

SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

HOLY REDEEMER + ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND

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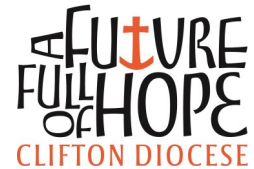
From Father Anthony...

Sunday morning: torrential rain. Wind squalled and gusted dangerously. Menacing clouds stretched and sped over the city. Trees, nestling below the Great Spire, bent alarmingly and shook like dogs out of water. Leaves filled the air and swirled down the street. Doors slammed. I sheltered in the porch and took in the violent magnificence of it all. Then, out of the tumble of greys and inky blues, a double rainbow emerged and filled the sky with colour. For a moment I had a sense of myself watching it all.

'He sat down opposite the treasury and watched'. The word for 'watched' – θεωπέω – conveys a sense of 'gazing (*contemplating*) in order to analyse (*discern*)'. This quality of 'gazing' is an ability acquired through spiritual practice. If prayer is about communication with God, then meditation is about stilling the mind and 'watching' the self who is doing the communicating. Watching gives an experience of 'I'; the watcher, watching; thought, thinking; sight, seeing. It is through watching that we come to understand those areas of our lives that need purifying: areas of our lives that are out of balance, top heavy and weigh us down.

Through 'watching' we become aware of the lack of harmony between thought, word and deed. In harsher terms we catch sight of our hypocrisy; the manner in which we claim to have higher standards or more noble beliefs than we actually do. The word hypocrite, ὑπόκρισις, literally means 'someone acting under a mask'. In Gospel terms we see how we 'swallow the property of widows...'; how we puff ourselves up. We discern the difference between our 'act' and reality.

When we become aware of the 'act' we see the system of thought, word and deed that supports it. These are the 'riches' that confirm us in the illusion of ourselves and establish our worldly persona: what is left over we give to a spiritual persona which costs us very little because it is false. Awareness of this purifies because by spotting the illusion we drop the act. We die to it (*become a widow*). Reality (*Truth*) dawns. In the presence of such power and magnificence (*God*) we feel as if we are nothing. It is this nothing we give to God... it is all we have. Nothing means not-a-thing. It is not a *thing* we give to God but our Self - which is beyond label. It is everything!



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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 : 2827**

DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA - 9 NOVEMBER

The Basilica of St John Lateran, cathedral of the Diocese of Rome, was dedicated to Christ the Saviour in the fourth century. The anniversary has been celebrated as a feast of the Latin Church on this date since the twelfth century and honours the local church of Rome as a link with earliest Christian traditions and as a sign of our communion in Christ. For more information click the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Click the images in the 'Top News' box or click the title below.

[Saint Leo the Great - 10 November](#), [Saint Martin of Tours - 11 November](#), [Saint Josaphat - 12 November](#)

NOVEMBER: PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD During November we pray especially for the Holy Souls. There are special 'Prayer Request' envelopes in our church porches. Place the names of your departed loved ones in one of these envelopes and place it in the box or basket in front of the altar in each of our churches. If you are unable to come to church but would like a name/s placed, please call 01722 562703 or email office@salisburycatholics.org and we can do it for you. All Friday evening Masses during November will be celebrated for those named in all three churches.

Red Wednesday - 24 November- is promoted by Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) and we are asked to stand in solidarity with persecuted Christians and all who suffer for their peacefully held beliefs. We will have a special Mass which will be celebrated in the Ordinariate Rite in St Osmund's at 7pm on 24 November. Please put the date into your diary, there will be tea and coffee served afterwards in the Parish Rooms. ACN have also published a Novena which begins on Monday 15th November 2021 and ends on Tuesday 23rd November, where we can pray for the persecuted Church. This, together with a video on 'Religious Freedom in our World' can be found on our website by [clicking here](#) or on the image in the 'Top News' box.

Christmas Cards - Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) cards are on sale from the Parish Office during the week, 9am to 5pm each weekday.

Priests' Retirement Fund This Annual Appeal, in support of the Priests' Retirement Fund, will take place this weekend 6 & 7 November. There are currently twenty retired priests in our Diocese in receipt of financial support, which may include funding for retirement properties, retirement grants and care home fees. Many of our retired priests (such as our beloved Canon Michael!) continue to offer their services as supply priests. Envelopes will be available in all of our churches allowing you to 'Gift Aid' your donation if you are a UK taxpayer.

COP 26 climate conference from 31 October - 12 November The urgency of the global ecological crisis and the teaching of our Catholic faith implores us as a Church to work to cultivate care for our common home with all people of good will. On our website we carry an audio reflection by Pope Francis, a letter from Cardinal Nichols to our Prime Minister and a Prayer Card for the success of the conference. Please click on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

The Finance Committee who meet 6 times a year are in need of a volunteer Secretary who will take minutes at their meetings. Please contact Deacon John Proctor if you are interested by email john.proctor@cliftondiocese.com

Pastoral Parish Council for Holy Redeemer and St Osmund Following the launch of a new PPC at St Gregory, Deacon John Proctor is looking to re-establish a Pastoral Council for both Holy Redeemer and St Osmund. Some parishioners have suggested a combined council for the two parishes and John would be glad to hear further views. Please email him john.proctor@cliftondiocese.com

Pastoral Parish Council - St Gregory The next meeting is on Monday 8 November at 6.30 pm in St Gregory's Hall. The webpage is under 'Parish Life' from the main menu and then click Pastoral Parish Council or [click here](#). All are welcome to attend.

OUTREACH - CHRISTMAS 2021

MISSION



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES CARD deliveries to all our parishioners will occur again this year during December. We have had an excellent response from all our existing deliverers with a few standing down for very understandable reasons. We know that **we need more volunteers** to help us if we are to reach every parishioner household. If you would be happy to deliver a few cards to fellow parishioners in your local area as we approach Christmas, do please let get in touch. Contact Caroline Williams on 01722 562703 or email outreach@salisburycatholics.org We look forward to hearing from you, many thanks.

Big Sing, Saturday 6th November, 2pm, Salisbury Methodist Church

Join with the Iona Community, come and sing at Salisbury Methodist Church in the sanctuary using the big screens, singing songs of climate justice and solidarity. We will be joining (online via Zoom) the Big Sing taking place in Scotland. Please wear a mask. If you cannot be with us then you can join in at home. The Zoom room will be open from 13:45. The texts of the songs will be shared on zoom for everybody to join in around the world.

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81820591214> Meeting ID: 818 2059 1214

11 November - On the second Thursday of the month, Mass in St Osmund will be at 12noon (instead of the regular time of 10am) and will be followed by our popular Parish Lunch, please do come along. Could you help to cook for the Parish lunch once per month? We would be grateful for some newcomers to join our friendly team. We cook dishes of two main and sweet courses and expect 25-30 guests. We look forward to hearing from you, contact. Jane on 01722 421287.

Salisbury Foodbank During November we are collecting rice, biscuits & chocolate for the Foodbank (with Christmas in mind). Items can be placed in the boxes available in all churches. We have received a thank you note from the Foodbank for our recent donation of 48 kg. Please see the poster in 'Top News' or [click here](#).

St Paul One-Year Sunday Missals have now arrived. Could those who ordered one please collect from the Parish Office at your convenience. We have a few extra if anyone else would like one at £7 each.

EdUKaid's Charity Race Night St Elizabeth Hall on Exeter Street from 7pm on Saturday 13 November. Please go to our 'Blog' or [click here](#) for all the details and how to buy a ticket.

Old (Good Quality) Video Cases Does anyone have any old video cases tucked away that are no longer required? Catherine Detain plans to make good use of them to separate subjects in the Parish Rooms Resource Centre. Please bring them in to the Parish Office any day during the week or give directly to Catherine. Thankyou

Tea & Coffee after the 9am Masses at St Osmund and St Gregory If you would like to help serving tea & coffee, please contact Bridget Watson on 01722 697722 or by email mbbkwatson@hotmail.com for St Osmund, and for St Gregory, Margaret Godwin 01722 501854 or by email godw5hme@virginmedia.com.

Art Group The Salisbury Catholic Churches Art Group has started again. It is on Mondays from 10.30 am-12.30 pm in St Osmund's Parish Rooms. All are welcome, whether you have painted, drawn before or never, please join us. Contact John and Elizabeth on 01725 510310 for more details.

Bible Book Club is meeting each Tuesday in the Parish Rooms 10:45 am -12:30 pm. Please join us as we read and study the Psalms. For further details contact John Lester 07899 244072.

Bridge Club The St Osmund's Bridge Club meets every Tuesday from 1-4 pm in the Parish Rooms. For further information, contact Gill on 01722 329341.

My Generation - for senior adults is on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 2pm in St Gregory's Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more information contact Chris on 01722 321109. Next meeting 17 November.

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

Tuesdays at 7.30 pm	Weekly Alabaré Christian Community	Deacon John Proctor john@alabare.org
Wednesday at 2.30 pm	Rosary Group	Josephine on 01722 328410
Tuesdays at 6:30 pm	Downton Service of the Word	michael.rennie@velaplan.co.uk

FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH: COMMUNION, PARTICIPATION, MISSION



There are a number of information sessions taking place around our diocese. The nearest one to us is tomorrow **Saturday 6 November 10 am-12 noon** in **St John's Centre, Trowbridge** and there are others at Brockworth, Bristol & Bridgwater. To register please click on the Eventbrite links on our webpage. There are also two online sessions for those who cannot travel or who would prefer to join online. To join the **online sessions (8th & 9th November 7 pm - 9 pm)**, please email synod@clifftondiocese.com **very soon** and a Microsoft Teams invite will be sent to you. On 20 November we will be sending a delegation from our parishes to a diocesan gathering in Bristol as our representatives. All of the information including explanatory videos on the Synod can be found on our by clicking the 'Synodal Church' button on our homepage or [click here](#).

Renewal Mass will be held in Holy Redeemer on Tuesday 9 November at 7pm. Fr Anthony will be the celebrant and everyone is welcome to attend. The Mass will contain hymns of praise and there will be a healing ministry following the Mass for anyone in need of prayer. Tea and coffee will be available afterwards

Baptism Preparation If you have a child that you would like to be baptised in one of our churches, you will need to attend a parents' preparation course. For baptisms at St Osmund or Holy Redeemer please contact Deacon John Proctor on 07802 631968 or email: john.proctor@clifftondiocese.com and at St Gregory contact Deacon Stephen Godwin by email stephen.godwin@clifftondiocese.com

Congratulations and welcome to Timothy Willis-Newman who joined the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism last Sunday 31 October and to Tomasz Norton, Bartosz Gosik and Jasmin Kaur Sandhu who will receive the Sacrament this Sunday 7 November. Please keep Timothy, Tomasz, Bartosz and Jasmin and their parents and godparents in your prayers at this special time.

First Holy Communion 2021 'First Holy Communion Day' is tomorrow Saturday 6 November at 2pm. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers. If you have a child in Year 3 or above, please use our online form to apply to join our next preparation programme which will begin in 2022. [Click here](#)

Confirmation 2022 If you have a child in Year 9 or above, please use our online form to apply to join our next preparation programme in 2022. [Click here](#)

The Nicodemus Group - The next session of the first module 'Journeying with Jesus from his birth to his ministry in Galilee' is this Wednesday 10 November at 7.30pm in St Osmund's Parish Rooms. Please contact us to register to attend: nicodemus@salisbury Catholics.org . Click the 'Explore Your Faith' item on our main menu or [click here](#) for the programme dates for the rest of the year.

The God Who Speaks Fr Beau offers a reflection with us for the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. He reminds us that we are encouraged to give God everything. To watch and listen [click here](#) or click on 'The God Who Speaks' button on our homepage.

Sunday Homily by Bishop Robert Barron. Friends, a connection with God leads to life and flourishing. When we sever that connection, we experience a drought similar to the one in our first reading today. The Lord responds to our needs, so trust in his providence, and he will not abandon you. To listen, click on the 'Sunday Homily' button on our homepage or [click here](#).

Children's Liturgy from Catholic Kids Media: Two Widows! A fun Catholic reflection for kids based on the readings for 32nd Sunday Year B. From Redemptorist Publications there is a reflection and a final prayer. Click on 'Church TV' then select 'Children's Liturgy' or [click here](#).

LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year B-1 Week 32, Psalter 4

Saturday 6 November

10:00 St Osmund MASS Susan, Les and Keith Burry RIP
12:00 St Osmund **Requiem MASS** Jane Barnes RIP

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS Lucy Robbins RIP

SUNDAY 7 November

09:00 St Gregory MASS Mervyn Lloyd Walters RIP
09:00 St Osmund MASS Reverend Fr Phillip Doherty RIP
11:00 St Osmund MASS Francis and Lydia Conio RIP
12:15 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS
18:00 St Osmund MASS Nicola Pearson & Extended Family

Monday 8 November

10:00 St Osmund MASS John and Nora Gallagher RIP

Tuesday 9 November THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

10:00 St Osmund MASS Tom and Anne Keane RIP
All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
18:00 St Osmund Benediction
19:00 Holy Redeemer Renewal MASS

Wednesday 10 November Saint Leo the Great

10:00 Holy Redeemer MASS Paddy Hartigan RIP
Ordinariate MASS has been cancelled this week

Thursday 11 November Saint Martin of Tours

12:00 St Osmund MASS In Thanksgiving
Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
18:00 St Osmund Benediction

Friday 12 November Saint Josephat

10:00 St Gregory MASS For all unborn babies
19:00 St Osmund MASS November Dead

Saturday 13 November

10:00 St Osmund MASS Simon Bastian RIP

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS Lil Passmore RIP

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Gregory Friday after 10:00 Mass:
St Osmund Saturday 10:30 - 11:00
Holy Redeemer Saturday 17:30 until Mass

PRAYER & SCRIPTURE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

Universal: People Who Suffer from Depression

That people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life. [Click here](#)

CLIFTON DIOCESE

We pray this week for St Peter (Swindon) and Sacred Heart (Royal Wootten Bassett).

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

All those who have died recently: Heather Voce, Paddy Hartigan, Kath Quinn, Jane Barnes, Jacqueline Sutton, Joan Farquharson, Simon Thornton, David Kennedy, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

1 Kings 17:10-16

Psalm 145

My soul, give praise to the Lord.

Hebrews 9:24-28

Alleluia, alleluia!

Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you the crown of life.

Alleluia!

Mark 12:38-44

SACRAMENTS

MARRIAGES Please speak to the priest for guidance.

FUNERALS Do your family know your wishes with regards to your funeral? If you (or they) find this difficult to talk about, why not provide the details to the parish office? 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

BAPTISMS For our next parents' preparation course, please contact Deacon John Proctor by email john.proctor@cliftondiocese.com or on 07802 631968 to register for the next course.

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 which will begin in 2022 [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](#)