

# 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

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

<https://salisbury Catholics.org/st-osmunds>

- May**
- 17 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
*Diocesan prayer league: St Stanislaus, Dulverton,  
Sacred Heart, Minehead with Watchet*  
10.00 MASS 12.00 Ordinariate MASS 18.00 MASS **St Osmund's**
- 18 Monday**  
10.00 and 19.00 MASS **St Osmund's**
- 19 Tuesday Memorial of St Dunstan, Bishop**  
**Father Robert's 9am Mass is for Jo Wolfe RIP**  
10.00 and 19.00 MASS **St Osmund's**  
All day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
18.40 Benediction
- 20 Wednesday**  
10.00 and 19.00 MASS **St Osmund's**
- 21 Thursday SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD, Holiday of Obligation**  
10.00 and 19.00 MASS **St Osmund's**  
All day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
18.40 Benediction
- 22 Friday**  
10.00 and 19.00 MASS **St Osmund's**
- 23 Saturday**  
10.00 MASS **St Osmund's**
- 24 SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
*Diocesan prayer league: St Dominic, Dursley  
St Joseph, Nympsfield*

**PRAYERS: for all those suffering; for the wonderful helpers in all sorts of areas of our lives; for the lonely, the anxious and for all those who are unwell. Pope Francis' Month of May prayer intentions for Deacons. Please pray for the souls of Martin Morland, Patricia Talbot and Jim Bell, RIP who have died recently and Jo Wolfe, who died on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May, RIP (see below)**

Jo died peacefully, aged 96, in Albany House early this morning. The staff there have been wonderful. As you would expect she wanted no fuss. She will be cremated. **The Mass on Tuesday 19th May at 0900 in Sacred Heart will be for the repose of her soul.** You may like to join in wherever you are by praying with the same intention at that time. RM 14<sup>th</sup> May 2020

**Volunteers/help needed?** For any sort of assistance, ranging from a telephone call to help with food shopping and delivering, Michael Hodges is co-ordinating a group of volunteers in the Parish. Contact him on: 01747 870254 and email [michael.jeremyhodges@gmail.com](mailto:michael.jeremyhodges@gmail.com)

**OTHER PARISH NEWS:** Best wishes and congratulations to Patricia and Peter Coopman celebrating their ruby wedding anniversary this weekend!

Trussell Trust donations: Peter did run 9 and a bit circuits of the King George V field on Marathon Sunday- 26<sup>th</sup> April which was approximately 2.6 miles. Unfortunately his Strava app on his phone failed to work so the precise distance was not measured. Many thanks to those who have or intend to donate for the Trussell Trust.  
*Patricia*

Mike Montgomery has flourishing alstroemeria which he would normally sell raising money for Mary's Meals. Do contact him if you would like some (collection from the Donheads)

Many of our parishioners are involved in helping run village shops, delivering and generally being wonderful-  
THANK YOU!

- Please read St Osmund's newsletter about the Novena to the Holy Spirit from Friday 22 May to 30 May.
- Age UK offers delivering hot meals in Wiltshire: 01793 279606 or go to their website:  
<https://www.ageuk.org.uk/wiltshire/our-services/meal-delivery-service/>

We think especially of all our families and the young who would have taken their First Holy Communion tomorrow, Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May.

Loving Lord, bless all families. Fill them with love for you and for each other in life's daily ups and downs. Let them find lifelong encouragement and support whether they are together or apart. Lord, bless our families with health, happiness and safety in all their undertakings. Amen

The week of 16-24<sup>th</sup> May has been designated Laudato Si' (praise be) Week when we are asked to pray about caring for Our Common Home. Laudata Si' Week will end on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May, with a global day of prayer. The weeklong celebration is to honour Pope Francis' encyclical on ecology and climate change, and to encourage us to build a better world together. Pope Francis has encouraged us all to participate in Laudato Si' Week though a short video: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=DHlzOWp8ZQY&feature=youtu.be](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DHlzOWp8ZQY&feature=youtu.be)

### **Re-opening Churches**

Cardinal Vincent Nichols spoke to presenter Justin Webb on BBC Radio 4's Today programme on 14 May about how Catholic Churches can be safely re-opened for private prayer as the UK government eases its lockdown restrictions to combat the spread of COVID-19. It is well worth reading (or hearing) if you click on this link: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/cardinal-on-safely-re-opening-churches-for-private-prayer/>

An amusing cartoon can be seen at the end of the newsletter! Beware!

**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)

**Carer seeks live-in**, long-term employment. Clean driving licence, linguist. Contact either Fr Robert (01747 870228) or Katie Page (830834/830278) [katiepage@btconnect.com](mailto:katiepage@btconnect.com)

**Each Thursday** there is a live streamed Mass for NHS, Social Care workers, those who are sick and for their families. Mass on 21<sup>st</sup> May comes from Shrewsbury Cathedral, 28<sup>th</sup> May from Middlesbrough Cathedral and should be available on this link: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC12EvW0Eg-cFTh5i2y\\_EQw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC12EvW0Eg-cFTh5i2y_EQw)

### **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.*

**Alone Together:** <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/health-social-care/coronavirus-guidelines/prayer-and-worship-at-home/alone-together/>

**Useful Prayers:** <https://www.walsingham.org.uk/prayers-at-mass/>

### **Homily from Father Robert:**

It may be said this is too depressing to read, but some things which at first sight **look** depressing, are on reflection really words of **encouragement**. If you are following the daily Mass readings for the Easter season, in the first, from Acts, you will have noticed, on the one hand, the Church spread rapidly, and on the other, quite a few who did the spreading came to a very unpleasant end - which they accepted because Christians reckon to know a bit about death and what follows. Not for them the words from Psalm 39, 'Lord let me know my end and the number of my days'.

These thoughts were prompted by the increasing forecasts that, if we are not careful, Covid-19 will return with greater force and worse results. I am no expert in these matters but I was reminded of Professor Leon Festinger's Book, *A Theory of Cognitive Dissonance* (1957) of which there are several short and easy-to-read summaries on Google. Festinger was doing some research which took him to, I think, India. He noticed after an earthquake, it was invariably followed by rumours that another and worse was shortly to strike.

He offered an example closer to home. Your ancient car is getting unreliable, and expensive to repair. The local garage has one or two rather good offers. After much thought you decide to buy one. It is a great improvement on your old car - but as you drive home, you keep going over in your mind (cognitive) the reasons why you got rid of its predecessor, and worry (dissonance) whether you made a wrong decision. After a few days driving the new car, you settle down to the change. You have achieved a state of consonance.

This is something we all do, one way or another. Some folk even worry that they have nothing to worry about: 'Something is sure to go wrong'. It has been wisely said that worry is a waste of time. you worry all night. Next morning the problem is still there - so the worry achieved nothing more than a poor night's sleep. Or the problem has solved itself - your worry has been wasted. Or it has changed - you've been worrying about the wrong thing. Everyone dies, and before one does, all sorts of things can happen, some wonderful, some alarming - usually to other people. In our prayers we can identify with the alarming bits ('Lord let me know my end...' Ps 39) and fill our prayers with worries. We may not notice or, if we do, forget to give thanks for the wonderful bits.

And yet the Good News remains. 'Where I am, there will my servant be'. 'Trust in me'. Or from the last book in the Bible, 'Lo, I am with you until the end of time'. As Christians we look beyond the forecasts. Crucifixion is followed by Resurrection.

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### **Prayers for the Pandemic: for those who are anxious**

God of Gethsemane,  
who knew deep anxiety,  
the desire for the cup to be taken away,  
your sweat dropping onto the clay of earth like blood,  
be with those who suffer at this time  
from anxiety, the fear of their world  
running out of control.  
The facts alone  
fan the embers of anxiety  
in all of us: the grim daily numbers,  
the fear of falling ill, of facing our end.  
In our loneliest darkness,  
in the night of our Gethsemane,  
may we find you there.

**Raymond Friel**

**Catholic Safeguarding Advisory Service:**

<https://www.csas.uk.net/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/Guidance-Supporting-people-who-may-be-experiencing-domestic-violence.pdf>

**Helpline numbers:**

Woman's Aid - National Domestic Violence Helpline – 0808 2000 247

The mix – Advice for the under 25yrs. – 0808 808 4994

Advice for Male Victims of Domestic Violence - 0808 8801 0327

Childline – Deals with a vast variety of children concerns including Domestic Violence. 0800 111



Mrs. Jones got a little too used to watching online worship from home.

