

# SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

HOLY REDEEMER + ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND

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## LENT WEEK 2(B)

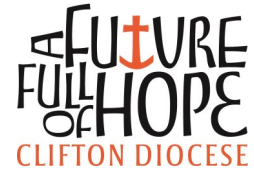
### From Father Anthony...

Early morning, well before dawn. Birdsong sweetened the silence: Cathedral bells quartered it. I pounded dark edged, inky streets. Shadows clung to indistinct forms: wraithlike figures waited at a bus stop. Men in sleeping bags huddled along a covered area. In the distance a cock crowed and, as if on call, the sun began to diffuse its light through the morning murk. The world was given shape, definition and colour.... it was transfigured. Now I could see what I was looking at; what to gaze on and what to avoid... and narrowly missed a pot hole!

During Lent we are invited to enter the wilderness of our inner being. We are urged to become *aware (the wisest use of our worldly consciousness)* of our undisciplined, free roaming and disconnected thoughts; and then, form the desire and intention to move beyond them. Through ordinary awareness, we see *who and what we are not, (negative)*; which is not the same as knowing *who and what we are (positive)*. This week we learn that the desire and intention to move beyond what *we are not* is a prelude to a much fuller, deeper and positive experience. It opens the way to recognising our very Essence (*Jesus*). This Essence unites ordinary awareness (*Peter*) with our soul (*James*) and Spirit (*John*). Jesus takes us up the mountain (*realm of Spirit*) to reveal who He is; *who we are*.

With body, soul and spirit unified, the truth of our being begins to dawn; it emerges out of the gloom of the wilderness; we experience wholeness and purpose rather than disparateness and confusion. Experiencing ourselves as Essence (*Jesus*) we are elevated, 'transfigured'. We experience ourselves as a fusion of the Love of God (*Jesus*), the Wisdom of God (*Moses*) and the Power of God (*Elijah*). As we accept this, we recognise who and what we truly are... *the beloved daughter or son in whom the Father is well pleased*.

This experience brings enlightenment and happiness (*good to be here*). Having glimpsed and experienced Love, Wisdom and Power we must now exercise them, i.e. embody them, come *from* them, (*let us make three tents – tent is a sign of embodiment*). We experience resurrection as a present reality (*they discussed rising from the dead*). Having embodied our 'transfiguration', we come down the mountain bringing the realm of spirit with us into the world... to love, order and heal it.



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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 : 2707

## CONFIRMATION 2020 - GOOD NEWS!!

Following the Prime Minister's announcement earlier and with advice from our Health and Safety Representative it is now possible to proceed with the Sacrament of Confirmation for last year's candidates. All parents have now been contacted with the date of 8 April at 19:00 at St Osmund. Unfortunately, because of social distancing attendees will be restricted to four per family, i.e. Candidate, Sponsor and two others. Bishop Declan has given Father Anthony permission to proceed on his behalf. Prior to this, Father Anthony would like to meet with the candidates at 19:00 on Thursday 11 March at St Osmund and again with parents and candidates at 19:00 on Wednesday 24 March at St Gregory.

### FEAST OF SAINT DAVID - 1 MARCH

St David, the patron Saint of Wales, is remembered as a missionary Bishop and the founder of many monasteries in the sixth century. For the story of St David click on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

**CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME** to Solomon Freiman who is being baptised this weekend. Please keep Solomon, his parents Andy and Ros and his godparents in your prayers at this special time.

**ANNUAL CAFOD LENTEN FAST DAY** was on Friday 26 February. Last week we were told about Abdella. He lives in an extremely remote and mountainous part of Ethiopia. It takes him ten hours a day to collect water. He says his life is being wasted as he has no time for anything else. Please give to reach vulnerable communities around the world with water and to provide other vital support. All the information plus a video is on our website. Just [click here](#) or the image in the 'Top News' box. Envelopes are available at the rear of the churches.

### BOOKING TO ATTEND MASS IN PERSON

If you plan to attend Mass in person, please book by emailing: [booking@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:booking@salisburycatholics.org) or, if you are unable to email, please call 01722 562703 between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday. The Mass schedule for the coming week is on the final page of this newsletter as normal or [click here](#).

### Bridie Dempsey - Requiem Mass 10:00 Tuesday 2 March at St Osmund

Bridie was a parishioner across all three of our churches for over 70 years. Her wish was to have a Requiem Mass at a regular Mass time with parishioners able to attend. Because of travel restrictions and self isolation, only two members of her family are able to attend in person. Therefore we are encouraging parishioners who would like to attend this Mass to do so by booking as normal to support both the family in church and those on the livestream.

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

Tuesday at 19:30	Weekly Alabare Christian Community	Deacon John Proctor <a href="mailto:john@alabare.org">john@alabare.org</a>
Tuesday 2 March 15:00	Holy Redeemer / Whaddon House Mass	Tony on 01722 562703
Wednesdays at 14:30	Weekly Rosary Group	Josephine on 01722 328410

**CHURCHES IN SALISBURY** are calling us all to set aside this Sunday 28 February as a Day of Prayer & Fasting for the protection of our city and a healing of the sick. At 19:30 you will be able to join a meeting across participating churches on Zoom. You will find the Zoom link by [clicking here](#). The meeting ID is: 885 2020 3054 and the Passcode is: 423050.

### SCORE APPEAL IN ASSOCIATION WITH SALISBURY CATENIANS (LAPTOPS FOR CHILDREN).

Tremendous result! Over 50 devices have been given to the Schools and a grand total of £5,500 (before Gift Aid) has been donated. This appeal will close this weekend. Can we extend a very warm thank you to all those who have so generously supported this appeal.

**VACANCY - CLERK TO THE GOVERNORS** required for St Joseph's Catholic School approximately 4 hours per week. Please see school website for more information [www.sjcs.org.uk](http://www.sjcs.org.uk) or e-mail [admin@sjcs.org.uk](mailto:admin@sjcs.org.uk).

# LENT 2021

## **Stations of the Cross**

There are Stations of the Cross devotions led by our clergy from St Osmund's Church **each Friday during Lent at 18:20** (prior to the 7pm Mass). You are welcome to attend or watch it on live stream and it will also be recorded via our [Church TV](#).

## **Short Guided Lenten Meditations before the Blessed Sacrament**

These will be led by our clergy and will take place on Tuesdays in Lent at 18:00 (followed by Benediction at 18:40). Everyone is welcome to attend in person or to watch on live stream. They will also be recorded via our [Church TV](#)

## **LENT RESOURCES ON OUR WEBSITE**

All our resources for Lent mentioned below can be accessed via our Lent page. Click on the 'Lent 2021' button on our home page or just [click here](#).

## **Cardinal Blase Cupich, Archbishop of Chicago, offers his Lenten reflection.**

In his video reflection for Lent, Cardinal Blase Cupich says we should live these 40 days of Lent as a time to reflect on how the Lord calls us to draw closer to him and others, especially in these tragic times of loss due to the pandemic.

## **DARE TO DREAM 2020-21**

We now have 'Lent Week 2 - A Vision to Behold. You can read the reflection and watch the video . 'This is my Son, whom I love, listen to him' – the call to discernment by Fr Christopher Whitehead. The reflections and videos are on the 'Dare to Dream' page just click on the 'Lent 2021' button on the homepage or directly by [clicking here](#).

## **LENTEN RETREAT**

We have Part One: Praying the Rosary of Father Denis McBride's online Lenten retreat called 'Reflecting with Paintings'. These reflections are on the 'Lent Retreat' page which again can be accessed by clicking the 'Lent 2021' button on the homepage or directly by [clicking here](#)..

## **THE POET'S GOSPEL**

A Gospel in blank verse with rhymed parables. We have 'Week 2: Non-Conformity'. Again this can be accessed by clicking the 'Lent 2021' button on the homepage or directly by [clicking here](#).

**THE GOD WHO SPEAKS** There is another short reflection on video by Fr Jim Golka on the scripture of the second week of Lent Week and it is only 3 minutes long. [Click here](#) or on 'The God Who Speaks' button on our homepage.

**SUNDAY HOMILY** The latest podcast from Bishop Robert Barron for this Sunday (Lent Week 2) is on our website. If the intention of an author is to convince people to read and think about what he's written, the author of Sunday's first reading has done his job well. We hear the story of Abraham's willingness to sacrifice his own son, Isaac. Click on the 'Sunday Homily' button on our homepage or [click here](#)

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** We have a children's Liturgy of the Word for this weekend; 'Abraham, Isaac, and Jesus Transfigured! - Lent 2B'. To view click on 'Church TV' then select 'Children's Liturgy' or [click here](#)

**SAINT PAUL** We have the sixth in a seven part series by New Testament scholar Con Campbell as he searches for answers to help him better understand St Paul. Click on the 'St Paul' button the home page or [click here](#).

**CREDO** We have the 17th podcast in this series: 'One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic'. How do I know I'm in the right church? If I'm looking for the truth, what are the landmarks I need to guide me? Join Fr Andrew as he explores the Four Marks of the Church. Click on the 'Credo' button on our homepage or [click here](#).

# LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year B-1 Lent Week 2 and Psalter 2

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

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## Saturday 27 February

10:00 St Osmund MASS All Souls RIP

## First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS Thanksgiving - Mary Fleming

## SUNDAY 28 February

09:00 St Gregory MASS

09:00 St Osmund MASS Anne Gray RIP

11:00 St Osmund MASS Thomas Drea RIP

12:15 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

18:00 St Osmund MASS Muriel Maloney in sickness

## Monday 1 March SAINT DAVID, PATRON OF WALES

10:00 St Osmund MASS Intentions of the Donors

## Tuesday 2 March

10:00 St Osmund Requiem Mass Bridie Dempsey RIP

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:00 St Osmund Guided Lenten Meditation

18:40 Benediction

## Wednesday 3 March

10:00 St Osmund MASS Gordon RIP

19:00 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

## Thursday 4 March

10:00 St Osmund MASS Pat Mooney RIP

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:40 St Osmund Benediction

## Friday 5 March

18:20 St Osmund Stations of the Cross

19:00 St Osmund MASS Mary-Anne Elizabeth Clarke RIP

## Saturday 6 March

10:00 St Osmund MASS Thressiamma Xavier RIP

## First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

## CONFIRMATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please see Pg 2 of this newsletter for details of our **Confirmation Mass** which was delayed in 2020. We are now seeking advice regarding the deferred First Communion Masses and will be in touch with parents shortly.

### Preparation Programmes 2021

We are also now considering plans and seeking advice to move forward with the preparation programmes for Confirmation and FHC for 2021. If you have a child that is currently in Year 3 (for FHC) or Year 9 (for Confirmation), please watch this space and don't contact us yet - we will be in touch as soon as we can!

# PRAYER & SCRIPTURE

## POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR MARCH

### Evangelisation: Sacrament of reconciliation

That we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God. [Click here](#)

## CLIFTON DIOCESE

We pray this week for the parish of St Mary-on-the-Quay, Bristol with St James Priory.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please also remember all those who have died: Joyce Knowles, Louise Hilton, Terence O'Sullivan, Jim (Victor) Lever, Sandra Grist, Ethanna Harris, Maria Marchi, Margot Wilson, Bridie Dempsey and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

## SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

*Genesis 22:1-2. 9-13. 15-18*

*Psalms 115*

**I will walk in the presence of the Lord  
in the land of the living.**

*Romans 8:31-34*

### Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard:  
'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him!'

### Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

*Mark 9:2-10*

## 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)

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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