

# SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

HOLY REDEEMER + ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND

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## 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

### From Father Anthony...

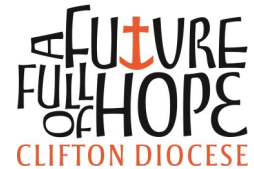
Some weeks ago, I was with a colleague in the garden. We conversed about its shape and beauty, the number of birds and ... pruning! Later, I examined the dishevelled hedge, misshapen bushes and long-haired trees. A rambling rose had rambled too far! Secateurs in hand, it got a short back and sides that would make any Sergeant Major proud! Afterwards I worried that I had been too severe; far from it. It is now better contained and flourishing.

Last week we spoke about the *I Am*: essence, pure unformed, undifferentiated awareness. It is the *Father* state, the conceiver (*vine*). What it conceives of (*the branch*) extends *from* it. The conception is one with the conceiver. Yet, they are differentiated; one is dependent on the other for its form. What we conceive ourselves to be is one with who we are but *not who we are* because we can change our conception of ourselves, for better or worse, to represent our essence. What the Father conceives of (*begets*) is the Son. The Father expresses the Son through the Spirit. The Son is one with the Father... yet the Father is greater, (*I and my Father are one yet the Father is greater*). To be fully human is to be aware of participating in this trinitarian experience.

Problems arise when we misidentify the *conception* as the *conceiver*, form with essence, e.g. *I am one with my name but I am not my name*. I can change my name and still be me! If we think of ourselves as that by which we define ourselves, we build our lives on a false foundation (*cut off from me you can do nothing*) ... a branch confusing itself as the vine and not part of it. Spiritually, it is crucial to *sense* the difference between *vine* and *branch*.

Part of spiritual practice is to *sense* this Father state, rest *in* and come *from* it. This brings spiritual sight; awareness of the thoughts that shape who we think we are. *Awareness* establishes the correct relationship between Father and Son (*vine and branch*). From the vantage point of the Father we observe whether who we *think* we are is expressing our essence. If not, we have fallen short of the mark (*sin*) and must prune our thinking (*repentance*) producing conceptions of ourselves (*fruit*) that better reflect the image and likeness of God we actually are.

**Please note** - the Parish Office will be closed for the Bank Holiday on Monday 3 May



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#### **Closed on Bank Holiday Monday**

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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**

# FOR INDIA & ALL COUNTRIES SEVERELY IMPACTED BY CORONAVIRUS

As we begin to emerge from the worst of the pandemic, it is with horror that we see the devastation being wreaked by the virus in India and other countries. We are especially mindful of the anxiety of our own parishioners, who have many relatives and friends in India and other countries. Let us join together in prayer to the Lord to bring an end to this pandemic and to move the hearts of all countries to work together to alleviate suffering and provide treatment and vaccines evenly across the globe. All of our Sunday Masses this weekend will be offered for this intention.

## FEAST OF SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES - MONDAY 3 MAY

We see in James and Philip, human men who became foundation stones of the Church and we are reminded once more that holiness and its consequent apostolate are entirely a gift from God, not a matter of human achievement. For their story click on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

## FEAST OF THE ENGLISH MARTYRS - TUESDAY 4 MAY

On Tuesday 4 May we celebrate the feast of the English Martyrs and call to mind not only the forty priests, religious and lay people canonised by Pope Paul VI in 1970, but the further two hundred and forty-two declared 'Blessed' and those, many unknown, Catholics who died defending the faith in a period of around 150 years following the Reformation. Please click on the image in the 'Top News' or [click here](#) for a homily by Fr Ray Staunton on the English Martyrs, further background and prayer.

**Standing with Imprisoned Indian Priest Stan Swamy SJ** - Fr Stan Swamy is a Jesuit Priest who has spent his life defending the human rights of marginalised Dalit and Adivasi communities. He has been imprisoned for more than 200 days on unfounded terrorism charges. Fr Damian Howard SJ, the Provincial Superior of the Jesuits in Britain, has recorded a message about Father Stan Swamy and Bishop Declan Lang also assures Fr Stan Swamy he is not forgotten. Both messages can be heard by clicking on the image in the 'Top News' box or by [clicking here](#).

**Historical Items from St Osmund's** - Bubble-wrapping and labelling of the items is taking place on Wednesday 5 May after the 10:00 Mass in St Elizabeth Hall. The aim is to complete this by 12 May in time for transportation to Bath on the 13th. If you would like to join in with this effort Please email: [office@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:office@salisburycatholics.org) or ring the office on 01722 562703.

**Offertory Envelopes** - For those who are tax-payers, your offertory envelopes are currently being distributed by your church. For those attending Mass at St Osmund we will be making envelopes available in the porch. 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). If you are not a tax-payer but would still like to use an offertory envelope please enquire via the Parish Office.

**EdUKaid Charity Race Night** - St Elizabeth Hall from 19:00 on 25 June 2021. Tickets are now on sale. All money raised goes towards providing a desperately-needed education to the most disadvantaged children in rural Tanzania. Tickets are £7.50 - which includes a Ploughman's Supper. There will be a great selection of raffle prizes and a cash and contactless bar on the night. Tickets can be booked at <https://www.edukaid.com/Event/charity-race-night> or email [teresa@edukaid.com](mailto:teresa@edukaid.com) or call Teresa on 07592 510784.

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

Tuesdays at 19:30	'Catch' (towards Pentecost)	<a href="mailto:john.proctor@clifftondiocese.com">john.proctor@clifftondiocese.com</a>
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 <a href="mailto:outreach@salisburycatholics.org">outreach@salisburycatholics.org</a>

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021

**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. More details on the approach can be found by [clicking here](#). Many thanks.

## MONTH OF MAY - DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY

**The Rosary** - Starting Friday 7 May, the Rosary will be prayed in St Osmund's Church at 18:00 each Friday evening in May preceding the 19:00 Mass. Led by our Rosary Group, everyone is encouraged to join, please book in the normal way if you would like to attend in person: [booking@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:booking@salisburycatholics.org) 01722 562703

Pope Francis invites Catholics and Marian Shrines around the world to dedicate the month of May to a marathon of prayer for an end to the Covid-19 pandemic. Click on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#)

**Salve Regina and the Memorare** - After each Mass in May, the celebrant will sing the Salve Regina and lead the Memorare. Please visit our 'May Devotions' page by clicking on the button on our Homepage or by [clicking here](#) where you will find video and text for both the Salve Regina and the Memorare. You will also find recordings of the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries of The Holy Rosary.

**Dare to Dream 2020-21** We have for last Sunday the 'Good Shepherd Sunday' video with Fr Colin Mason who many will remember as assistant priest here in Salisbury from 2014. 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 eighth in a series of lovely audio meditations for children by Frances Rolleston. This week, the meditation is called 'Feed my Sheep'. You are asked to imagine you are by the Sea in Galilee where Jesus asks Peter to 'feed my lambs and my sheep'. 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 5th Sunday of Easter 'I am the Vine, you are the Branches'. [Click here](#) or on 'The God Who Speaks' button on our homepage.

**Sunday Homily** - 'Becoming a friend, healer and teacher' by Bishop Robert Barron. Jesus proclaims that he is the vine and we are the branches. There is give and take in this divine relationship. Not only are we rooted in Christ's mystical body, but he endeavours to cultivate his love and mercy within our bodies. In this analogy, we find a powerful image of spiritual growth. Click on the 'Sunday Homily' button on our homepage or [click here](#).

**Children's Liturgy** - from Catholic Kids Media we have 'The Vine and the Branches' for this Sunday and also Redemptorist Publications have introduced 'Celebrate'; an initiative designed to help children grow in their faith. Each week they will provide a video of the week's Gospel reading, a reflection and a final prayer. To view, click on 'Church TV' then select 'Children's Liturgy' or [click here](#).

# LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year B-1 Easter Week 5, Psalter 1 and Proper of Season

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

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## Saturday 1 May

10:00 St Osmund MASS Mary Robson RIP

## First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

## All Sunday Masses

**For India and all countries in our world which are severely impacted at this time with the COVID virus.**

## SUNDAY 2 May

09:00 St Gregory MASS

09:00 St Osmund MASS

11:00 St Osmund MASS

12:15 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

18:00 St Osmund MASS

## Monday 3 May

### SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES

10:00 St Osmund MASS Pat Mooney RIP

## Tuesday 4 May

### THE ENGLISH MARTYRS

10:00 St Osmund MASS Victims and Survivors of Abuse

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:40 St Osmund Benediction

## Wednesday 5 May

10:00 St Osmund MASS Edna RIP

19:00 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

## Thursday 6 May

10:00 St Osmund MASS Clement RIP

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:40 St Osmund Benediction

## Friday 7 May

18:00 St Osmund Marian Devotion

19:00 St Osmund MASS James O'Farrell RIP

## Saturday 8 May

10:00 St Osmund MASS Intentions of the Donors

## First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

**Advance Notice** - Masses on the Feast of the Ascension (Thursday 13 May) will be at 9am at St Gregory, 10am at St Osmund and Midday at Holy Redeemer. Ordinariate Mass will be at 7pm in St Osmund. Please book to attend in the usual way: [booking@salisbury Catholics.org](mailto:booking@salisbury Catholics.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

# PRAYER & SCRIPTURE

## POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR MAY

### Universal: The World of Finance

That those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers. [Click here](#)

## DAY OF PRAYER FOR SURVIVORS OF ABUSE

Tuesday the 5 May is a day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse. For more [click here](#).

## CLIFTON DIOCESE

We pray this week for English Martyrs, Chard, with Crewkerne & Ilminster.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

We also remember in our prayers all those who have died: Irene Hayes, Margaret Flanagan, 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 9: 26-31*

*Ps 21*

**You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.**

*1 John 3:18-24*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.**

**Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty.**

**Alleluia!**

*John 15:1-8*

## 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)*