

# Sacred Heart Tisbury & All Saints Wardour Castle

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Father Robert says Holy Mass each day at 9.00a.m. within Sacred Heart, Tisbury

**Churches will be open for private prayer**

**Sacred Heart, Tisbury on Tuesday, 10 – 12 Noon; Thursday, 2-4pm and Saturday, 10-12 Noon**

**All Saints', Wardour, Sunday 10.30 -11.00am**

**Live stream from St Osmund's: CELEBRATION OF MASS WILL OCCUR WITHOUT A PUBLIC CONGREGATION**

<https://salisburycatholics.org/st-osmunds>

June	28	<b>SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES</b> <i>Diocesan prayer league: St Augustine of Canterbury, Matson English Martyrs, Tuffley, Gloucester</i> 10.00 MASS    12.00 Ordinariate MASS    18.00 MASS <b>St Osmund's</b>
	29	<b>Monday</b> 10.00 and 19.00 MASS <b>St Osmund's</b>
	30	<b>Tuesday Dedication of the Cathedral Church of Sts Peter and Paul</b> 10.00 and 19.00 MASS <b>St Osmund's</b> All day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament    18.40 Benediction
July	1	<b>Wednesday Saint Oliver Plunket, Bishop, Martyr</b> 10.00 and 19.00 MASS <b>St Osmund's</b>
	2	<b>Thursday</b> 10.00 and 19.00 MASS <b>St Osmund's</b> All day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 18.40 Benediction
	3	<b>Friday FEAST OF ST THOMAS, APOSTLE</b> 10.00 and 19.00 MASS <b>St Osmund's</b>
	4	<b>Saturday</b> 10.00    MASS <b>St Osmund's</b>
	5	<b>SUNDAY FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> <i>Diocesan prayer league: St Benet, Kemerton, St Joseph, Tewkesbury, St Nicholas, Winchcombe, with Bishop's Cleeve</i>  <b>Spiritual Communion – Prayer of St Alphonsus</b> 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. <i>Amen.</i>

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

This month, during which the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart occurs, the Pope asks that **“We pray that all those who suffer may find their way in life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus”**.

**PRAYERS:** for all those suffering; for the kindly helpers in all sorts of areas of our lives; for those alone, the worried and those who are unwell. Amongst our parishioners, Mary Maidment at Avonbourne, Mary MacDermot (now back at home) and Elizabeth Croft in hospital.

**Prayers please: John Bell should have some long-awaited surgery in Southampton Hospital this week RM**

## **OTHER PARISH NEWS:**

Our churches re-open for collective worship from 4<sup>th</sup> July. This is wonderful news. The full letter from the four Archbishops is below. In the meantime, Father Robert and his team are working out the best way forward. **It is important to note** that our Sunday obligation is suspended until further notice. Clearly, we have to maintain a distance and will need guidance on how we manage at Mass. Mass times will be circulated when they are agreed. Information will be emailed to you and put in the Parish Room window. The easel will be outside the Sacred Heart church too.

The idea of extending the **Sacred Heart sound system** if we have an overflow at Mass has been voiced. Do you know a competent person in the area to advise? Email Father Robert and/or Robert (Vaux) [treasurer.tisbury.thesacredheart@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:treasurer.tisbury.thesacredheart@cliftondiocese.com)

**Volunteer Stewards Required** Please note that if at any time we do not have volunteer stewards to assist at a Mass, that Mass cannot be opened to a congregation. If you are willing to assist and are 'non-vulnerable', please do volunteer

### **Our Czech seminarians:**

Prayers for Milan Werl ordained to the diaconate in Brno Cathedral on June 20<sup>th</sup>.

Michal Krenželok: Ordination: 27<sup>th</sup> June at the Cathedral of the Most Holy Saviour in Ostrava

First Mass: 4<sup>th</sup> July at the Church of Corpus Christi, Jablunkov

**News of our sacristan Teresa and Stephen Hill** who moved to Downton a while ago: They are sorting out the garden from scratch and pleased to be closer to their children and grandchildren. They were delighted to hear our news and send their greetings to all.

## **OUR CHURCHES HAVE RE-OPENED FOR PRIVATE PRAYER:**

**Sacred Heart:** The CHURCH OPEN board will be put out and an easel giving times. These are also on the newsletter in the Parish Room window. Bring your mask. Thank you to all the Steward volunteers and Anne Evans for organising the rota. **(more volunteers needed please!)** Thanks to the cleaners who have to take special measures. If you are willing to join the cleaning team, phone Teresa 870690.

**Wardour Chapel:** will be open for private prayer **every Sunday** from 1030-1100 for private prayer. The Trustees will ensure strict social distancing is observed. Everyone is encouraged to use the car park rather than park outside the Chapel.

**St Osmund's:** open for Individual Private Prayer: Monday to Friday 12:00 to 14:00; Saturday & Sunday 14:00 to 16:00. **See St O's newsletter for more info**

**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.

**Sea Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July:** Father's usual blessing of the hats for Apostleship of the Sea will be delayed this year. KEEP KNITTING!

**MORE VOLUNTEERS For WEEKDAY PRIVATE PRAYER PLEASE: A few more stewards would be wonderful. If you think you may be able to assist for an hour or so, please email Anne:**  
[arivlin@doctors.org.uk](mailto:arivlin@doctors.org.uk)

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

**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](mailto:alicecombestrust@gmail.com)

**From Father Robert:** *You may know something about wine but I wonder how much you know about wine **bottles**? I don't touch the stuff if I can avoid it, but Richard Berkley-Matthews, of Clarion Wines, recently pointed me to some interesting names of bottle sizes which might be unfamiliar to you. Have you ever seen a Melchizedek bottle?*

*These are the bottle sizes:- Magnum (1.5 Litre), Jeroboam (3.00L) Rehoboam (4.5L) Methusalah (6.00 L), Salmanazar (9L), Balthazar (12L), Nebuchadnezzar (15L), Melchior (18L), Solomon (20L), Sovereign (26L), Goliath (27L), Melchizedek (30L). (spellings might vary slightly)*

*It should be easy to spot the odd one out: Sovereign is only a recent one as it was named to mark the launch of the Sovereign of the Seas in 1988, when it was the world's largest cruise liner. Also, being a ship, it is the only female in the list. For the remainder most appear as characters in the Old Testament. The remaining two, if not directly Biblical, are at least 'religious'. Why Biblical names should be chosen, when, where (France?) and by whom, I have no idea. If you don't know the answers to most of what follows, see if you can find your Bible....*

*Now here's the difficult bit. Magnum is not Biblical but like Sovereign hints at a link through superlatives - biggest, oldest, longest. See if you can link these details to the bottle name. First King of the Northern Kingdom of Israel. An Assyrian King. 1st King of the separated southern kingdom. Oldest man. One remembered for his grand feast. Longest ruler of Babylon. Oldest of the Magi (=Wise Men). Wisest Man. Strongest man. And one who did not die. If you get really stuck, try Google - it worked for me.*

*Wine gets many mentions in the Bible. It not being mentioned before the Flood prompted some scholars, as late as the 18th century, to suggest that it came later, otherwise Noah, knowing its intoxicating effect, would not have drunk too much; an interesting theory. Look up wine in a Concordance (a dictionary of every word in the Bible) and you will discover listed some hundred occurrences of the word, more if you add words with wine in combination with a hyphen. Water in Biblical times was dodgy, so the alcohol in wine when added would have made it safer to drink, but don't try drinking sanitizer.*

*Most obvious for Christians is the use in the Gospels, particularly at the Last Supper, when the Lord commands, 'Do this', which lies behind our celebration of the Mass, but once you start looking for the word, you begin to notice it in many other places. In John 2, Jesus' first recorded miracle was to change water into wine, at the wedding in Cana in Galilee. Most Bible translations indicate six water pots each holding between 10 and 20 gallons. The AV or 'King James' version refers to firkins, which was half a kilderkin. (The firkin was 9 gallons or 40.9 litres). The mathematically inclined should have little difficulty in converting gallons to litres. Then it would require but a small step to identify which of those modern bottle sizes would have been required. The Lord is always generous. **RM***

### **A Message from the Metropolitan Archbishops of the Catholic Church in England regarding the resumption of collective worship in England:**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. On Tuesday we heard the announcement that, from the 4 July this year, places of worship will be able to reopen for prayer and services. We welcome this news with great joy. Since the lockdown began, members of all faiths have faced restrictions on how they have been able to celebrate important religious festivals. Our own experience of Easter was unlike any other we have known. Now, in our churches, and with our people, we can look forward again to celebrating the central mysteries of our faith in the Holy Eucharist.

The recent reopening of our churches for individual private prayer was an important milestone on our journey towards resuming communal worship. Our churches that have opened have put in place all the measures needed to ensure the risks of virus transmission are minimised. This includes effective hand sanitisation, social distancing, and cleaning. We remain committed to making sure these systems of hygiene and infection control meet Government and public health standards.

We want to thank everyone within the Catholic community for sustaining the life of faith in such creative ways, not least in the family home. We thank our priests for celebrating Mass faithfully for their people, and for the innovative ways in which they have enabled participation through live-streaming and other means. We are grateful for the pastoral care shown by our clergy to those for whom this time of lockdown has been especially difficult, and, in particular, towards those who have been bereaved. We recognise too the chaplaincy services that have played a vital role in supporting those most in need. Gaining from the experience of all that we have been through, and bringing those lessons into the future, we must now look forward.

With the easing of restrictions on worship with congregations, we tread carefully along the path that lies ahead. Our lives have been changed by the experience of the pandemic and it is clear that we cannot simply return to how things were before lockdown. We remain centred on the Lord Jesus and His command at the Last Supper to “do this in memory of me.” We must now rebuild what it means to be Eucharistic communities, holding fast to all that we hold dear, while at the same time exploring creative ways to meet changed circumstances.

It is important to reaffirm that, at present, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended. A significant number of churches may remain closed as they are unable to meet the requirements for opening for individual prayer. Fulfilling these requirements is a precondition for any church opening after the 4th July for the celebration of Mass with a congregation.

Please be aware that there will be a limit on the number of people who can attend Mass in our churches. This will be determined locally in accordance with social distancing requirements. We therefore need to reflect carefully on how and when we might be able to attend Mass. We cannot return immediately to our customary practices. This next step is not, in any sense, a moment when we are going ‘back to normal’. We ask every Catholic to think carefully about how and when they will return to Mass. Our priests may need to consider whether it is possible to celebrate additional Masses at the weekends. Given there is no Sunday obligation, we ask you to consider the possibility of attending Mass on a weekday. This will ease the pressure of numbers for Sunday celebrations and allow a gradual return to the Eucharist for more people.

Moving forward, there will still be many people who cannot attend Mass in person. We therefore ask parishes, wherever possible, to continue live-streaming Sunday Mass, both for those who remain shielding and vulnerable, and also for those unable to leave home because of advanced age or illness. When we return to Mass there will be some differences in how the celebration takes place. For the time being, there will be no congregational singing and Mass will be shorter than usual. None of this detracts from the centrality of our encounter with the Risen Christ in the Eucharist. We ask everyone to respect and follow the guidance that will be issued and the instructions in each church.

“As I have loved you,” said the Lord Jesus, “so you must love each other.” (Jn 13:34) The lockdown has brought forth remarkable acts of charity, of loving kindness, from Catholics across our communities as they have cared for the needy and vulnerable.

We have seen love in action through charitable works, and through the service of many front-line keyworkers who are members of our Church. Now we can begin to return to the source of that charity, Christ himself, present for us sacramentally, body, blood, soul and divinity, in Holy Communion. As we prepare to gather again to worship, let us, respectful of each other, come together in thanksgiving to God for the immense gift of the Holy Eucharist.

Yours devotedly in Christ,

✠ **Vincent Cardinal Nichols**

Archbishop of Westminster

✠ **Malcolm McMahon OP**

Archbishop of Liverpool

✠ **Bernard Longley**

Archbishop of Birmingham

✠ **John Wilson**

Archbishop of Southwark

**Our Lady, Star of the Sea, pray for seafarers, pray for us.**