

# SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

HOLY REDEEMER + ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND

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## ORDINARY TIME WEEK 22 (B)

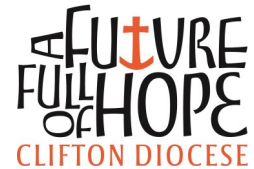
### From Father Anthony...

Fine rain hung like mist as I made my way along St John's and up Catherine Street. A car hooted, I waved. As always, the market was a delightful mix of colours and spicy aromas. Stalls overflowed, people stood and chatted, garments fluttered in the stirring breeze. I had a laugh with the baker, discussed cricket over the cheese and ham and queued for salad and vegetables. Amid calls for 'two a pound', a voice rasped to someone, 'I dunno mate, we've always done it that way'.

Many turned away from Jesus because they could not accept His teaching. Spiritually, turning away can be the beginnings of interior growth. We make up our own mind (*can't say yes until you can say no!*). We no longer accept things on the say so of others. We no longer pay lip service. This encounter with Christ may be negative but it is *real* rather than *illusory*. To the extent that we reject Christ's spiritual teaching we encounter our own worldly state of being and thinking: and this is where the real work is done.

The Gospel describes this worldly, secular state of being and thinking... how we, '*put aside the commandments of God and cling to human traditions.*' How we pay lip service to the things of Spirit (*God*) but prioritise our secular world first. How we mistake inner being as a function of the outer world, taking refuge in traditions, repetitive behaviour, social customs and so on. Our spiritual nature might awaken with the profound realisation that living this way will never satisfy.

In terms of the world the secular is necessary (*give unto Caesar...*). We are not asked to give it up but to become *aware* of it; to see it for what it really is. In awareness we come to 'see' how we have become bound by traditions, social customs and personal image making; how, '*we've always done it that way.*' It is the seeing that is important. It creates a space where we can expand beyond the confines of worldly limitation and encounter the spiritual. We begin to understand the meaning and truth of Christ's teaching; *my words are spirit and they are life.* Our inner being will become more like His. As the world is actually a function of inner being: and, to the extent that inner being becomes Christ like... we change the face of the world.



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### OUR CHURCHES

**St Osmund**  
95 Exeter Street SP1 2SF

**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.  
Please register online at:  
<https://salisburycatholics.org>  
click "Registration/update"

**REGISTERED PARISHIONERS  
TO DATE : 2811**

## SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT - 3 SEPTEMBER

Gregory was content to be a monk, but he willingly served the Church in other ways when asked. He sacrificed his own preferences in many ways, especially when he was called to be Bishop of Rome. Once he was called to public service, Gregory gave his considerable energies completely to this work. Gregory's description of bishops as physicians fits in well with Pope Francis' description of the Church as a "field hospital." For the story of Saint Gregory please click on the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

### **An invitation to the Nicodemus Group**

There is an open invitation to anyone who wishes to come together over a simple meal where we can share our prayers and friendship. The group is a safe space in which we can encounter Jesus by meeting him in one another. This year, we will be using the Gospel of Mark to accompany Jesus from his birth to his ministry in Galilee. Whether you are new to the Church, grown up as a Catholic or are new to Christianity, you have a place at the table. We will be putting on three modules of six weekly sessions on Wednesdays at 19:00. The first introductory session is on 13th October and will take place in St Osmund's Parish Rooms. The first module will start on 3rd November. You can contact us @ [nicodemus@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:nicodemus@salisburycatholics.org) with questions or let us know that you will attend on the 13th October.

### **Diocesan Catechists' Day**

On Saturday 25 September the Diocese are looking to draw together catechists as well as those involved in parish formation and evangelisation, for an opportunity for conversation and formation, focusing on family catechesis. Numbers will be limited for the day so please register through [adult.education@clifftondiocese.com](mailto:adult.education@clifftondiocese.com). Full details of the day can be found by clicking the image in the 'Top News' box or [click here](#).

### **The Gospel according to John**

We have available on our website a narrated audio of each of the first 18 chapters. To listen just click on the 'Gospel of John' button on our homepage or [click here](#). More to follow.

**The God Who Speaks.** This week's reflection is by Bishop Jim Golka, recorded three years ago but reflects this Sunday's readings. He To watch & listen [click here](#) or click on 'The God Who Speaks' button on our homepage.

**Sunday Homily by Bishop Robert Barron.** "Friends, the more we revere something, the more we surround it with laws. The most important thing in our lives is to be in harmony with God, and so we follow his divine law. We must, with prudence and wisdom, distinguish between the commandments of God that structure us, and fussy human traditions that distract from our relationship with him.." To listen, click on the 'Sunday Homily' button on our homepage or [click here](#).

**Children's Liturgy** - from Catholic Kids Media we have: Should we follow rules? A fun Catholic reflection for kids based on the readings for 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle B and also from Redemptorist Publications there will be a video of the week's Gospel reading, a reflection and a final prayer (from Friday evening onwards) To view, click on 'Church TV' then select 'Children's Liturgy' or [click here](#).

**Season of Creation - Walk on 19 September** - Following the Creation narrative from the Book of Genesis, you are invited to join other local Christians on a walk from Salisbury Cathedral to St George's Church in Harnham, calling at seven 'Stations' - each Station marking one of the seven days of Creation. The walk takes place on 19 September and starts from Mompesson House in the Cathedral Close at 15:00. For more information click on the image in the 'Top News' box, [click here](#), or contact Graham on 01980 590465 or 07484 736398.

**Salisbury Food Bank.** During September Holy Redeemer are collecting Long Life Fruit Juice for the Food Bank. Please place contributions in the box. Thank you.

**MEETINGS ON ZOOM** Please use the contacts below if you would like to join (all are welcome).

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|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Tuesdays at 19:30   | Weekly Alabaré Christian Community | Deacon John Proctor <a href="mailto:john@alabare.org">john@alabare.org</a>       |
| Wednesdays at 14:30 | Rosary Group (not Weds 1st Sept)   | Josephine on 01722 328410  |
| Thursdays at 18:30  | Downton Service of the Word        | <a href="mailto:michael.rennie@velaplan.co.uk">michael.rennie@velaplan.co.uk</a> |

## PARISH MISSION: WHAT MATTERS NOW?

A POST-PANDEMIC GATHERING OF PILGRIMS.

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|-------------------|--|-------|---|
| Monday 30 August  | St Gregory's                             | 19:00 | A Matter of Time                          |
| Tuesday 31 August | St Osmund's                              | 19:00 | A Matter of Faith                         |
| Wednesday 1 Sept  | St Gregory's                             | 19:00 | A Matter of Opinion?                      |
| Thursday 2 Sept   | St Osmund's                              | 19:00 | Matters of the Heart                      |
| Friday 3 Sept     | St Gregory's                             | 19:00 | Mission Mass for feast of Pope St Gregory |
| Saturday 4 Sept   | Lunch at St Gregory's Hall 12:00 - 14:00 |       |   |

Each evening session will last a little over an hour, and each will be different, but connected by the theme of Our Lord talking to the two disciples on the road to Emmaus, when he asked them "what matters are you discussing as you walk along?"

### FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

#### **Gift Aid Envelopes - St Osmund's**

David Alappat (who has been volunteering in the office) has been making calls to parishioners this week to ascertain whether those who (during the pandemic) have converted to direct giving via their bank still wish to receive offertory giving envelopes. Giving directly is by far the easiest and most efficient way for us and also removes the need for all the physical handling involved. Thank you very much for giving in this way. For those who still prefer to use offertory envelopes - please collect them from the church when you come to Mass on Sundays or call into the office Mon-Fri 9-5pm to collect. Many thanks.

#### **Administration - Volunteering Opportunity in the Parish Office**

Having David in the office over the summer has been of enormous help to us and he will be sorely missed as he returns to school. We wish him well for the year ahead. As we emerge from the pandemic, we expect and hope for an increase in Parish activities once again and really need help in the parish office. If you have a few hours to spare each week, we need someone who is confident and friendly on the telephone, a self-starter with good computer skills who is comfortable with basic Microsoft products. Doesn't sound too terrifying? Great! Please get in touch with Caroline Williams to discuss further [caroline.williams@cliffondiocese.com](mailto:caroline.williams@cliffondiocese.com) or ring 01722 562703. We can be flexible with times and days as required and will help and train where necessary.

#### **MISSIO / Red Box** - Co-ordination of the Parish Missio scheme is beginning again.

For our current Red Box holders we intend to post through your letter box a MISSIO envelope to avoid face-to-face contact. This will give you the option of emptying your Red Box into it (later this year) for collection. Our collectors are currently not advised to enter your home, but can meet you on the doorstep. Alternatively as some of us are carrying less and less cash you may wish to donate by Bank transfer, details are below.

**Account Name:** Missio      **Sort Code:** 16-00-16      **Account Number:** 10824230

**Reference:** Please include your postcode so that your donation can be attributed to our parishes.

Please contact Tony in the parish office if you have any questions on 01722 562703

#### **Wedding and Reception of Emmanuel Ifejiofor & Esther Nwachukwu**

Congratulations to Emmanuel and Esther who were married in St Osmund's on Wednesday 25th August. A further congratulations to Esther who was received into the Catholic Church during Mass the previous day. We pray for Esther & Emmanuel may their home be filled with good health, happiness, & love. There are images of the wedding on our Photo Gallery which can also be found by [clicking here](#).

## BAPTISM

The next preparation course for Holy Redeemer and St Osmund begins this week on Thursday 2nd, 9th, and 23rd September at 19:30 in the Parish Rooms at St Osmund's. Each evening will last less than an hour and we would ask both parents to attend wherever possible. You can bring young babies with you if that helps. Whilst there is no parking on-site, there is plenty of on-road parking in the area around the church which is free after 6pm. If you have not already organised the date of your child's baptism you can do so now. We would remind you that if you have family and friends who cannot attend the baptism in person, they can join via the livestream in St Osmund's Church on Church TV. If the baptism takes place outside of Mass and you wish it to be recorded, please let us know in advance. Please contact Deacon John Proctor on 07802 631968 or email: [john.proctor@clifftondiocese.com](mailto:john.proctor@clifftondiocese.com). For baptism preparation at St Gregory's, please contact Deacon Steve Godwin by email [stephen.godwin@clifftondiocese.com](mailto:stephen.godwin@clifftondiocese.com)

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The programme for 2021 is underway. The next meeting will be at Holy Redeemer on 11 September at 14:00. All the details of the programme can be found by clicking on the 'First Holy Communion 2021' button on our Home page or [click here](#). This programme (which is now full) will be completed by the end of October with a plan for First Communion celebrations in November.

If you have a **child that is currently in Year 3 or above at school whom you would like to make their First Communion during 2022**, please complete the online First Holy Communion Application Form at: <https://p1.pamis.co.uk/salisbury/onlined01cab> or by clicking the 'Registration' button on our Homepage. If you have any questions about First Holy Communion, please email: [fhc@salisburycatholics.org](mailto:fhc@salisburycatholics.org)

## CONTACTLESS PAYMENTS AT ST OSMUND'S AND DONATE WEBPAGE

The **contactless card reader** for donations is now operational in the porch at St Osmund. The card reader has been set up to accept donations for: St Osmund's Offertory, SCORE and St Osmund's Building Fund.

The **'Donate' page on our website** has the same options plus two additional ones: Holy Redeemer Account and St Gregory Account for parishioners of those parishes.

**Gift Aid** - The new card machine at St Osmund and the website page will have the ability to add Gift Aid to your donation (if you are an eligible taxpayer and wish to do so). It is recommended however that if you wish to add Gift Aid you make your initial donation via the 'Donate' webpage first. Thereafter, once your first donation is made and your payment card is registered, the card reader in the porch and the 'Donate' webpage will recognise it the next time you make a donation. There is a button on our homepage for 'Donate' and also on the main menu.

**Previously using Paypal?** If you had set up scheduled payments from your Paypal account during the Pandemic, please now cancel these as we will no longer be using Paypal. Please use the new system outlined above.

**Find all this confusing?** We're here to help. Please don't hesitate to contact the parish office if you would like some assistance navigating the new systems.

# LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year B-1 Week 22, Psalter 2

## Saturday 28 August

10:00 St Osmund MASS The People of Afghanistan

## First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS For the Intentions of the Donor

## SUNDAY 29 August

09:00 St Gregory MASS Intentions of Kevin Kelly

09:00 St Osmund MASS Pete Saville RIP

11:00 St Osmund MASS C J Johnikutty RIP

12:15 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

18:00 St Osmund MASS Doris Phelan RIP

## Monday 30 August

10:00 St Osmund MASS Intention for Bee Fleming

## Tuesday 31 August

10:00 St Osmund MASS Jovit Merin Vazhappily in thanksgiving

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:40 St Osmund Benediction

## Wednesday 1 September

10:00 St Osmund MASS Gilbert Miller RIP

**Ordinariate MASS is cancelled this week.**

## Thursday 2 September

10:00 St Osmund MASS For the Poor Souls from Purgatory

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:40 St Osmund Benediction

## Friday 3 September SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT

**19:00 St Gregory Parish Mission MASS**

19:00 St Osmund MASS Jack Saving RIP

## Saturday 4 September

10:00 St Osmund MASS Josephine Kohlhofer RIP

## First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Gregory On request Contact priests

St Osmund Saturdays 10:30 to 11:00

Holy Redeemer Saturdays 17:30 until Mass

# PRAYER & SCRIPTURE

## POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR AUGUST

### Evangelisation: The Church

For the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel. [Click here](#)

## CLIFTON DIOCESE

We pray this week for St Benet (Kemerton), St Joseph (Tewkesbury), St Nicholas (Winchcombe with Bishops' Cleeve).

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

We remember in our prayers those who have died: Margaret (Peggy) Lever and John Paul Pearson and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Advance Notice - The Requiem Mass for Peggy Lever will be at St Osmund on 23 September at 13:00. All welcome.

## SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

*Deuteronomy 4:1-2. 6-8*

*Ps 14*

**The just will live in the presence of the Lord.**

*James 1:17-18. 21-22. 27*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life.**

**Alleluia!**

*Mark 7:1-8. 14-15. 21-23*

## SACRAMENTS

**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@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:caroline.williams@cliftondiocese.com)

**BAPTISMS** For our next parents' preparation course, please contact Deacon John Proctor by email [john.proctor@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:john.proctor@cliftondiocese.com) or on 07802 631968 to register for the next course.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** Our current programme is full but if you have a child in Year 3 or above, please use our online form to apply to join our next preparation programme which will begin in 2022 [Click here](#)

**CONFIRMATION** If you have a child in Year 9 or above, please use our online form to apply to join our next preparation programme [Click here](#)