## SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

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# ORDINARY TIME WEEK 19 (A)

From Fr Anthony...

It was flame hot and sticky. Morning cloud had evaporated leaving a blazing sun in an ocean of blue. Just back from St Gregory's, I peeled myself out of the car and lumbered into the office. Gangsters strutted over the lawn in black feathery suits and silver hats. They rose like a mass of flapping rags as formidable female blackbirds swooped on them. Red hot pokers stood like sentries: plump orangey plums peeked out from beneath the green. Maroon grapes hung in juicy clusters from drooping vines. To complete it all, two grey doves arrived and seem to have taken up residence!

Completeness... 'the state or condition of having all the necessary or appropriate parts.' Sometimes in the background of life there is a deep but indistinct longing; a sadness; an emptiness. Something is missing: parts of us are unnecessary or inappropriate; we feel incomplete. We try and change aspects of ourselves... relationships, security, career, wealth, power, knowledge. We replace one with another but still end up feeling incomplete. Nothing hits the mark; we feel dejected, disappointed. What to do?

The mass of thoughts formed by the effects of outside stimuli (crowds) pull us in all directions and create disunity. They lead us from without and impede the unified operation of our faculties. We are not in control and feel incomplete.

We must send the crowds away and let our thoughts originate from soul. Then we are led from within (boat) towards Spirit (wind). Tension will still exist between thoughts originating from without and within, creating instability (rough sea). Our faculties still operate independently of each other by intellect only (Christ as Ghost). Faith (Peter) will recognise (feel) Christ and move towards Him in soul (on the water). But, separate from the other faculties, Faith is weak; there is room for doubt (man of little faith). We get that sinking feeling. Then it is we realise (cry out) that it is not us but Him who does the work in us. We experience Him as our being (He gets in the boat); we feel our faculties unified and completed by His Presence... we are in a state of having all the necessary and appropriate parts. Intellectual understanding (Ghostly) is replaced by real encounter... and we experience intense natural reverence (worship) before our eternal Lord.



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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. Once this current crisis is over, please pop in and say hello. For now, please register online at: https://salisburycatholics.org click "Registration/update"

REGISTERED PARISHIONERS TO DATE : 2644





## Feast of Saint Lawrence 10 August

Once again we have a saint about whom almost nothing is known, yet one who has received extraordinary honour in the Church since the fourth century. Almost nothing - yet the greatest fact of his life is certain: He died for Christ. We who are hungry for details about the lives of the saints are again reminded that their holiness was after all, a total response to Christ, expressed perfectly by a death of a martyr. For the story of St Lawrence click on the image in the 'Top News' box or go to our 'Blog' or directly to: *https://salisburycatholics.org/blog/feast-saint-lawrence-10-august* 

## Memorial of Saint Clare of Assisi 11 August

Clare was 18 years old when she heard St Francis preach in the cathedral of Assisi during the Lent of 1212. His words on contempt of the world and on penance, and particularly the holy example he set, so earnestly affected Clare, that she conferred with him and soon recognised that God was calling her to lead a life similar to his in the seclusion of a convent. You can read the full story of Saint Clare by clicking on the image in the 'Top News' box or going to our 'Blog' or directly to: *https://salisburycatholics.org/blog/saint-clare-assisi-11-august* 

## Memorial of Saint Maximilian Kolbe 14 August

Maximilian became a Franciscan in 1907 and devoted his life to fostering a devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. During World War II, Fr Kolbe hid as many as 2,000 Jewish people and Poles who were being persecuted in his Polish monastery. In 1941, Maximilian was arrested by the Nazis, who sent him to Auschwitz concentration camp. Here he gave his life for another man who had a family. He is remembered for his prophetic words 'Hatred is not a creative force. Only love is a creative power.' For more on Saint Maximilian, click on the image in the 'Top News' box or go to our 'Blog' or to :*https://salisburycatholics.org/blog/saint-maximilian-kolbe* 

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Regular Confessions in church will resume weekly from this weekend 8/9 August.

Saturdays in St Osmund following the 10am Mass (10:30 - 11:30) Saturdays in Holy Redeemer prior to the 6pm Mass (17:30 - Mass) Fridays in St Gregory following the midday Mass (12:30 - 13:00)

**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.		
Tuesdays at 17:00	Pastoral Team meeting		
Tuesday at 19:30	Alabare community meeting	Contact Deacon John Proctor on 01722 340206	
Wednesdays at 14:30	Weekly Rosary Group	Contact Josephine on 01722 328410	
Thursday 13 August	at 15:00 HR/Whaddon House Mass	Contact Tony on 01722 562703	

**SCAM EMAILS** Please be aware that a scammer is sending out emails in Father Anthony's name. The only email accounts that Fr Anthony uses are: *Anthony B. Paris, Salisbury Catholics <mail@pamis.co.uk>* when emailing from the parish database or his own private email: *anthony.paris@cliftondiocese.com* 

**CATHOLIC UNIVERSE AND CATHOLIC TIMES** These titles are now moving to direct supply and will no longer be available via our churches. It can be delivered directly to your home every week, with no postage charges. If you would like to arrange to receive one of these titles, please visit their website: *www.thecatholicuniverse.com* or call them on 0161 820 5722.

**THE TABLET** If you would like to receive The Tablet directly to your home, please go to their website at: *https://www.thetablet.co.uk/subscribe* or call them on: 01858 438736.

## ARRANGEMENTS FOR MASS

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

## Change in COVID-19 Regulations: FACE COVERINGS

The government has announced that face coverings must be worn in places of worship from now onwards. Please remember that some people are exempt from this requirement by virtue of medical conditions and so there may still be some parishioners not wearing one. If you are not exempt, please try and remember to bring one with you, we have a small supply of disposable ones should you forget!

## Benediction at St Osmund Tuesday and Thursday 18:40

For those who have booked to attend the 19:00 Mass at St Osmund on a Tuesday or Thursday you may, if you wish, arrive early and attend Benediction on those days.

**'Booking' to attend Mass:** Thank you so much for your continued support with this process. Please do not arrive at a church hoping to attend Mass if you have not booked a place in advance.

## To book please call 01722 562703 or email *outreach@salisburycatholics.org* <u>Bookings can only be taken on this number and email address.</u>

- Those wishing to attend a non-consecutive Sunday Mass please book early in the week.
- From Thursday we are encouraging bookings from all, including those who attended the previous Sunday.
- You still need to book for a weekday Mass even though spaces are always available. Please only call or email as shown above, please do not call or email the parish office.

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRAYER SUPPORTED BY OUR WEBSITE The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth

**LECTIONARY COMMENTARY** We have a commentary on the readings for last Sunday (18 Ordinary Time) written by Dr Joseph O'Hanlon. On *Matthew 14:19* he writes: 'be aware of the most telling sentence in the story, no matter who tells it': 'All ate and were satisfied'. To read just click on 'Lectionary Commentary' on the home page or go direct to: *https://salisburycatholics.org/lectionary* 

**THE GOD WHO SPEAKS** page contains a video reflection on last Sunday's Gospel (18th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A). This year we are being invited to engage more deeply with the Bible and our 'God Who Speaks' page contains many resources Gospel and Psalm podcasts. Testimonies from people affected by the Bible and narratives from Fr Denis McBride and Fr Nicholas King. Just click the 'God Who Speaks' button on our homepage or go directly to: *https://salisburycatholics.org/god-who-speaks* 

**MUSIC IN ISOLATION** We have added a Taizé virtual choir, 54 young people from 36 different countries sing together "Veni Sancte Spiritus" from their homes. Just click on the 'Music in Isolation' button on our homepage or go directly to: *https://salisburycatholics.org/music-isolation* 

**YEAR OF COMMUNION** This week we have a further reflection; from Cathy a parishioner at Sacred Hearts, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham. Please click on the 'Year of Communion' button on our homepage or go to: https://salisburycatholics.org/year-communion-2019-20

Other opportunities : Just click on the button on the right hand side of the homepage:

RESURRECTION NARRATIVES: with Fr Denis McBride, MAGNIFICAT: reflection on Mary's Song

SUNDAY HOMILY: by Bishop Robert Barron, ADULT & CHILD FAITH FORMATION

## LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year A-2 Ordinary Time Week 19 and Psalter 3

ALL MASSES IN ST OSMUND ARE LIVESTREAMED AND RECORDED https://salisburycatholics.org/church-tv

#### Limited Congregation Masses

#### Saturday 8 August Saint Dominic

10:00 St Osmund MASS Doris Phelan RIP

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

#### SUNDAY 9 August

St Osmund	MASS	People of the Parish
St Gregory	MASS	Intentions of the Donors
St Osmund	MASS	Kevin Mooney RIP
St Osmund	Ordinariate M	ASS
St Osmund	Polish MASS	
St Osmund	MASS	David and Penny O'Brien
		Diamond Wedding Anniversary
	St Gregory St Osmund St Osmund St Osmund	St GregoryMASSSt OsmundMASSSt OsmundOrdinariate MSt OsmundPolish MASS

## Monday 10 August SAINT LAWRENCE, DEACON

PLEASE NOTE - THERE IS NO 10:00 Mass at St Osmund TODAY12:00St OsmundRequiem Mass Rita (Mollie) Halliden RIP19:00St OsmundMASSLily Mulcahy RIP

## Tuesday 11 August Saint Clare of Assisi

10:00 St Osmund	MASS	In thanksgiving
All Day St Osmund	Exposition of	the Blessed Sacrament
18:40 St Osmund	Benediction	
19:00 St Osmund	MASS	Intention for James & Donna

#### Wednesday 12 August

10:00St OsmundMASSPrivate Intention12:00Holy Redeemer MASS19:00St OsmundOrdinariate MASS

#### Thursday 13 August

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 14 August Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest, Martyr

10:00St OsmundMASS12:00St GregoryMASS19:00St OsmundMASS

Bishop Mervyn Alexander RIP Elizabeth Kane RIP

## Saturday 15 August

10:00 St Osmund MASS

#### First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

St GregoryFridaysSt OsmundSaturdaysHoly RedeemerSaturdays

12:30 to 13:00 10:30 to 11:30 17:30



## POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR AUGUST

**Evangelisation: The Maritime World** For all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families. *https://salisburycatholics.org/pope-francis* 

### **CLIFTON DIOCESE**

We pray this week for the parishes of St Joseph, Stonehouse and The Annunciation, Woodchester.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember all those who have died : Rita (Mollie) Halliden, Patricia Dawkins, George Savill, and Paula Elvin and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

#### INDIVIDUAL PRIVATE PRAYER IN OUR CHURCHES

St Osmund will be open for Private Individual Prayer at the following times this week providing we have stewards available. New volunteers for stewarding are always welcome and much needed.

Mon, Tues, Thurs & Friday\* After 10:00 Mass - 12:00 Saturday After 10:00 Mass - 12:00 \* No private prayer after Mass this week on Wednesday.

#### SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

Kings 19:9. 11-13

Ps 84

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

Romans 9:1-5

Alleluia, alleluia!. Blessings on the King who comes, In the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! Allelluia!

#### Matthew 14:22-33

**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*