

SALISBURY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

HOLY REDEEMER + ST GREGORY + ST OSMUND

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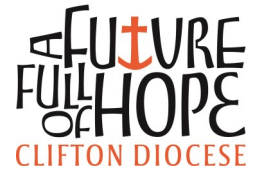
From Father Anthony

I woke early, made some tea and went outside. It was dark, the air clear and silent. Above, lit by a smile from the moon, stars twinkled in velvety blackness. Wisps of cloud moved like ghosts across the vast expanse. It felt fresh and pure. Later, whilst hosing down the mess caused by Harry the Pigeon and friends – who continue their ‘illegal occupancy’ of the church tower - and with dark clouds hurling down buckets of rain, I found it hard to believe that beyond it all was the pure scene of earlier. Same world; two aspects of it. The Gunslinger perched smugly with a look that suggested, ‘at last he’s found his true vocation’... Mrs Cat had long gone!

The Greek name Zacchaeus, from the Hebrew *Zakkay*, זָכַי means ‘pure’, ‘innocent’, ‘purified’. Spiritually Zacchaeus can stand for aspects of you and me. As created by God we are pure and spotless, His pride and joy. What we have made of ourselves may have tarnished that purity. In the case of Zacchaeus his beautiful, natural stature had become small and diminished through his sense of lack and consequential greed and avarice. Thinking only of himself he had trampled over others. Even the vantage point he used to gain sight of Jesus is a tree that bears bitter fruit! Yet the impulse to see Jesus (*be with God*) was still with him. Essentially, beyond the mess he had made of his life, he was still the pure, marvellous creature created by God. His basic form was undiminished; only the content needed rearranging and transforming.

Lovingly Jesus called him down from the height of his error and selfishness... so that they could reside together (*hurry down I must stay with you today*). These words are addressed to you and me too! The effect was massively transformative for Zacchaeus. His sense of lack transformed into a sense of plenty as he promised to share with those he has trampled on and began to fulfil the spiritual law of *love your neighbour as yourself*.

Together, let’s take heart. Whatever we have made of our lives God is not there with a wagging finger but with love and understanding. If we really want Him, He will live with us and occupy, with us, the life we are leading. This relationship will bring internal security, comfort, balance and poise and our original innocence will shine through.



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OUR CHURCHES

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

CHRISTMAS OUTREACH

Mass Time Cards to our Parishioners - Thank you to all those who recently committed to visiting our existing Parishioners this Christmas. We intend to have your packs with cards and notebooks ready by early December.

Adopt a Street - In addition to visiting our parishioners we will once again be asking EVERYONE to join in posting an 'invitation' card to our churches this Christmas through letterboxes all over our city. We will soon be emailing previous volunteers a reminder of the streets where they posted at Easter with the plea to go again this Christmas.

If you have never joined in before but would like to help out, we would also love to hear from you.

For all those volunteers who have signed up for **both** 'Mass Time Cards/Visits to our Parishioners' and 'Adopt a Street' we will provide reminders of both by email. We will ask that preference be given to 'Mass Time Cards' and to let us know what, if any, of the 'Adopt-a-Street' list cannot be managed. Emails will soon follow! Many thanks to everyone involved.

Blessing of Graves on 'All Souls' Day 2 November The graves of your loved ones in the London Rd and Devizes Rd cemeteries can be blessed on this day. Meet at 3pm by the central Cross in the London Rd Cemetery and just inside the gate at Devizes Rd Cemetery also at 3pm. Masses on that day will be at 10am at Holy Redeemer and 12.30pm & 6pm (Ordinariate) at St Osmund.

November: Prayers for the Dead During November we pray especially for the Holy Souls. There are special 'Prayer Request' envelopes in the church porch. Place the names of your departed loved ones in one of these envelopes and place it in the box or basket in front of the altar in each of our churches. If you are unable to come to church but would like a name/s placed, please call 01722 562703 or email office@salisburycatholics.org and we can do it for you. All Friday evening Masses during November will be celebrated for the repose of the souls of those named in all three churches.

24 Hour Prayer Vigil for those suffering from illness. Thank you to all those who attended both in person and online last Sunday night into Monday, there was seldom less than five people in the church even in the middle of the night. Deacon John Proctor's surgery on Monday (24 October) is reported to have gone well. Please keep him and all our parishioners coping with illness in your prayers.

Salisbury Catholics Parishioner Lunch is after the midday Mass on Thursday 10 November in St Osmund's Parish Rooms. Come and enjoy a home-cooked lunch in friendly company. There is no charge for lunch but any donations given will go to our SCORE Ukraine fund. We look forward to seeing you there.

Salisbury Foodbank. During November we will continue to collect items for the Foodbank, especially baked beans; jam; and sandwich spreads. Please leave items in the box at the back of the church. Thank you.

Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) Christmas Cards are available (cash or cheque only) from the Parish Office during the week and will also be sold after the 9am and 11am Sunday Masses in the Parish Rooms at St Osmund again this weekend. Please contact the office if you would be happy to sell them at the other Sunday Masses where you attend. Email: office@salisburycatholics.org or 01722 562703.

SCORE (Salisbury Catholic OutREach) supports charitable projects in our parish. Now is a good time to apply for a grant for a charitable project you support. An application form and criteria can be found on the website [click here](#). Please submit by the end of November for consideration at the next SCORE meeting in early December.

Salisbury Catholic Churches Christmas Bazaar St Gregory's are hosting our Christmas Bazaar on Sunday 20 November 2022 (see below). Donations can be brought to any of our churches after Mass each Sunday leading up to the day itself or brought into the Parish Office during the week. Please contact Jez Mawdsley by email: jeremymawdsley@gmail.com if you have queries or would like help making a donation.

SHARING OUR FAITH

Nicodemus Group - The Group will be meeting again next Wednesday 19 October, in St Elizabeth Hall, 131 Exeter Street 7– 8.30pm. For more information, please click on '[Becoming Catholic](#)' on our website main menu.

Journey in Faith Our ongoing programme for adults interested in Christianity who are not confirmed Catholics. The next meeting is Sunday 30 October at 3pm in the Parish Rooms at St Osmund. For more information please visit '[Becoming Catholic](#)' on our website main menu or [click here](#)

If you are interested or wish to ask questions about any of the above, please contact Dave Blake by email nicodemus@salisburycatholics.org or phone the parish office on 01722 562703.

Baptism Preparation There is one remaining session on our current course on Tuesday 1 November at 7pm in St Osmund's Parish Rooms.

First Holy Communion Programme 2022/2023 Dates and times have now been set and have been emailed to all those who have registered their child for the programme. Details are also on our website, please click on 'Sacraments' on our main menu and then on 'Holy Communion' or [click here](#). The first session is for both parents and children on Saturday 19 November in St Gregory's Church and the programme culminates in First Communion weekend on 10/11 June 2023. It is very important that all sessions are attended. For further information please contact Father Anthony or Deacon John Detain.

Applications please for Confirmation in 2023. For young people in school Year 9 or above please apply NOW as we will soon be finalising the programmes. To apply please click on the 'Registration/Update' button on our home page or [click here](#).

Salisbury Catenians - Mass for Deceased Brothers. Members of the Salisbury Circle of the Catenian Association will be holding their annual Mass for Deceased Brothers at St Osmund on Saturday 5 November 2022 at 12 noon (There will be no Mass at 10am on that day). There will be a light lunch and tea/coffee available in the parish rooms after the service. Everyone is welcome. **Confessions will be at 11am on this day.**

Friends of the Holy Land is a charity supporting the most-needy Christians in the Holy Land. At some of our Masses on 5/6 November 2022 there will be a short talk about the work of the charity, by Brendan Metcalfe, Executive Director, followed by a retiring/second collection.

Occasional lift to Mass Needed A regular Mass-attending parishioner has recently moved to the Stratford Road area. Now that she is no longer within walking distance of the church, she has asked whether there is any one that could provide an occasional lift to Mass? Any church and any Mass, she would be grateful. If you can help, please contact the parish office office@salisburycatholics.org or 01722 562703 and we will put you in touch.

Day for Readers - 12 November Fr Joseph is leading a Scriptural 'retreat' day, with short inputs on the Bible and the Reader's role at Mass, plus time for prayer & meditation. New readers would be very welcome indeed! The day begins with the 10am Mass, continues in St Osmund's Parish Rooms and will conclude at 3.15pm. Please bring a packed lunch. Tea and Coffee will be provided. If you plan to attend, please register your interest by contacting the parish office (ideally by email) office@salisburycatholics.org or call 01722 562703.

Candlelight Carols & Benediction Wednesday 21 December 7pm at St Osmund's Church Fr Joseph is looking for singers to join him and will be organising three rehearsals beforehand: 30 November, 7 & 14 December 7pm - 8pm in St Osmund's Parish Rooms office@salisburycatholics.org or call 01722 562703.

The Message of Saint Bernadette We can take solace and draw closer to the Lord and His Blessed Mother through Bernadette's story. In this audiobook, produced in partnership with the Catholic Truth Society, we listen to the message of St Bernadette – a message that is as clear today as it was in the 19th century. To listen click on the image in the Top News box or [click here](#).

LITURGY THIS WEEK

Year C-2 Ordinary Time Week 31 and Psalter 3

Saturday 29 October

10:00 St Osmund MASS Marie Therese Farley RIP

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS People of the Parish

SUNDAY 30 October

09:00 St Gregory MASS K C Philip RIP

09:00 St Osmund MASS John Proctor

11:00 St Osmund MASS Eileen Leggett RIP

12:15 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

18:00 St Osmund MASS Jurate RIP

Monday 31 October

10:00 St Osmund MASS Rose Doherty RIP

Vigil Mass for All Saints

19:00 St Osmund MASS

Tuesday 1 November SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

10:00 St Osmund Whole School MASS (space may be restricted)

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

18:00 St Osmund Benediction

19:00 St Gregory MASS

19:00 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

Wednesday 2 November ALL SOULS' DAY

10:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

12:30 St Osmund MASS John Kerin RIP

18:00 St Osmund Ordinariate MASS

Thursday 3 November

10:00 St Osmund MASS Tony Radclyffe RIP

All Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

18:00 St Osmund Benediction

Friday 4 November Saint Charles Borromeo

10:00 St Gregory MASS Sister Mairead Hurley RIP

19:00 St Osmund MASS November Dead List

Saturday 5 November

12:00 St Osmund MASS Deceased Brothers of Salisbury Catenians

First Mass of Sunday

18:00 Holy Redeemer MASS

RECONCILIATION

St Gregory Fridays After the 10:00 Mass

St Osmund Saturdays Normally 10:30 to 11:00

On the 5 November will be from 11:00 to 11:30

Holy Redeemer Saturdays 17:30 until Mass

And by appointment with our priests.

PRAYER & SCRIPTURE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

Children Who Suffer

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection. [Click here.](#)

CLIFTON DIOCESE

We pray this week for the parishes of St Bernadette (Whitchurch) and St Dunstan (Keynsham).

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Derek Pheby, John Say, Derek Boston, Mary Webb, Beryl Kerley and Vincent Callaghan, who died recently and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Advance Notice: Requiem Mass - Derek Boston RIP
2.30pm on 9 November in St Gregory's - all welcome

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

Wisdom 11:22-12:2

Ps 144

I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.

2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Blessings on the King who comes,
in the name of the Lord!**

Peace in heaven

and glory in the highest heavens!

Alleluia!

Luke 19:1-10

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 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 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](#)

MARRIAGES Please speak to the 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 Caroline for more details:
caroline.williams@cliftondiocese.com



SALISBURY CATHOLIC
CHURCHES WOULD LIKE
TO WELCOME YOU
TO

ST GREGORY'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

ON

SUNDAY 20TH NOVEMBER '22,
10.00AM TO 1.30 PM

IN

ST GREGORY'S HALL,
ST GREGORY'S AVENUE,
SALISBURY

ALL ARE WELCOME!

