

SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

HOLY REDEEMER + ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (C)

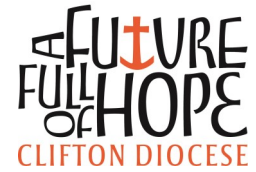
From Father Anthony

It had been one of those noisy days. Sirens cried out all day long, like tortured souls ripping and tearing at the air. Traffic rumbled and belched like the belly of some dyspeptic giant: phone and front door buzzed like insects intent on a meal... even the computer made rude noises! Later I sat outside in the gloaming, the silence framed by a blackbird singing good night to the day. What a contrast! I settled down to the noise of my thoughts, trying to find the space from which they were heard... silence.

Much has been said and written about the doctrine of the Holy Trinity. Theology and Philosophy have argued a lot and occasionally agreed. Some have called it nonsense others a Holy Mystery. A mystery, by definition, cannot be understood... but it can be experienced. We can enter into a mystery and become a part of it. It reveals itself in the experience. It is *experience not intellectual understanding* that the Saints point to.

The Gospel tells us that a Person of the Trinity has been given to us; that we can experience this Person who will *guide us*. He incorporates us into the Trinity and is experienced as an inner reality, an activity of the Trinity. We call Him the Holy Spirit. He will convey to us everything He *learns* (the word means *to hear, comprehend*) from the Father: that what He *hears* from the Father is also owned by the Son. The activity and knowledge of the Trinity therefore, is available to us... if we are available to Him. Just as the Holy Spirit *hears* the Father so we must learn to *hear* the Holy Spirit within. How?

Holy means set apart. There is something about us that is *set apart*. This we must find and occupy. The very action of the Holy Spirit *hearing* or *comprehending* the Father teaches us to do the same. We must learn to go beyond worldly and mental noise in order to find and occupy the space from which *all is heard*... silence. It is this silence that sets us apart from the world. Here we experience the breath (*sound*) of God (*spirit means air or breath; it indicates His creativity... the Truth*). We may not hear audible words but in the silence, we join with His *breathing, the breath of Truth* and therefore, become one with it... experience it.



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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 : 2972**

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY - SUNDAY 12 JUNE

The mystery of the Holy Trinity is the foundation of our faith. On it everything else depends and from it everything else derives. Hence the Church's constant concern to safeguard the revealed truth that God is One in nature and Three in Persons. On our website from Father John Hardon SJ is an explanation as to how the doctrine was developed and the various positions that, throughout the Church's history, have challenged the revealed Trinitarian faith. We also have a video named 'Meaning of the Trinity' by Bishop Robert Barron. Click on image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Glastonbury: Sunday 10 July 2022 - Following a two year absence due to Covid, the Annual Pilgrimage to Glastonbury, led by Bishop Declan, is taking place again this year on the second Sunday in July; Sunday 10 July 2022. The theme of this year's pilgrimage is 'Mary, Queen of Peace'. For more information click on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

Salisbury Catholics Summer BBQ/Fun Day - 17 July. Representatives from all three parishes are working together to plan a summer afternoon of friendship, fun and food for us all. This is going to be an ideal occasion to get to know some of our new parishioners who have joined the parishes during the pandemic. If you would like to volunteer to help in any way, we'd love to hear from you: email Dave Blake: wessexwildlife@gmail.com

Pope to elevate Archbishop Arthur Roche to rank of Cardinal. Archbishop Arthur Roche, Prefect of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, will be elevated to the rank of Cardinal in a Consistory on Saturday, 27 August 2022. To read more click on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

Work at St Osmund's Parishioners have worked hard to demolish the old dilapidated brick shed behind St Osmunds Church and put in place the groundwork to enable its replacement with two new ones. This will help to provide some much-needed clean and dry storage space for the Church. Huge thanks for all their hard work goes to Mike O'Neill, Kevin Lynn, Mike Riding, Mark Gainey, Nick Cusack, Michael Presley and to Mick Regan of M J Abbott for the provision of a digger. Thank you all.... As this work is ongoing, please DO NOT park on the church driveway.

Salisbury Foodbank Emergency Appeal for tinned tomatoes, tinned & dry mashed potatoes, tinned fish, fruit & rice pudding; custard, long life milk, long life fruit juice and tea bags. Please donate in the box in the entrance at any one of our churches.

SCORE Collection - This weekend 11 & 12 June there will be a retiring collection for overseas projects. You can also donate by clicking on the 'Donate' button on our homepage or via the contactless machine in St Osmund's porch or by [clicking here](#).

Day for Life 2022 19 June - 'Day for Life' is the day in our calendar set aside to celebrate life from conception to natural death. This year the focus is on caring for and valuing the elderly. There will be a retiring collection for 'Day for Life' next weekend 18 & 19 June.

SPUC Stall this Saturday 11 June in Salisbury Market between 8am and 1pm. Do go along and support this worthy cause. For information contact either Alison on 01722 741681 or Bernadette on 01722 711137.

Salisbury Catholics Parishioner Lunch on 9 June raised £74 for the SCORE Ukraine fund. Well done to all the ladies who made it such a success and to everyone who came.

My Generation: There are photos and a **5 second video** of their recent 'Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration'. To view please go to our Photo Gallery or just [click here](#). On the 6 July they are having a coach trip to Weymouth, meeting at St Gregory's at 9.45am for 10am departure, returning at 5pm. Cost £8.00. If you are interested in joining with this trip, please contact Chris Francis on 01722 321109.

PARISH ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT - EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Salisbury Catholic Churches is seeking to appoint an Administration Assistant to work in our busy parish office based in St Osmund's parish rooms. This is an exciting opportunity to join our friendly team and work in support of the mission of our three parishes. For further details and information on how to apply, click on the 'Vacancy' button on the homepage of our website or [click here](#). We would be most grateful if parishioners would assist us in our recruitment process by telling everyone you know who may be appropriate for this role. We are looking for someone dynamic and motivated with good IT and administration skills. There can be some flexibility with hours worked to accommodate an applicant with childcare issues in the school holidays.

BECOMING CATHOLIC:

The Nicodemus Group: For people who wish to share their faith (or lack of it!) with others in a very simple way; by sharing a meal together and reading the gospels. The six sessions in the current segment in the Easter period are now complete. The group will reconvene in September for a further segment of six sessions, dates to be confirmed.

Journey in Faith: This is an on-going programme for adults who are interested in Christianity, but who are not confirmed Catholics. The next meeting is on Sunday 26 June at 3pm in the Parish Rooms at St Osmund.

For more information please visit 'Becoming Catholic' on our main menu or [click here](#) or contact Dave Blake nicodemus@salisburycatholics.org.

Baptism Preparation Course - The next course will take place on three Thursdays: 30 June, 7 July and 14 July all at 7pm in St Osmund's Parish Rooms. Please complete a 'Baptism Application' by clicking on the 'Registration' button on our homepage or by [clicking here](#). For further information please contact Deacon John Proctor on 07802 631968.

Relative in Hospital? Please let us know as soon as possible if you have a relative in hospital that may need/wish for a visit from a priest. Last minute/urgent calls can be very difficult to fulfil as our clergy have very full diaries and these things are best not left to chance! Letting us know in good time is very helpful and means that a visit is much more likely to be made in a timely fashion. Thank you. Contact the parish office 01722 562703.

Lost Property - A number of lost property items have been acquired at St Osmund's in recent months. Most of these items have been with us for a while now. Please visit our lost property page by clicking on the button on the 'Home Page' or just [click here](#). Anything not claimed by 30 June will be given away to charity or disposed of. Please contact the Parish Office office@salisburycatholics.org or phone 01722 562703 to claim an item and arrange to collect it.

Sunday Homilies: This weekend both Bishop Jim Golka and Bishop Robert Barron reflect on 'The Holy Trinity'. Please click on the 'Sunday Homily' button on our homepage or [click here](#).

Children's Liturgy: 'Father, Son, and Holy Spirit! Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity'. Click on 'Church TV' then select 'Children's Liturgy' or [click here](#).

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

Rosary Group meets each Wednesday to pray the Rosary together via Zoom. Please contact Josephine on 01722 328410 for information. Everyone is welcome to join.

LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year C-2 Ordinary Time Week 11 - Psalter 3, Proper of the Solemnity

Saturday 11 June

10:00 St Osmund MASS Margaret Pearson & Family

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS Intentions of Carmela Kelly

SUNDAY 12 June

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

09:00 St Gregory MASS Florence Matthews & Eileen Wright RIP

09:00 St Osmund MASS People of the Parish

11:00 St Osmund MASS Special Intention

12:15 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

16:00 St Osmund Polish MASS

18:00 St Osmund MASS George Galibardy RIP

Monday 13 June

Saint Anthony of Padua

10:00 St Osmund MASS Mary Robson RIP

Tuesday 14 June

10:00 St Osmund MASS Karen Last RIP

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:00 St Osmund Benediction

Wednesday 15 June

10:00 Holy Redeemer MASS Mary Kevina Nakitto

No Ordinariate MASS

Thursday 16 June

10:00 St Osmund MASS Marie Therese Farley RIP

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:00 St Osmund Benediction

18:30 Downton MASS

Friday 17 June

10:00 St Gregory MASS Paddy Talty

19:00 St Osmund MASS Frank Farley RIP

Saturday 18 June

10:00 St Osmund MASS Intentions of Carmela Kelly

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS In Thanksgiving

RECONCILIATION

St Gregory	Fridays	After the 10:00 Mass
St Osmund	Saturdays	10:30 to 11:00
Holy Redeemer	Saturdays	17:30 until Mass

PRAYER & SCRIPTURE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR JUNE

Families

We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives. [Click here.](#)

CLIFTON DIOCESE

We pray this week for the parishes of St Edmund (Calne) and St Anthony of Padua (Melksham).

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Teresa Whatley, Mabel Perkins, Rita Brockhurst, Tom Lewis, Anthony Baker and Sylvester Duff who died recently and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

Proverbs 8:22-31

Psalms 8

How great is your name, O Lord our God, through all the earth!

Romans 5:1-5

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, the God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

John 16:12-15

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS For baptisms please contact Deacon John Proctor or Deacon Stephen Godwin.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION If you have a child who will be in Year 3 or above from September 2023, please use our online form to apply to join our next preparation programme. [Click here.](#)

CONFIRMATION Bishop Declan will be coming on **5 July** this year to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation. For further information please call the office or contact Annette by email at confirmation@salisbury Catholics.org

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@clifftondiocese.com

UPDATE FROM FR ANTHONY ON THE PARISH MERGER PROCESS

The following summary document was sent by email to all parishioners of our three parishes during the past week. If you did not receive an email, it may mean that you are either not registered or the contact details we hold for you are either incomplete or outdated.

Please contact the Parish Office if you did not receive an email.

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To: People of the Parishes of Holy Redeemer, St Gregory's and St Osmund's.

UPDATE/SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES MERGER CONSULTATION

1. Introduction In March of 2022 Bishop Declan granted permission for Salisbury Catholic Churches (SCC) to hold an open consultation among its parishioners in respect of formally merging the parishes of the Most Holy Redeemer, St Gregory and the English Martyrs, and St Osmund's.

2. The consultation has taken place and collated evidence has been submitted to the Bishop for his deliberation.

3. Background The consultation process comprised six phases:

- a. Initial announcement at all Masses, in our newsletter and on our website.
- b. Consultation with the Deanery Priests
- c. Issuing a document outlining the details of the proposed merger
- d. Issuing a Questionnaire
- e. Conducting Parish Consultation Meetings using the Synodal Process
- f. Sifting and summarising the evidence
- g. Submitting the evidence

4. Evidence The collated evidence was sent to the Bishop electronically in three separate digital files followed by a hard copy, contained in a Lever Arch File, comprising three Annexes:

- a. Annex A contained Completed Questionnaires
- b. Annex B contained summaries of the Parish Consultation Meetings
- c. Annex C contained relevant documents and the timetable given to parishioners

5. Relevant Data is as follows:

- a. The Deanery clergy supported the proposed merger as a pragmatic and sensible way forward.
- b. SCC comprises over 2800 declared parishioners which probably represents a third of the total Catholic population:
- c. 123 completed the questionnaire electronically with 15 completing a hard copy.
- d. 72 persons attended over three meetings, one held in each Parish.
- e. The questionnaires were sifted and graded overall as Yes, Equivocal, No.
- f. Evidence from the Parish Consultation Meetings was overwhelmingly in favour of the merger.
- g. 138 questionnaires were returned:
 - i. 130 were graded Yes
 - ii. 6 graded Equivocal
 - iii. 2 graded No.

6. Response The overall response was low in terms of returned questionnaires but high in terms of casual conversations at the end of Mass, by telephone and email. When parishioners were asked why they had not contributed to the process the most common reply was, 'I thought we were merged already' and 'please get on with it'.
7. Observations A brief summary of Fears and Common Themes follows:
- a. Fears:
- i. Communities losing their identities.
 - ii. Mass times may change making it harder for the elderly to travel and attend.
 - iii. Greater focus might be given to St Osmund's should it remain the Parish Church to the detriment of the other church communities.
 - iv. Concerns were raised about the name of the new Parish but it is widely accepted that St Osmund's will remain the Parish Church and Parish name for historical reasons.
 - v. Whilst accepting that all money and property lies with the newly merged parish, one parishioner asked for the money belonging to Holy Redeemer to be ring-fenced for that building alone.
 - vi. Fears were also expressed that the future of Holy Redeemer was not assured.
- b. Common themes:
- i. In general, there was an acceptance that with fewer priests we have to move forward and merging is the best manner to do so Canonically.
 - ii. We are now in a time of crisis and therefore Deacons and Lay People should be allowed to take Eucharistic Services, not only at weekends, but also during the week.
 - iii. We must do more to encourage our youth.
 - iv. The Church must revisit its position on married and women priests. One person thought that our attempts to prepare for the future were 'not radical enough'.
8. Conclusion The overwhelming response was positive and we are strongly urged to 'get on with it'. Our recommendation to the Bishop was that he merge the Parishes.

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