

PARISH OF ST OSMUND

ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND

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ORDINARY TIME WEEK 28 (C)

From Father Anthony

I battled my way along Catherine Street keeping pace with heavy clouds and made my way into the square; it looked lonely with only a few stalls and none of the usual colour and buzz; a *partial market* due to Storm Amy. I managed to get a few things, had a chat and, hood up, made my way back. Seeing the square so uncluttered made me think about the clutter in my own life, my thoughts and actions and how I probably needed a good clear out.

This week's Gospel passage portrays a spiritual journey that we all must make; a journey that ends fear and loneliness and the illusion of separation from God; a journey whose destination is heaven or peace (*Jerusalem, city of Peace*). It entails passing through and dealing with confusions of the intellect and misguided perceptions (*Samaria*) and making an examination of life activities (*Galilee*). This will reveal our *Sin*; where we need a change of mind and heart or... a good clear out. We come to realise that our senses have a dual role; in service of the world but also of the spirit. Ideally, they should be balanced, flowing in both directions. All too often they are stuck in service of the world only. We become stagnant, inert, sinful or leprous (*ten lepers represent the dual nature of the five senses blocked and inert*).

With spiritual practice (*the journey to Jerusalem*) we not only become aware of this blockage but also our inability to deal with it. Then it is we cry out to Jesus for love, care, forgiveness and healing. In spirit He teaches us how to integrate our mortal and immortal nature: how to connect the material with the spiritual; and understand how the world reflects the spiritual from which it originally emerged (*show to the priests*). Our dual functioning senses resolve into *one leading sense*; the sense of *feeling*. It leads to *recognition*. Gratitude floods the heart (*the leper who gives thanks*), as we drop all false images in remembrance of who we truly are... His Image becoming His Likeness.

There is a deep canker and spiritual leprosy in the world today; you don't have to be a *conspiracy theorist* to know it. An external cure for the world begins with an internal cure in your heart and mine as we journey towards and reflect the spiritual Peace of Jerusalem.



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OUR CHURCHES

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Chapel of the Good Shepherd
Barford Lane, Downton SP5 3QA
NEW TO THE PARISH?

We wish you a very warm welcome.

Please register online

[Click Here](#)

IMPORTANT

Mass time changes begin THIS weekend. See inside for details

CHANGES TO SATURDAY VIGIL & WEEKDAY MASSES EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

The Sunday (Saturday pm) Vigil Mass Schedule is now:

5pm	St Gregory & the English Martyrs
6pm	Christ the King, Amesbury
7pm	St George, Warminster

The weekday Mass schedule from **NOW** onwards will be:

Mon	10am St George (Warminster)	6pm St Osmund (Ordinariate)	
Tues	9.30am All Saints (Wardour)	10am St Osmund (Salisbury)	6pm Christ the King (Amesbury)
Wed	10am St Gregory	6pm Sacred Heart (Tisbury)	
Thurs	10am St Osmund	7pm St George (Warminster)	
Fri	10am Christ the King (Amesbury)	6pm St Osmund	
Sat	10am St Osmund		

For the Sick of the Parish – Saturday 18 October at St Osmund

Next Saturday there will be Confessions and Anointing from 9am to 12 noon, Mass at 10am with Adoration following Mass. Need help with transport? Contact the Parish Office, we will do our very best to help.

Parish Devotions – October & November

The Rosary will be prayed before Mass at 9.30am in St Osmund's Church every Thursday during October.

The Rosary will be prayed at 10.00am in St Gregory's Church, on Fridays in October from 17 October onwards, followed by refreshments in the hall.

From 7 November onwards, the Rosary will be prayed in St Gregory at 10am followed by a Service of the Word, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction, followed by refreshments.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 19 OCTOBER

World Mission Sunday is our chance to show love and solidarity to our brothers and sisters overseas. In offering our prayers, we join with missionaries everywhere in communion and compassion to support them in spreading the Good News, and by giving a donation we respond to Christ's call to feed the hungry and clothe the naked. For more information, please [click here](#) or click on the image in the 'Top News' box. There will be a retiring collection next weekend. Special envelopes are available in our churches to take away today for those who are able to 'Gift Aid' their donation next weekend. Many thanks

LIVESTREAM UPDATE

The livestream at St Gregory's is now back up and running with the new camera installed. Surge protection has also been installed at St Gregory to avoid the possibility that a power surge may damage the new camera.

If you would like to contribute towards the ongoing costs of our livestream provision, this is possible via the donation points in the church porches, via our website, by contacting the parish office or by scanning the QR code shown here and selecting 'Livestream Costs'. Thank you for your generosity, patience and understanding whilst we have been sorting this out.



FAMILY OF FAITH 2026

Family of Faith is open to children in Year 2-5. The next session is this Sunday 12 October, gathering at St Gregory's at 9am for 9.15am, then then moving into the 11am Mass. For more information click [here](#).

YOUTH TRIP TO QUARR ABBEY

The plan is: we'll take the boat from Portsmouth, have Mass at Quarr Abbey, go to Ryde for a bit of time on the beach (if not raining! ☀), then meet some of the sisters at St Cecilia's convent. We'll finish the day with fish n chips in Ryde, before getting the boat home. To cover the petrol & ferry, we're asking for £25 each (or £15 each for siblings from the same family) - but please get in touch if you want to come but money is an issue. It will be a full day, leaving around 9am, and back around 8pm. Please email Fr Joseph if you're interested! joseph.meigh@cliftondiocese.com

CONFIRMATION 2026

The first session took place last Wednesday led by Fr Joseph, and the topic was 'Is God Credible?'. The next mandatory session is on the 12 November 6.30pm at the Parish Centre. To sign up or find out more, click on the button 'Confirmation' on our homepage or [click here](#). Candidates are encouraged to join with Youth Group in the intervening weeks.

Youth Group – For those in Years 8 to 11 who'd like to meet up, relax, play games, chat about faith, ask questions, and pray. Every Wednesday, 6.30 to 8pm (during term time) in the Parish Centre. For more, click on 'Youth Group' button on our homepage or [click here](#)

SHARING OUR FAITH

Journey in Faith – For adults who are not confirmed Catholics and for those who are returning to the faith of their childhood. The new programme is underway, the next session is on Sunday 19 October 10.30am at the Parish Centre. If you are interested in joining do contact Dave Blake at Salisbury.journeyinfaith@cliftondiocese.com. For more including the timetable click on the '[Journey in Faith](#)' button on our home page or [click here](#).

Congratulations and welcome to John Stephen McDonagh who will receive the sacrament of Baptism this Saturday 11 October at St Osmund. Please keep John, his parents and godparents in your prayers.

Baptism Preparation – the second of the three sessions is this Sunday 12 October at St Osmund after the 9am Mass. The next course starts Sunday 2 November at St Gregory after the 11am Mass. Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to join. To request Baptism for your child, please click the 'Registration' button on our homepage or [click here](#).

Parish Quiz night next Saturday 18 October 7pm St Gregory's Hall. Please join us for a fun evening straight after Mass in St Gregory's Hall. Teams up to 8 (£5 per table) or £1 for individuals who we will place in ad hoc teams on the night (fellow parishioners, friends or family, everyone is welcome). Bring your own drinks and nibbles on the night. There are sign up sheets in the porches of both churches.

Notable Parsons: 43 years of "gratuitous" organ playing - Our archivist has added another short post to our parish history blog, the St Osmund's Archive, this time highlighting one of the normally unsung heroes of parish life: the organist. [Click here](#) or on '[History](#)' on the main menu of our website.

Rosary in Salisbury Cathedral - Friday 17 October. The Rosary is prayed by Catholics and Anglicans in Salisbury Cathedral on the third Friday of each month at 12 o'clock. The next meeting will be on Friday 17 October. If you would like to join us we meet in the cathedral Refectory 1130-1150 before going into the Cathedral.

Hope & Friendship Group is for anyone experiencing grief or loss, even from a while ago, meets again Monday 13 October 10.45 - Midday in the Parish Centre. Any questions? Call Deacon John Detain 01722 415588.

My Generation will be meeting next on Wednesday 15 October 2025 for a Beetle Drive at 2.00pm in St Gregory's Church Hall. For further information please contact Chris on 01722 321109.

LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year C-1 Ordinary Time Week 28 & Psalter 4

Saturday 11 October

10:00 St Osmund MASS Thanksgiving – Rani Maria Jose

First Mass of Sunday – Please note the new time

17:00 St Gregory MASS David Palmer RIP

18:00 St Osmund Polish MASS

SUNDAY 12 OCTOBER

09:00 St Osmund MASS Derek Boston RIP

11:00 St Gregory MASS In Thanksgiving

12:30 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS – People of the Parish

18:00 St Osmund MASS Donal John Ellis RIP

Monday 13 October

18:00 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS Frank Farley RIP

Tuesday 14 October

10:00 St Osmund MASS Rani Jose Vazhappilly RIP

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

11.30 St Gregory Funeral Service Helen Ahern RIP

18:00 St Osmund Benediction

Wednesday 15 October Saint Teresa of Jesus

10:00 St Gregory MASS Mary Robson RIP

THURSDAY 16 OCTOBER ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEDICATION OF PARISH CHURCHES

09:30 St Osmund Rosary

10:00 St Osmund MASS Jack Cox RIP

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:00 St Osmund Benediction

Friday 17 October Saint Ignatius of Antioch

10:00 St Gregory Rosary

18:00 St Osmund MASS Private Intention

SATURDAY 18 OCTOBER SAINT LUKE, EVANGELIST

For the Sick of the Parish at St Osmund

09:00 – 12:00 Confessions & Anointing with Adoration after Mass

10:00 St Osmund MASS The Sick of the Parish

First Mass of Sunday –

17:00 St Gregory MASS Lisa & Phillip Dunne RIP

RECONCILIATION

St Gregory: Saturdays 4.30pm until Mass

St Osmund: Saturdays after the 10am Mass until 12 noon
and by appointment

PRAYER & SCRIPTURE

PAPAL PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

For collaboration between different religious traditions

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity. [Click here.](#)

CLIFTON DIOCESE - We pray this week for the Parishes of St Teresa of the Child Jesus (Filton) St Vincent de Paul (Southmead, Bristol).

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Peter Blacklock, Jack Cox, Sr Patricia (Paddy) O'Connell, Alfred (Roger) Palliser, Helen Ahern, Stephen Castle and Sally Bradley who died recently, and all those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

We also pray for all those in our parish currently facing ill-health that they will be granted comfort, healing and strength.

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE:

Psalm Response

The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you..

Alleluia.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS For baptisms please register your application [click here](#). For more information contact Deacon John Proctor or Deacon Stephen Godwin.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION If you have a child who is coming to Mass regularly, for whom preparation for First Communion may be appropriate, please use our online form to register your interest in our Family of Faith programme. [Click here](#)

CONFIRMATION 2026 For children who are year 9 or above please visit our Confirmation page for information and how to sign up. [Click here.](#)

MARRIAGES - Please speak to a priest for guidance.

FUNERALS Do your family know your wishes with regards to your funeral? 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 Désirée for more details: office@salisbury Catholics.org