

SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

HOLY REDEEMER + ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND

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ORDINARY TIME WEEK 2(B)

From Father Anthony...

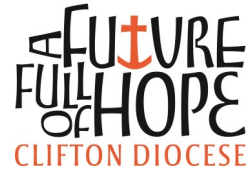
Night. Moonlight filtered through the blinds casting diagonals over the floor. Icy air floated through the open window. It brushed my forehead and drifted up my nose. I lay snug under the duvet feeling comfortable, cosy and relaxed. I enjoyed the air. I listened to the quiet; a jet, high overhead, occasional traffic, rustles in the garden. Then, a car alarm went off, riding the air up and down. Irritation gave way to panic... my car! I was up, dressing gown on, down the stairs and out the front door. I key fobbed the car... silently apologising to the neighbours. I'm sure I was popular! The street looked hard and cold, blocks of shadows washed by silvery light. Stars twinkled in a dark clear sky and... too quick to follow, a shooting star!

Most of us have a place in our mind where we habitually live when we're not thinking about other things. More money, bigger house, better job, becoming a celebrity, nursing a grudge, feeling picked on. Regardless of the effect, we become comfortable with it; like a duvet it keeps us snug against a perceived cold world; it can also become a trap.

As we become aware of 'where we live' we might sense that, 'there might be a better way'. Awakening and aware, our higher mind (*John*) looks in a new direction (*stares*). We feel the Lamb (*Christ*) within; we sense a better way. We focus on it (*follow*). Freed from the 'habitual mind' we become unsure of ourselves (*what do you want*). Attracted by this 'better way' we want to know more (*where do you live*). The answer we hear is 'come and see' (*be you coming and be you perceiving; i.e. come out of your mental world and look deeply into the mind of Christ*).

To follow Christ within; to recognise and leave our habitual mental world requires strong desire and intention to do so (*Andrew*). Andrew brings forth his brother Simon (*the ability to hear and discern what is not of God*). This develops faith through experience (*Peter*). It does not happen overnight (*they stayed with him until the tenth hour*). Ten is the Hebrew letter *yod*; it means a hand, a creative force; undifferentiated consciousness: the realm of *causes*, not *effects*. Here we are one with God. *It is a lifetime's work*. It is where Christ lives and where we must live also.

THANK YOU On behalf of Fr Jonathan and myself may we thank you for all the cards, presents and generosity over Christmas. We wish you every blessing for the New Year.



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St Osmund

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St Gregory & the English Martyrs

St Gregory's Ave SP2 7JP

Most Holy Redeemer

Fotherby Crescent SP1 3EG

Chapel of the Good Shepherd

Barford Lane, Downton SP5 3QA

Chapel of the Holy Family

Southampton Rd, Whaddon SP5 3EB

NEW TO THE PARISH?

We wish you a very warm welcome.

Pop into the Newman Room and say

hello! Please register online at:

<https://salisburycatholics.org>

click "Registration/update"

REGISTERED PARISHIONERS

TO DATE : 2706

NATIONAL LOCKDOWN JANUARY 2021

Under the latest guidance from the Government and endorsed by our Bishops' Conference, all churches in England can continue to celebrate Mass with a congregation. However, given the current situation and the increased transmissibility of the new strain of this virus, Father Anthony wishes to **actively** discourage anyone who is vulnerable from attending Mass in person. For the latest information and Government guidance click on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

Due to the current situation the weekday Masses at Holy Redeemer Wednesday 12:00 and St Gregory Friday 10:00 have been cancelled for the foreseeable future.

BOOKING TO ATTEND MASS IN PERSON

If you wish to attend Mass in person, please book by emailing: booking@salisburycatholics.org (it is very helpful to us if you use this email **exclusively** for Mass booking) or if you are unable to email please call 01722 562703 between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday. The Mass schedule for the coming week is on the final page of this newsletter as normal or can be found on our website: click the 'Mass Times' button on our homepage.

MASS ONLINE

For those attending Mass online we have a very short video and six tips on how you can enhance your participation in the Mass. Just click on the 'Mass Online' button on the homepage or [click here](#).

COVID TESTING AT ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL St Joseph's Catholic School are looking for temporary assistance to deliver the government's programme of COVID testing in schools. **Applicants must be in good health and not classified in any of the current high-risk groups ie: must not have a long term health condition, must not be pregnant, must not have a weakened immune system.** Please see the school website for more details <http://www.sjcs.org.uk/> or telephone 01722 335380

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Baptism preparation courses are being run via Zoom. You are invited to participate in a preparation course prior to the baptism of your child. The next course on Zoom will be at 19:00 on 28 January, 4 & 11 February. To join the course or for more information, please contact Deacon John Proctor on 07802 631968 or email john@alabare.org

APPEAL FOR OUR SCHOOLS

We will be launching an appeal in the coming days for unused pcs/ipads/tablets and funds to purchase these items, to enable children to learn from home. Details will appear here next week and on our website.

PARISH CANTOR TRAINING for OUR PARISHES on ZOOM

The role of Cantor is a liturgical ministry; we are looking to widen our pool of singers, and to train them adequately for the task. Anyone under 18 years may join the training with an accompanying adult present at the sessions. We're offering two levels - Entry Level for completely new singers (including non music-readers) and Refresher Level for extant cantors/musically-trained new singers.

Entry Level will be open to anyone interested and will take place over three sessions which will be held at **7.30pm on Thursdays 7, 14 & 21 January**.

For Refresher Level; currently-singing Cantors will be directly invited by email and any other established musicians who are interested to join, please contact Rosemary Field on rosemaryfield@rmfield.co.uk initially. Please mention this to any parish singers/musicians that you know. These sessions are taking place on Zoom - If you haven't used Zoom before but would like to join, don't be put off - we can help you. There are no costs involved for participants.

SCORE collection for overseas projects takes place on this weekend, 16 & 17 January. Please put your pink envelope into the main collection - or use a clearly marked plain envelope. Thank you.



SAINT WULFSTAN (WULSTAN), BISHOP - 19 JANUARY

St Wulfstan of Worcester, 'sole survivor of the old Fathers of the English people'. Famous for being one of the few high-ranking English churchmen to keep his position after the Norman Conquest. When Wulfstan died in 1095 he was the only English-born bishop left in England, and the stories told about him claim he was respected by Normans and the English alike, not just for his personal holiness but, in a way, as a relic of the Anglo-Saxon church, which was so comprehensively taken over by Norman prelates after the Conquest. For more, click on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

SAINT AGNES, VIRGIN, MARTYR - 21 JANUARY

On 21 January the Catholic Church honours the virgin and martyr St. Agnes, who suffered death for her consecration to Christ. Although the details of Agnes' life are mostly unknown, the story of her martyrdom has been passed on with reverence since the fourth century. On the feast day of the young martyr – whose name means "lamb" in Latin – the Pope traditionally blesses lambs, whose wool will be used to make the white pallium worn by archbishops. For what is known of Saint Agnes, click on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

JOURNEYING WITH JONAH talks by Fr Denis McBride. The prophet Jonah is a sympathetic partner, albeit a curious one, to help us review our lives. Although a believer in God, Jonah struggles to come to terms with the awful strangeness of God's choices, particularly God's mercy; he grapples to find his true self and purpose in life; he tries to flee from the presence of God; he is angry when he finds that God is not angry but all-merciful. We have the second in the series of talks by Fr Denis just click on the button 'Jonah' on our homepage or [click here](#)

DIVINITAS: THE ART OF FAITH. Fr Marcus Holden and Art Historian Teresa Lane probe the Mysteries of Faith. This week we introduce: Part 7 'The Mystery of the Trinity'. To view this reflection please click on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

THE GOD WHO SPEAKS There is another more excellent reflection on video by Fr Jim Golka on '2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time' celebrated this weekend. The reflection is just 3 minutes. To view click on 'The God Who Speaks' button on our homepage or [click here](#)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY We have children's liturgy of the word for this weekend; Jesus is Calling! '2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time'. To view click on 'Church TV' then select 'Children's Liturgy' or [click here](#)

MUSIC IN ISOLATION We have added 'Be Thou My Vision' by Robin Marks, an awesome Irish 8th century hymn. Please click on the 'Music in Isolation' button on our homepage or [click here](#)

CREDO Fr Andrew Eburne continues his journey through the articles of the Creed. We have the twelfth podcast in this series: 'The Ascension'. What is the significance of the Ascension of Jesus Christ for us? And what exactly does Jesus leave behind Him, when He ascends? For this, and the previous eleven, click on the button on our homepage or [click here](#).

SUNDAY HOMILY We have the latest podcast from Bishop Robert Barron for this Sunday (Ordinary Time Week 2) on our website. With the whole Church around the world, we return to Ordinary Time. This week, we have a wonderful Old Testament reading from the first book of Samuel having to do with the call of the prophet Samuel, and Eli his mentor helping him discern the voice of God. We know that story as a charming, even sentimental story - and it is that - but it's much more than that. To see it, we have to get a wider perspective. Click on the 'Sunday Homily' button on our homepage or [click here](#)

LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year B-1 Ordinary Time Week 2 and Psalter 2

Please book if you would like to attend Mass in person.

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Saturday 16 January

10:00 St Osmund MASS 10th Anniversary of the creation of the Ordinariate
12:30 St Osmund Baptism: Oscar Lukowski

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

SUNDAY 17 January

09:00 St Gregory MASS Joseph and Rosalie Cockle RIP
09:00 St Osmund MASS Cowan Family: Jean-Pierre & Linda
11:00 St Osmund MASS Deceased of the Parish over the past year
12:15 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS
18:00 St Osmund MASS Josephine Kohlhofer RIP

Monday 18 January

10:00 St Osmund MASS Claire Treneman RIP

Tuesday 19 January Saint Wulstan, Bishop

10:00 St Osmund MASS Thomas Cherian RIP
12:00 St Osmund Requiem Mass Anne Watson RIP
13:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
18:40 Benediction

Wednesday 20 January

10:00 St Osmund MASS Peter Wilson RIP
12:00 Holy Redeemer MASS CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE
19:00 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS Peggy Staley RIP

Thursday 21 January Saint Agnes, Virgin, Martyr

10:00 St Osmund MASS Michael, Susan & Peter Leyden RIP
All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
18:40 St Osmund Benediction
18:30 Downton MASS

Friday 22 January

10:00 St Gregory MASS CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE
19:00 St Osmund MASS The Moloney Family

Saturday 23 January

10:00 St Osmund MASS Norah O'Reilly RIP

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS Rita Tora RIP

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St Gregory Fridays 09:30 until Mass
St Osmund Saturdays 10:30 to 11:30
Holy Redeemer Saturdays 17:30 until Mass

PRAYER & SCRIPTURE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR JANUARY

Evangelisation: Human Fraternity

That the Lord will give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

[Click here](#)

CLIFTON DIOCESE

We pray this week for the parish of St Mary, Bath and Good Shepherd, Batheaston.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please also remember all those who have died: Barbara Sim, Margot Wilson, Anne Watson, Anthea Piggins, Carol-Ann Coyle, Peter Rockett, Imogen Cardew, Yvonne Fox and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

Samuel 3:3-10. 19

Psalm 39

Here I am, Lord!

I come to do your will.

1 Corinthians 6:13-15. 17-20

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:
you have the message of eternal life.**

Alleluia!

John 1:35-42

SACRAMENTS

MARRIAGES Please speak to the priest for guidance.

FUNERALS Please speak to the priest for guidance.

BAPTISMS Can now take place in accordance with government guidelines and preparation courses are taking place on Zoom. Please contact Deacon John Proctor on 07802 631968 or email john@alabare.org

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2021

We will be announcing plans for preparations for these Sacraments as soon as we can. Watch this space.