

## The Catholic Church of St Osmund, Barnes

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Mass Times	Confessions: Friday 9-9.50am,Sunday 9:45am –
Sundays: 8.30am, 10.30am, 6.30pm	10:15am & 6pm - 6:20pm
Weekdays: 10.00am Mon, Tues, Wed,	Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament: Fri 9-10am
Fri, Thurs (6.30pm)	Baptisms and Weddings: Contact the Parish Office.

## Thirty-Second Sunday (B) Sunday, 10 November 2024 Mass Book p154

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	8.30am Mass	Andrzej Kedzierski RIP	Thirty-Second Sunday (B)
	10.30am Mass	Fergus O'Kelly RIP	
	6.30pm Mass	Jose Colautti RIP	
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.00am Mass	Holy Souls	St Martin of Tours
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.00am Mass	Holy Souls	St Josaphat
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.00am Mass	Holy Souls	St Frances Xavier Cabrini
Thur 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	6.30pm Mass	Johnny Lynch RIP	Feria
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.00am Mass	Eamonn Ted Kenna RIP	St Albert the Great
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	8.30am Mass	Pro-populo	Thirty-Third Sunday (B)
	10.30am Mass	Justine Estaphanos RIP	
	6.30pm Mass	Holy Souls	

### Comments on the Synod..

The Synod initiated by Pope Francis over three years ago concluded on October 26 with the release of a final document endorsed by the Pope. Traditionally, the Synod of Bishops has been the principal forum where bishops, in communion with the Pope, convene to deliberate on pressing issues facing the Church. However, this recent Synod marked a significant shift from past practices.

In 2021, Pope Francis extended an invitation beyond the bishops to include the entire global Church. Lay Catholics, clergy, religious orders, and communities diverse from backgrounds were encouraged to participate in a collective journey of reflection. Worldwide, dioceses, parishes, and small Catholic communities engaged in an unprecedented consultative process, gathering input from individuals who are often unheard. The insights from lay participants painted a vivid picture of the Church's varied hopes and challenges, highlighting concerns about pastoral

inclusion, transparency, justice, and accountability.

By the time representatives assembled in Rome for the Synod, these voices had been synthesized into preparatory documents reflecting the desires of Catholics across continents. Unlike previous gatherings dominated by clergy, this assembly included laity, religious members, and representatives from all facets of the Church, making it a deeply inclusive forum. Participants described the Synod as a place of genuine encounter, where listening and dialogue were central. This collective openness fostered meaningful exchanges, aligning with the Church's mission to be universal and responsive.

The Synod's final document underscores a shared vision and commitment. Key themes include increasing the role of the laity in Church governance, renewed outreach to marginalized communities, and a stronger call for accountability within Church structures. These resolutions highlight the Church's desire

to respond faithfully to the needs of the modern world while staying true to its mission of compassion and service.

Far from being a conclusion, this document is a call to continue the synodal journey at local and regional levels. The Synod's insights and recommendations invite all members of the Church to engage more deeply in their faith communities. Those interested in exploring the final document and its vision for the Church's future can find it on the Vatican's official website, offering a comprehensive view of the path ahead for our global community.

(<u>https://press.vatican.va/content/salasta</u> <u>mpa/it/bollettino/pubblico/2024/10/26/</u> <u>0832/01659.html#doc</u>)

#### Baptism We extend our heartfelt congratulations to the family of Jack Parry who was baptised here last Sunday. We also assure them of the continued support and prayers of our parish community as he embarks on his journey of faith. November: Month of the Holy Souls In November, the Church calls us to pray for all the faithful departed, including our loved ones and parishioners. The names of those we remember will be placed at the altar, where Masses will be offered in their memory throughout the month. Remembrance sheets are available in the Narthex, or you may send names to the parish office. Donations can be made via the Dona portal's "Holy Souls" button, with offering envelopes also available in the Narthex. **Today's Second Collection - Archbishop's** Appeal 2<sup>nd</sup> collection at masses this weekend is for the support of the Archbishop's Appeal that funds key areas of ministry: Youth and Evangelisation, Our Faith in Action (Caritas) and Clergy Care and Formation. Your support enables the diocese to support projects taking place throughout South London and Kent. To find out more see: **(**) (www.rcaos.org.uk/archbishops-appeal) Envelopes are in the Narthex. Thank you. Ζ Holy Hour at the Plenary Assembly of the **Bishops of England and Wales - Wed 13 Nov.** 5:30pm-6:30pm S The Bishops of England and Wales will gather in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament at their σ forthcoming Plenary Assembly to pray for the dignity of human life. Archbishop John encourages parishes and communities throughout the Archdiocese of Southwark to join in this hour of prayer, which will be observed concurrently in dioceses across England and Wales. With the Terminally III Adults (End of 3 Life) Bill scheduled for its Second Reading on 29 Nov, Archbishop John urges us, to unite in prayer and action to uphold the sanctity of human life. There will be a Holy Hour in our parish church on Wed 13 Nov, at 5:30pm. Art and Faith: A Series of Lectures - Thurs 12 Dec, 7.15pm, St Osmunds Church.

This Advent season marks the beginning of a new lecture series titled "Art and Faith," with the inaugural lecture by Dr Teresa Lane, an esteemed art historian and professor. With a focus on the Annunciation, Dr Lane will explore how artists of the Middle Ages and Renaissance interpreted the Gospel narratives surrounding Christ's Incarnation. Join us as we enter into the spirit of Advent through the artistic portrayal of Mary's Annunciation. Refreshments will be provided after the talk.

### Christmas Carol concert - save the date!

All welcome for a carol concert in the hall at 7.30pm on Fri 13 Dec with mulled wine.

### Confirmation Candidates' Parents' Evening: Thurs, 14 Nov at 7pm

Parents and guardians of young people in Yr 8 and above wishing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in 2025 are invited to a meeting with Father Ola and the Catechist team. **This meeting is for parents only, and it is essential that at least one parent attends.** This meeting is to provide parents with all necessary information about the preparation program, outlining their vital role in supporting their child's journey. If you have not yet submitted a registration form please bring it to the meeting.

# First Holy Communion Parents' Evening: Thurs, 14 Nov, 7pm

Parents and guardians of children in Yr 3 and above intending to receive First Holy Communion in 2025 are invited to a meeting in the church with Fr Ola and the team of Catechists who will present the program, its structure, and parents' role in the preparation process. This meeting is for parents only, and it is essential that at least one parent attends. Those who have not yet submitted a registration form may bring the completed form to the meeting. The Mass of Initiation into the program will be held on Sunday, 1 Dec, at 10:30am. Application forms are available in the Narthex or through the Parish Office (barnes@rcaos.org.uk).

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## <u>Sick List</u>

For the sick and the suffering especially Audrey Smith, Teresa Cockburn, Mary Kelly, Andrew Brodrick-Ward, Joan Moore, Susan Kelsey, Maureen Carr, Eddie Henshaw, Charles Stiller, and Bridget Jabour.

### In Remembrance

For those who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Patrick Rice, Fergus O'Kelly, Susan Sardell, Eamonn Ted Kenna, Diana Thompson, Christine Wylde, Jane O'Neill, Henry Worthington and Paul Parletti.

### Salve Regina

Salve Regina, mater misericordiae, vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra salve. Ad te clamamus, exules filii Evae. Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes, in hac lacrimarum valle. Eia ergo, advocate nostra, illos tuos misericordes oculos, ad nos converte. Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui, nobis post hoc exsilium ostende. O Clemens, o pia, o dulcis virgo Maria.