of coal, a solitary form slinked across the lawn. A new cat! I made some cheerful sounds; he froze, face startled... then full of fear, fled. Oh well, maybe next time!

'Fear no one'. Fear can occupy a large part of our lives: and not just the fear of violence or being alone in the dark watching a horror film. There is fear of not having enough money: of losing a job; of being alone; of losing face at home or at work. Fear insinuates its poisonous tentacles into most areas of life. It squashes spontaneity, imprisons freedom of expression and spoils relaxation; it keeps us on edge and robs us of a tremendous amount of energy and clear thinking.

The antidote to fear is acknowledgement of Christ, 'Everyone who acknowledges me before others.' The word translated as 'acknowledge' is $\dot{\delta}\mu o\lambda o\gamma \dot{\epsilon}\omega$, homologuo. Some translate it as 'confess'. It means 'to speak the same thing'... to speak the same thing as Christ. Which, of course, implies that we know Christ's Mind and agree with it; that is, we 'voice the same conclusion' as Christ about anything and everything!

Time spent in prayer, in reading the scriptures, in being attentive to others and of service to them will help enormously in becoming like Christ. First, however, we have to want to be like Him and prepared to be transformed by Him. We must be ready to let go of our earthly mind so as to take on His. This mind is rooted in Peace. It is a mind that knows no fear and therefore brings release from it as our minds are transformed. This mind is sure and confident, quiet and understanding. It is the Mind of God and it can be ours without any loss of personal freedom or individuality.

Once experienced, fear flees. The lies and falsehoods of the world - and our own - are uncovered and seen for the empty illusions they are. The fantastic joy this brings makes us want to 'proclaim it from the housetops.'



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NEW TO THE PARISH? We wish you a very warm welcome. Please register online at: <u>https://salisburycatholics.org</u> <u>click "Registration/update"</u>





Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles (29 June) - Holy Day of Obligation

"These apostles share the same feast day, for these two were one; and even though they suffered on different days, they were as one. Peter went first, and Paul followed. And so we celebrate this day made holy for us by the apostles' blood. Let us embrace what they believed, their life, their labours, their sufferings, their preaching, and their confession of faith." – St Augustine

For more on these principle pillars of the Church founded by Christ and a reflection by Bishop Robert Barron, please click on the image in the 'Top News' box or <u>click here</u>

Masses are being celebrated in **St Osmund's at 6pm on Wednesday 28 June Vigil (Ordinariate)** and on Thursday 29 June 10am in St Osmund, 12 noon in Holy Redeemer and 7pm in St Gregory **Please note -** there will be retiring collection for Peter's Pence next Sunday.

Confirmation 27 June 2023 7pm St Osmund

The Confirmation Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Declan, joined by all of the priests and deacons of our Deanery. This is an important sacrament for the candidates as it completes the three sacraments of initiation into the Catholic Church. In Confirmation, the candidates will be sealed with and receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit to help them live out their Christian calling. This is a cause for celebration for the whole Deanery. Parents please bring donations of finger- food for the celebration afterwards in the Parish Rooms, these can be dropped off prior to Mass. Do please keep the candidates in your prayers.

Volunteers needed - if you would be willing to help set up the room/serve tea & coffee etc, we would love your help. Also - Flower arranging and cleaning the church from 6-7pm on Monday 26th: please help if you can.

Altar Linen at St Osmund's Church. Since the return of Communion under both kinds, we are once again using more altar linen at Mass and would like to re-form our group of parishioners who would be willing once per month to launder and iron a small number of purificators, corporals and cloths on a rota basis. We already have two volunteers and so only need two more. Full instructions as to the proper way to handle the linen will be given. Please contact the parish office if you would like to help *office@salisburycatholics.org* 01722 562703

Moving Back into St Gregory's. Redecoration of St Gregory's is nearly complete. We're looking forward to moving back into our newly decorated and much loved church! We need volunteers to help us move back immediately following the 9am Mass this Sunday 25 June. We need volunteers to help and everyone is welcome to join in. Hopefully it won't take much more than an hour's effort. Many hands make light work!

EdUKaid are celebrating their 20th Anniversary on Saturday 1 of July from 7pm at Salisbury Guildhall. A great night to include dinner, the Deloreons band, auction and much more. Tickets are £65 per person available from Sarah or Tim Varney. Please email *svarney1@me.com* to order tickets or for further information.

Salisbury Foodbank. During July we are collecting toilet rolls and long life fruit juice for the Foodbank. Donated items can be placed in the box at the back of each church or in the Parish Office.

My Generation on Wednesday 5 July 2023, there will be no afternoon session as the group will be out for the day. For further information please contact Chris on 01722 321109.

Art Group meets on Mondays between 10.30am-12.30pm in St Osmund's Parish Rooms. All are welcome, whether you have painted or drawn before or never. Contact John and Elizabeth on 01725 510310

Bible Book Club meets on Tuesdays in the Parish Rooms 10:45am-12:30pm. For further details contact John on 01725 510310.

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.



FR ANTHONY'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION Summer BBQ/Fun Day Sunday 30 July 12 to 4.30 pm at St Osmund's Primary School



We are all invited to a wonderful afternoon being organised by parishioners from all three Churches. There will be a **free barbecue and drink** and we will be asking parishioners to bring salads and side dishes to share. <u>If you have any food allergies</u>, please bring (and keep separate) your own food as we cannot guarantee that the food provided will be allergen free. Although the event is free, we need everyone planning to attend to claim a **free** ticket so that we can assess accurately how much food and drink to provide and avoid any waste. Tickets will be available after all our Sunday Masses or you can pop into the Parish Office during the week or contact us on 01722 562703 *outreach@salisburycatholics.org*

The event will feature: A Bouncy Castle, Didicars and Hoppers provided by Salisbury Catenians. Other activities will be Live Music, Face Painting, a Beat the Goalie competition, Giant Jenga and Giant Connect 4 games. There will be a Bottle stall and a Cake stall which volunteers will run with cakes and bottles provided by YOU! Please bring bottles to the Office at anytime and cakes preferably on Friday 28 July. Please do claim your free tickets and support this event which will be an ideal occasion to get to know some of our new parishioners who have joined the parish. Got an idea that you'd like to add? Willing to help? Don't hold back! Contact us, call the Office 01722 562703 or email: *outreach@salisburycatholics.org*

50th Anniversary of Clifton Cathedral - Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving: 30 June at 11am. All are welcome to join Bishop Declan and Concelebrants, Ecumenical and Civic guests. To reserve a place please visit our website 'Blog' or <u>click here</u> for all the information. Fr Anthony and Fr Joseph will be concelebrating at the Mass and so if parishioners would like to attend but do not have transport, there are six seats available on a first come, first served basis in their cars. Email: *office@salisburycatholics.org*. The Mass can be viewed live on our website, just visit our 'Church TV' page and click on 'Clifton Cathedral' or just <u>click here</u>.

Date for your Diary - 'Day of Prayer for the Sick of the Parish' Tuesday 25 July. The day will consist of: Mass, followed by Confessions & Anointing, All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction and again an opportunity for Confessions & Anointing.

Youth Work Leader 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. This could be one full-time position or two part-time positions. For further details of the role, please click on the 'Youth Work Leader' button on our home page or <u>click here</u>. Applications should be made in writing with a CV attached. All correspondence and applications should be directed to *john.proctor@cliftondiocese.com*.

Homily from Bishop Robert Barron reflects on the need for us all to answer two basic questions of ourselves. First; Deep down, what do we want? Second: Ultimately, what are we afraid of? In a way, answering those two questions will tell us everything we need to know about ourselves, spiritually speaking. To listen and watch, click on the 'Sunday Homily' button on our homepage or <u>click here</u>.

Children's Liturgy from Catholic Kids Media: 'What are you afraid of ?' A fun Catholic reflection for children based on the readings for this Sunday . Click on 'Children's Liturgy' on our homepage or <u>click here</u>.

LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year A-1 Week 12 and Psalter 4

Satu	rday 2	24 June				
10:00	0	St Osmun	d	MASS	Bridie & Harry Clapham RIP	
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18:00	0	Holy Rede	emer	MASS	People of the Parish	
SUN	DAY 2	25 June				
09:00	0	St Gregory	/	MASS	Roy Muricken RIP	
09:00	0	St Osmun	d	MASS	Paula Elvin RIP	
11:00	0	St Osmund		MASS	Susan White RIP	
12:1	2:15 St Osmund		Ordinariate Mass			
18:00	0	St Osmun	d	MASS	Tony Broughton 101st Birthday	
Mon	day 20	6 June				
10:00	0	St Osmun	d	MASS	Doris Phelan RIP	
Tues	sday 2	7 June				
10:00	0	St Osmun	d	MASS	Intention of Maire Ivory	
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Prayer & Scripture

Pope Francis Intention for June For the abolition of torture

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families. <u>Click here</u>.

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We pray this week for the parishes of St Augustine of Canterbury (Downend), Our Lady of Lourdes & St Bernadette (Kingswood) and St Lawrence (Chipping Sodbury) with St Paul (Yate) Bristol.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Ann Gillam, Patricia Thomas, Janet O'Callaghan, Margaret (Peggy) Fletcher, Carlo Campari and Ken McNally. We also pray for those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 20:10-13

Psalm 68

In your great love, answer me, O God

Romans 5:12-15

Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us: to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!

Matthew 10:26-33

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS For baptisms please register your application <u>click here</u>. 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 2024, please use our online form to apply to join our next preparation programme. <u>Click here</u>.

CONFIRMATION If you have a child in Year 9 or above, please use our online form to apply to join our next preparation programme. <u>Click here</u>

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*