

SALISBURY CATENIANS NEWSLETTER

August 2025



Province 11 Circle 266
Founded 14th March 1972
Current membership 25

Circle Website: <https://www.salisburycatenians.org>



Salisbury Circle Pilgrimage to Marnhull Parish, Thursday 10th July



This Month

Tuesday 12th Council mtg;
Zoom 7.00pm.

**Thursday 28th Joint meeting
with Andover Circle (ladies
night);** 6:30pm, Registration
from 6:15pm.

Anniversaries

Enrolments:
Eric Williams 6yrs

Birthdays:
Kevin Lynn

Ladies Birthdays:
Josephine Falzon
Alison Verrian

Wedding Anniversaries:
Tony & Madalaine Sadler
Richard & Alison Verrian

During the Jubilee Year of Hope we are encouraged to make a Pilgrimage. On Thursday 10th July followed the SATNAV down the leafy lanes of Dorset to Our Lady's Church, Marnhull.

Marnhull Parish has celebrated 300 Years of the Priestly Mission to Marnhull, 1725

-2025 and Salisbury Circle made the visit as part of the parish celebrations. Parish Priest Father Cletus welcomed our group and during mass gave a most clear homily on Vocations and impact of the priests of Marnhull on Catholic faith in North Dorset. What of the future?

After mass we were welcomed onto the Sanctuary for a group photo before making our way to the Parish history Exhibition to learn of the growth of our parish and links to old catholic families in the area. On show was a medieval Orphrey with very fine needlework from the parish but now on loan from Plymouth Diocesan Archives. To complete the day, we retired to the Udder Farm restaurant for lunch joined by some parishioners who really enjoyed the occasion. Altogether a most enjoyable day and a great occasion to share the beauty of our little church hidden in the rolling hills of Dorset.

Steve Carrivick

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The Marnhull Lunch Party



At our July meeting Circle President Kevin Lynn on behalf of the brothers of Salisbury Circle, presented Bro. David Morehead with a Certificate of Appreciation for 10 years service to the circle as our Dining officer,

David has shown dedication through his excellent presentation of our monthly welcome card with prayers and toasts, while arranging seating plans and monthly menu options. Our appreciation

also for his thorough planning of 3 major events for our circle during his 10 years as Dining Officer. Our grateful thanks also to Lady Patricia for her patience and tolerance over so many Catenian years!

Joint meeting with Andover Circle

The August meeting is a joint meeting with Andover Circle, and is a Ladies Dinner Night. It is planned that during the evening Bro. Tony Sadler will be presented with his 35 year. A Catenian Bursary cheques will also be presented that evening. Visitors and guests are welcome as always.

Looking ahead

Jersey Weekend; 3rd to 6th October.

Malta Week; 15th to 21st November 2025

Provincial Weekend; Warner's Hotel, Cricket St Thomas, Somerset (near Chard), 20th to 23rd March 2026.

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Circle Meeting, Thursday 28th

August (Ladies)

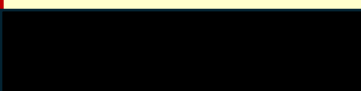
Meeting 6:30pm

Registration from 6:15pm

Dress Code: Smart Casual

Dinning Cost: £27

Brothers are kindly asked to advise the Dining Secretary Steve Carrivick of their dining intentions, menu selection plus any dietary requirements, especially allergies, no later than the preceding SUNDAY.



Main Course

Breast of Chicken with a Leek and Bacon Cream sauce.

Pork Medallions glazed with Stilton, Port Wine Sauce.

Poached Fillet of Salmon on wilted Spinach with a Lemon Hollandaise Sauce.

Vegetable Tian topped with Mozzarella and a Rich Tomato Coulis.

Served with Potatoes and Vegetables.

Dessert

Apple Tart Tatin with Vanilla Ice Cream.

Raspberry Panna Cotta, Crushed Raspberries.

Chocolate and Salted Caramel Tart with Chocolate Sauce.

Fresh Fruit Salad in Meringue Nest with Chantilly Cream.

Fresh Fruit Salad.

Don't forget your tickets for the Salisbury Swindle

Each square selected costs only £2, with a monthly prize of £20. The draw takes place after the monthly circle meeting during the meal. Squares may be purchased on the night or you can choose from the available numbers and pay in advance. Profits go to the Presidents Charities.

Brothers are reminded that photographs may be taken at our Circle functions for inclusion in the Newsletter and our website unless an objection has been notified. Please advise any of your visitors accordingly.

Officers

President	Kevin Lynn	Vice President	Gary Porter
Imm. Past President	Steve Carrivick	Provincial Councillor	Joe Falzon
Secretary	Albert Rhodes	Treasurer	Allan Trowbridge
Presidents Marshall	Ziggy Kajota	Registrar	David Gillen
Welfare	John Detain	Charities	Phil Jones
Dining Secretary	Steve Carrivick	Benevolence Board	David Morehead
Membership	<i>vacant</i>	Chamberlain	David Morehead
Press & Publicity	Eamon Duffin	Newsletter & Website	Richard Verrian

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Catenian Website: <https://thecatenians.com>

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Poets Corner

By Brother Eric

On The Jubilee Line

A slight man with large blue eyes. They are moist.
With a handkerchief, he dabs the dust, or tear, away.
He has appeared opposite us on the Jubilee Line at
Westminster, has presence, like a performer.

Grey hair combed back from the temples, jacket
and trousers shades of faded blue, shoes brown,
trimly laced, crinkled but polished. Worn loose
around his throat, a black cotton cravat conceals

a frayed collar. Neat, composed. His hands are
manicured. Long slender fingers reach into his
inner coat pocket, withdraw a sheaf of closely
written notepaper; he reads through each sheet

with close attention as if memorising as he scans,
his lips parted slightly for a soundless muttering
without inflection, emotion, mantra-like intoning.
Absorbed he remains upright, still, as the carriage
sways round the curving track, the script gripped
close to his chin, strong black even lettering, neatly
ruled deletions in regular lines of verse, its metre
tapped out in a slow beat by his left pointed shoe.

We exit the juddering doors; as they snarl shut
there is no-one visible in our seats or his, glass
gathering reflected motion into the echoing maw
while I wonder where I have encountered him before.

3 May 2025, Salisbury

From The Song Of Life, a long poem inspired by this memory and soon afterwards reading Ann Wroe's Orpheus which tells how the ancient poet is said to have re-appeared throughout the ages, including today.....

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Close at hand

*Far away is close at hand
in images of elsewhere**

trains convey us over land
in trustful faith like prayer

move yet stay in time as planned
aligned between here and there

alighting maybe understand
stirred to stop awhile and stare

that our dreams will always end
where they begin, far and near.

21 March 2025, Salisbury

**on wall by railway line into Paddington Station*

Walking Towards Donhead St Mary



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A sunny summer's day. A family walk. In line,
before and away from me, through long grass
towards a screen of trees in full leaf, framed in green.
The stems already heavy with seed part as they
brush bare legs pushing through an ancient footpath,
swished and swaying like the swell of a green sea.

A picture taken from behind them by my invisible son,
from the pool of shadow they emerge through as they move
towards another guarding the next close-up shot, between
two socially distanced wooden posts that once were joined
by a kissing-gate, I imagine, the earth beyond worn bare by
lovers and worshippers before them, treading their ways
to their fates through the canopy of leaves to cross lawns
leaned over by lichen-lingering gravestones remembering
their loved-ones, before entering the 13th century church, a
window decorated in Victorian Gothic visible through the trees,
where now I find our ancestors were baptised, married, buried.
We're near the Wiltshire border, in the Wessex of Thomas Hardy

(Was he the restoring architect? I wonder) between Shaston and
Melchester, where I shall soon return, closer to my rediscovered
roots, my lost family of farm labourers and servants, their furthest
descendants following. I want them to turn round so we can look into
our eyes' gleam holding glancing flecks of mirrored light reflecting
back to a bricklayer and a lady's maid, Sydney and Clarissa - before
in middle age in Portsea in time of war my father was born, as I would
be between then and a now already preserved for posterity, recorded
for future parents perhaps to show their children, when they recall their
parents and their childhood, cherishing memories they must not mislay,
like this already faded day that lives again as I gaze on my grandchildren now,
growing tall among nodding grasses on a family walk through sunlight.

9 June 2020, Cluj-Napoca

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Meetings & Dinner Planner 2025 - 26

Month	Date	Lunch / Dinner	Courses	Gents / ladies	Mtg Time	Meal Start
April ^{Note 1}	Thursday 24 th	Evening	Two	Gents	1800	1930
May	Thursday 22 nd	Evening	Three	Gents & Ladies	1830	1930
June	Thursday 26 th	Evening	Two	Gents	1830	1930
July	Thursday 24 th	Evening	Three	Gents & Ladies	1830	1930
August ^{Note 2}	Thursday 28 th	Evening	Two	Gents & Ladies	1830	1930
September	Thursday 25 th	Evening	Three	Gents & Ladies	1830	1930
October	Thursday 23 rd	Lunch	Two	Gents & Ladies	1200	1300
November	Thursday 27 th	Lunch	Two	Gents & Ladies	1200	1300
December ^{Note 3}	Wednesday 10 th	Evening	Three	Gents & Ladies	1800	1900
January	Thursday 22 nd	Lunch	Two	Gents & Ladies	1200	1300
February	Thursday 26 th	Lunch	Two	Gents & Ladies	1200	1300
March ^{Note 4}	Thursday 26 th	Evening	Three	Gents & Ladies	1830	1930

1. April, earlier start time due to AGM immediately before Circle meeting.
2. August, joint meeting with Andover Circle (Hosted by Salisbury in 2025).
3. December, Christmas Party, no meeting, no dress code. Arrival/Drinks from 1800.
4. March, Charter Night, Black Tie or Lounge Suit.

Registration commences 15 mins prior to meeting time: i.e. 1145 or 1815.

Two course meal comprises Main & Dessert.

Lunchtime meetings Oct/Nov & Jan/Feb.