

SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

HOLY REDEEMER + ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND

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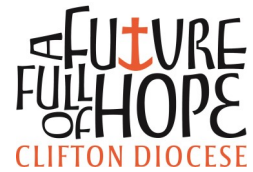
ORDINARY TIME WEEK 26 (A)

From Fr Anthony...

To bed, full of good intentions... after morning prayer, I'll Hoover the house, do some washing and ironing, then some shopping. A little pig flew over the moon that night. After prayer... well, a cup of tea. And, it was so nice... I had to sit outside. And, some very kind, generous people have given the garden a haircut... I had to take it all in. It's lovely: clean, tidy, more definition and I can see the grave stones again. The vines are smiling; the roses positively beaming. Birds sang and a warm breeze rustled the leaves... you get the picture. Yes, I felt guilty. Desire to please myself had quickly replaced good intentions!!

Understanding the desire to please oneself is an important part of spiritual development. *All* of life is a Gift. Gifts are given to please. God's intention, being the Giver of *everything*, is to please us. We are '*hard wired*' to Receive because God, and only God, is the Giver. We cannot give God anything; we can only receive. Increasingly, *pleasure* becomes the criterion behind receiving; I avoid what I don't like and take what I do... e.g. moving on a seat brings me the pleasure of comfort. Receiving for pleasure makes me egotistical. Also, once I have something I can no longer receive it; I want something else... on and on it goes, leaving me empty. The cycle of egoistic reception and consequent emptiness causes me to search for another way. I find that only by being like my Maker (*through giving*), will I be happy. How is the change from *receiving* to *giving* accomplished when I am only a receiver? By changing the *intention* behind the way, I receive! Instead of intending to receive for myself, I intend to receive so that God *has the pleasure of giving*. I now become a giver. The *intention* behind my life is not *self-centred* but *God centred*.

The Gospel points to this subtle change of intention; it has huge implications for life. With my intention focussed on Him I feel how my very existence pleases Him...regardless of how I feel. Through *receiving to give God the pleasure of giving* I come to understand the intention *behind* His Giving. I begin to fuse with His mind, see the world as He sees it, understand His thought behind it all. I walk into life (*the vineyard*) to do his bidding .



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Monday - Friday 09:00 - 17:00

The parish office is now located in the Newman Room (at the back of the Parish Rooms at St Osmund's)

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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. Pop into the Newman Room and say hello! Please register online at: <https://salisburycatholics.org> click "Registration/update"

**REGISTERED PARISHIONERS
TO DATE : 2662**



THOMAS LAWES - ORDAINED PRIEST - PRAISE BE TO GOD!



Thomas is to be ordained this weekend, 26 September at 11am in Clifton Cathedral and is coming to Salisbury to celebrate his first Masses at the 9 & 11am Mass on Sunday (27th). **These Masses are now fully booked.** Please do not arrive hoping to attend if you have not booked in advance. However, there are still some spaces to attend his first Mass at Holy Redeemer (6pm on Saturday 3 October) and at St Gregory's (9am on Sunday 4 October).

We will be presenting Thomas with a gift from our parishes to mark his Ordination and, if you would like to contribute to this gift, it's not too late - there are still envelopes available in all of our churches this weekend. Please put your gift into the envelope and place in the normal offertory basket by the entrance/exit in any of our churches. Please make cheques payable to 'St Osmund's Parish'. If you would like to add your gift via online banking, please pay to the St Osmund's account (a/c no ending 111) with the reference 'T Lawes' or call the office for full bank details: 01722 562703 or email outreach@salisburycatholics.org **Please continue to pray for Thomas as begins his priestly ministry.**

FIRST COMMUNION MASSES

We now have dates for the First Communion Masses which were postponed in June. These will be taking place on Saturdays 24 & 31 October and 7 & 14 November at Holy Redeemer and St Gregory's.

All parents have been contacted by email, please reply as soon as possible to the email or contact Caroline on 01722 562703 caroline.williams@clifftondiocese.com Please continue to pray for our first Communion group.

THIS SUNDAY WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES 2020

LIKE JESUS CHRIST, FORCED TO FLEE

Every month, a new video of Pope Francis have outlined one of the themes present in the message of the Holy Father. These have been 'To know in order to understand', 'To be close in order serve', 'To listen in order to be reconciled', 'To share in order to grow' and 'To involve in order to promote'. We now have the last newly released video, in which the Holy Father explores the sixth sub-theme 'To collaborate in order to build'. These offer the real-life testimony of an internally displaced person who describes how she was able to rebuild her life thanks to the help and collaboration she received. The messages/videos can be accessed by clicking on the 'Migrant 20' button on our home page or at: <https://salisburycatholics.org/migrant20>

Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels 29 September - Each of the archangels performs a different mission in Scripture: Michael protects; Gabriel announces; Raphael guides. Earlier belief that inexplicable events were due to the actions of spiritual beings has given way to a scientific world-view and a different sense of cause and effect. Yet believers still experience God's protection, communication, and guidance in ways which defy description. For more, please click in the 'Top News' box or go directly to:

<https://salisburycatholics.org/blog/saints-michael-gabriel-and-raphael>

Parenting for Faith. 'Parenting for Faith' supports parents by offering new ways of bringing faith into everyday life with their children. The course comprises of 8 sessions in videos and we intend to release one session per week onto our website. Following the first session called 'Position for Influence' we now have a second session 'Making sense of Life'. You can find them by clicking on the 'Adult & Child Faith Formation' button on our homepage and then on 'Parenting for Faith' or go directly to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/parenting-faith>

BIBLE STUDY meets on Tuesdays every week at 10:45 via Skype. All are welcome. For more information and/or to join please contact Michael on 01725 510310.

ZOOM GATHERINGS Please contact outreach@salisburycatholics.org if you need assistance.

Tuesday at 19:30	Alabare community meeting	Contact John Proctor on 01722 340206
Wednesday at 14:30	Rosary Group	Contact Josephine on 01722 328410
Thursdays at 19:00	Downton Service of the Word	Contact Michael michael.rennie@velaplan.co.uk
Tuesday at 15:00	6 October HR/Whaddon House Mass	Contact Tony on 01722 562703
Wednesday at 14:00	7 October Rosary Group House Mass	Contact Tony on 01722 562703

BOOKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR MASS

On **MONDAY 28 September**, the morning Mass at St Osmund is at the slightly earlier time of 09:30 **Reminder: there is no longer an evening Mass at St Osmund on a Monday. The 7pm Mass on other weekday evenings (Tues-Friday) will continue as normal.**

The full list of Mass times in all our churches is on the final page of this newsletter and also features on our website: click on 'Mass Times' on our homepage or go to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/mass-times>

Please note that Benediction takes place on a Tuesday and Thursday before Mass, so do come along as part of your Mass booking if you would like to. There is traditional liturgical music as part of this liturgy.

Booking to attend Sunday Masses: Please book as early as possible to attend Sunday Masses (including Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass). Office opening hours are Monday - Friday and so emails and telephone calls on Saturday and Sundays may well not be received/responded to.

To book, please call 01722 562703 or email outreach@salisburycatholics.org

Bookings can only be taken on this number and email address, Monday - Friday 09:00 - 17:00

MORE STEWARDS NEEDED: Without stewards at each of our Masses we would not be allowed to open our churches for Mass. The Stewards we have across all three churches have been largely unchanged for the last 3 to 4 months since we opened and we owe them a considerable debt of thanks. We are in great need of more stewards both to lighten the commitment from the current stewards and maintain this service as we approach Advent and Christmas. If you are able to help, please contact Kevin at St Osmund's on 01722 562703; at Holy Redeemer: Warwick 01722 327507 and for St Gregory, contact Sam on 07973 678115. Many thanks.

THE GOD WHO SPEAKS We have a video reflection on last weekend's Gospel (25 Sunday in Ordinary Time). 3 minutes and 14 seconds long and well worth listening to. To access, please click on the 'The God Who Speaks' button on our Homepage or go directly to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/god-who-speaks>

LECTIONARY COMMENTARY In addition to the video reflection above we have a full written commentary on last weekend's readings by Dr. Joseph O'Hanlon. Just click on the button 'Lectionary Commentary' or go directly to: <https://salisburycatholics.org/lectionary>

ENCIRCLES is a local charity operated solely by volunteers. One of their main activities is the distribution of soup in the early evening to the homeless outside Salisbury library. They are currently supported by a number of local churches including Christ The King, Amesbury. Salisbury Catholics have been asked if we can support this worthwhile activity one evening a week through the cold weather period (October to 31 March 2021). This will entail a team of volunteers within our parishes operating on a rota; purchasing, preparing 5 litres of soup and delivering it to the Encircles volunteer at the library each week. We are not being asked to distribute the soup. We will also need someone to co-ordinate this worthwhile activity and liaise with Encircles. If you would like to volunteer for any of these roles please contact us on 01722 562703 or email outreach@salisburycatholics.org

CANCER SUPPORT SALISBURY. If you are affected by cancer, as a patient, carer, relative or friend there is a voluntary group called 'Cancer Support Salisbury' that provides support. For information please see their website <https://www.cancersupportsalisbury.com> or speak with volunteers Sally Bradley or Bob Wells at the 6 pm Mass at St Osmund's or email outreach@salisburycatholics.org and we will put you in touch.

CAFOD CORONAVIRUS APPEAL CAFOD have launched a special Coronavirus appeal: 'In the wake of this crisis we must stand together and help people around the world rebuild their lives.' There are envelopes at the back of all our churches this weekend for those who wish to donate. More information can be found on their website at: <https://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-Emergencies/Coronavirus-appeal>

MANY THANKS to those parishioners and friends who came last Saturday and gave the garden an amazing tidy-up! We had a really lovely time together in the sunshine and plan to meet again in about a month - watch this space!

LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year A-2 Ordinary Time Week 26 and Psalter 2

ALL MASSES IN ST OSMUND ARE LIVESTREAMED AND RECORDED

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

Limited Congregation Masses

Saturday 26 September

10:00 St Osmund MASS

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

SUNDAY 27 September

09:00 St Osmund MASS

09:00 St Gregory MASS

11:00 St Osmund MASS Mary Lundy In Remembrance

12:15 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

18:00 St Osmund MASS Jean Mewse RIP

Monday 28 September

Change of Mass time:

09:30 St Osmund MASS

Please note there is no Monday evening Mass

Tuesday 29 September

SAINTS MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS

10:00 St Osmund MASS

All Day St Osmund Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:40 St Osmund Benediction

19:00 St Osmund MASS

Wednesday 30 September Saint Jerome, Priest

10:00 St Osmund MASS Timothy Simon Robinson RIP

12:00 Holy Redeemer MASS The deceased of the world wars.

19:00 St Osmund MASS

Thursday 1 October Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus

10:00 St Osmund MASS

All Day St Osmund Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:40 St Osmund Benediction

19:00 St Osmund MASS

Friday 2 October The Holy Guardian Angels

10:00 St Gregory MASS

19:00 St Osmund MASS Seena Shibu RIP

Saturday 3 October

10:00 St Osmund MASS Clive Bogie RIP

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS For friends and colleagues RIP

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St Gregory Fridays 09:30 until Mass

Please note - No confessions on Saturday 26 Sept at St Osmund

St Osmund Saturdays 10:30 to 11:30

Holy Redeemer Saturdays 17:30 until Mass

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POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

Universal: Respect for the Planet's Resources

That the planet's resources will not be plundered but shared in a just and respectful manner.

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

CLIFTON DIOCESE

We pray this week for the parishes of Christ the King, Thornbury and Holy Cross, Wotton-under-Edge.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember all those who have died: Felicity Detemple, Thomas Dwyer, Stephanie Chandler, Alan West, Sheila Owen, Rita (Mollie) Halliden and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

INDIVIDUAL PRIVATE PRAYER

St Osmund is now open for Private Individual Prayer throughout the day during office hours, just call into the Newman Room at the back of the Parish Rooms to gain admittance to the church when you arrive.

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

Ezekiel 18:25-28

Ps 24

Remember your mercy, Lord.

Philippians 2:1-11

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

Matthew 21:28-32

MARRIAGES

Where possible, these must be deferred.

Please speak to the priest for further guidance.

FUNERALS

Please speak to the priest for guidance.

BAPTISMS

For those who have attended the baptismal preparation course a baptism can now be arranged on a Saturday after midday. If you wish to have more detail please contact Deacon John Proctor on 07802 631968 or email john@alabare.org