

Sacred Heart Tisbury & All Saints Wardour Castle

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Please book your place for Mass with Father Robert by email or telephone giving your contact details

July	19	SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Psalms Week 4 <i>Diocesan prayer league: St Thomas More, Marlborough St Joseph, Wroughton</i> Masses at Sacred Heart, 9 a.m. and 6.30.p.m. All Saints, Wardour, 11 a.m.
	20	Monday Mass at Sacred Heart 5.30 p.m.
	21	Tuesday Mass at All Saints' Wardour, 9.30 a.m.
	22	Wednesday FEAST OF SAINT MARY MAGDALENE Mass at All Saints' Wardour, 5.30 p.m.
	23	Thursday FEAST OF SAINT BRIDGET, Patron of Europe NO MASS
	24	Friday Mass at Sacred Heart 6.00 p.m.
	25	Saturday FEAST OF SAINT JAMES, APOSTLE Mass at Sacred Heart, 9.30 a.m.
	26	SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY Time Psalms Week 1 <i>Diocesan prayer league: St Osmund's, St Gregory and Holy Redeemer, Salisbury</i>

Each week Holy Mass times for Sacred Heart, Tisbury and All Saints', Wardour.

Sunday Tisbury 9.00 a.m and 6.30 p.m.

Wardour 11.00 a.m.

Monday Tisbury 5.30 p.m.

Tuesday **Wardour 9.30 a.m.**

Wednesday **Wardour 5.30 p.m.**

Thursday No Mass.

Friday Tisbury 6.00 p.m.

Saturday Tisbury 9.30 a.m.

There will be a **booking system for our Parish Masses**. Some places will be allocated to those who do not have emails and just turn up (first come, first served)! However, if you are on the list, you will gain entry. Please book by 5pm the day before. Please bring your mask. Stewards will be helping. Book through Father Robert.

For those still shielding: St Osmund's Live stream, weekdays 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Sundays 9, 11 a.m., 12.15 and 6 p.m. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN TIMES ON SUNDAY

All details on their website:: <https://salisburycatholics.org/st-osmunds>

<https://universalis.com/index.htm> has the Mass readings, Office and much more available

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the month of July: Our Families That today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance

Spiritual Communion – Prayer of St Alphonsus

My Jesus,
I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar.
I love you above all things
and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you
now and forever. *Amen.*

PRAYERS: for all those in need; for the seafarers; for the kindly helpers in all sorts of areas of our lives; for those alone, the worried, for our families and those who are unwell. Amongst our parishioners, Nick Weeks, John Bell in Southampton Hospital, Mary Maidment at Avonbourne, Mary MacDermot and Elizabeth Croft.

OTHER PARISH NEWS:

Red Mission boxes: please bring them to Sacred Heart Church for Sue to collect. Thank you.

St Mary's School. It is with great sadness that we hear of the closure of the lovely school. We pray for the Head, staff, pupils and all those involved in St Mary's throughout its life, past pupils and staff, the IBVM sisters. Young lives guided and shaped for the greater glory of God AMDG.

Useful websites

<https://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/>
<https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html>

Prayers including prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, are now collated under the 'Further Resources' tab on Clifton Liturgy Office section of the website and may be accessed here: <https://cliftondiocese.com/departments/adult-education/liturgy-office/>

Offertory

For those now able to attend Mass, donations can once again be made in the offertory basket, which will be placed at the back of the church. The distribution of envelopes for the 2020/21 tax year is now possible, so if you are an envelope user, you may collect your box of envelopes from Father Robert.

If you are not yet able to attend Mass, you can make a one-off donation using PayPal, provided by Clifton Diocese, on our website. For methods of making regular donations, please email Robert Vaux treasurer.tisbury.thesacredheart@cliftondiocese.com for information.

The Alice Combes Trust supported by The Lord Arundell of Wardour Charitable Trust have created a special fund to distribute to people who are currently suffering financial hardship as a direct result of Covid-19. Sean Moran: 01747 871258 or email alicecombestrust@gmail.com

Father Robert recommends some of the articles on this CCN website particularly Loss, Separation and Trauma: <https://mailchi.mp/cbcew/230320-1183514?e=fcc126cd78>

Our newsletter by email: do send your email address to me and I will send you the newsletter each week catechist.tisbury.thesacredheart@cliftondiocese.com Catherine

Plants for Sale: all takings to Mary's Meals. We have alstroemerias in flower, tiger lilies not yet in flower, some herbs, a black hollyhock and other plants. Please contact **Mike and Liz Montgomery** on 01747 828403 to arrange a time. We are right beside the Forester pub in Donhead St Andrew.

Pilgrimage: Due to unavoidable circumstances, some people have dropped out of the **pilgrimage to Walsingham** on 5th October, travelling by coach and staying overnight, so there are now up to 8 vacancies. If you would like to come, the cost would be approximately £112 to include travel board, dinner, breakfast and picnic lunch at the Catholic Shrine after Mass. This would be an excellent way to emerge from the pandemic, especially in this year of Rededication of England as the Dowry of Mary. Please phone Veronica Hodges at 01747 870254.



Slipper Chapel, Walsingham

*Teach us, O, God, to view our life here on Earth as a pilgrim's path to heaven,
and give us grace to tread it courageously in the company of your faithful people.
Help us to set our affections of things above, not on the passing vanities of this world.
Grant that we may journey in the way of holiness,
that we may bear a good witness to the Lord
and serve all who need our help along the way.
For the glory of your name.
Amen.*

Illustration: In the 1950s, faced with the spread of Soviet and Chinese communism, the United States turned in on itself to root out the enemy within. Home-grown communists were believed to be everywhere – from Hollywood actors and directors, to lawyers, civil rights workers, teachers and trade unionists. J. Edgar Hoover's FBI spearheaded the efforts to weed out this internal threat. There was an atmosphere of mistrust and fear as friends and colleagues denounced each other, thousands of government workers were dismissed without just cause, while other people, such as the great Charlie Chaplin, abandoned the USA in search of greater freedom abroad. The very standards and values of democracy which the US government was so determined to defend were in fact being eroded by the corrupt methods used to identify the so-called "Reds under the bed".

Gospel Teaching: The desire to root out perceived evil is a universal temptation for humanity. Hitler's concentration camps, Stalin's purges, China's Cultural Revolution, the Spanish Inquisition and the witch-hunts of medieval Europe – humanity's history is littered with the bloody attempts to create by force a pure and uncontaminated society. Religion is particularly prone to the desire to create a perfect community of the saved. After all, isn't that the point of faith – to strive for perfection and to root out sin? So it is striking to hear Jesus warn against such zeal. In response no doubt to questions about how the faithful should respond to the presence of evil in the world – and perhaps even within the community of believers – Jesus rejects the solution of the witch-hunt and inquisition: let both weed and wheat grow together, side by side, until the harvest. Only God can judge the human heart, and if mere human beings set themselves up to be judge, jury and executioner, then the long dark history of persecutions, show trials and extermination camps provides ample evidence that the good are inevitably going to be destroyed along with the bad, the wheat will be pulled up with the dandelion. That is not the way with the kingdom of God. The other two parables go on to show that the kingdom is not to be imposed by force and violence. It is a kingdom that grows gradually – even from small beginnings – like the mustard seed. Such growth needs time, it has a rhythm all of its own – God's rhythm. And the effect of the kingdom is that it gradually transforms people from within – like yeast which turns the dough into nourishing bread. There is no room for compulsion or imposition in the kingdom. Human kingdoms and empires might grow by means of conquest or force, but the kingdom of God grows when people respond to it freely, when there is good soil – a receptive heart, which can bring forth a rich harvest of good works. The seed of the kingdom has the power to transform both individuals and the world. But never by force, and never in a hurry.

Application: Today's first reading provides the key to God's patience: God's delay in uprooting evil is to provide us with the hope and opportunity of repentance. Just as every community is composed of good and bad, so it is with every individual. Our lives are a mixture of wheat and dandelion. The Lord is patient in order to allow us to respond to his love, so that our wheat may ripen, the seed of God's word may grow within us and our true selves may flourish. God gives us the time to show by our lives that our fundamental choice is for the values of the kingdom – that we choose to be life-giving wheat rather than life choking weeds. And if we accept this time as a moment of grace, then we will learn from God to be equally patient and compassionate towards our brothers and sisters, as the book of Wisdom tells us. The way of the people of the kingdom is not to do violence to ourselves or to others, but to allow God's gentle and persistent love to bring forth a harvest of good works within us. If we focus on the good in our lives and our world – if we allow God's kingdom to grow within us and transform our lives – then we need not be concerned with the dandelion. God can deal with that in God's good time. Today we rejoice that the Lord is patient and mild in judgement – and gives us all time to grow into kingdom people.