



# The Catholic Church of St Osmund, Barnes

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## Mass Times

**Sundays:** 8.30am, 10.30am, 6.30pm

**Weekdays:** 10.00am Mon, Wed, Fri &  
6.30pm Thurs

**Confession:** Sundays 9:45am – 10:15am & 6pm - 6:20pm

**Baptisms and Weddings:** Contact the Parish

**Office Hours:** 10:00am - 2:00pm Wed, Thurs & Fri  
The parish email account is monitored regularly.

## Sunday Newsletter

**Sunday 11 February and Sunday 18 February 2024**

**Mass Book p. 137 and p.152**

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	Eileen Gasson RIP For the intentions of the Robertson family Camilla Codrington RIP	Sixth Sunday (B)
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	10.00am Mass		Feria
Tue 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	10.00am	Service of the Word	Feria
<b>Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>10.00am Mass</b> <b>6.30pm Mass</b>	<b>Rev M Laurenson RIP</b> <b>Susan Durie RIP</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>
Thur 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	6.30pm Mass		Feria
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	10.00am Mass	Anna Moris Querci della Rovere RIP	Feria
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	Georgina Chevallier and Jozef Langiewicz RIP Victor and Charo Dumas RIP Pro-populo	First Sunday of Lent (B)
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb	10.00am Mass	Susie Keen RIP	Feria
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	10.00am	Service of the Word	Feria
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Feb	10.00am Mass	Gladys, Daisy and Cynthia Smith RIP	St Robert Southwell
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	6.30pm Mass	Ellen Danby RIP	St Peter the Apostle
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	10.00am Mass		St Polycarp
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	Pro-populo Michael Kalwrski RIP Fr Anthony Logan RIP	Second Sunday of Lent (B)

## Reflection

The Gospel for Ash Wednesday invites us to reflect on the ways we present ourselves to the world. Jesus warns his disciples against hypocritical displays of piety, i.e., presenting on the outside something that doesn't match what we think and feel on the inside. It is a good warning for us too. We should not wear our ashes this Wednesday as some kind of merit badge of faith. I began to wonder if my quick removal of ashes was another way to avoid acknowledging the very thing Lent calls us to confront: that I am finite, that I am not self-sufficient, that I need the help of God and other people. This Ash Wednesday, whether we wipe off our ashes sooner or later, I pray that the crosses on our foreheads will remind us of the fragility we all share and the hope that God will meet us in those vulnerable places and give us strength for the journey of Lent and beyond. (Andrew R. Davis is an Associate Professor of Old Testament at the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry)

The funeral Mass for David Hoyland, son of Francis, takes place on Monday 12 February, 2pm at St Simon's Church, Hazelwell Road, Putney, SW15 6LU. David was choir director and organist at St Simon's.

Wednesday 14 Feb is Ash Wednesday. A day of fasting and abstinence. Masses and Ashes will be celebrated at 10am and 6.30 pm.

Fasting is obligatory from 18 years until aged 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. Abstinence from meat is binding upon members of the Church from age 14 years onwards.

Station of the Cross will take place on Sundays during Lent at 5pm.

Sunday 18 Feb is the First Sunday of Lent.

**Annual Collection for Clergy support fund (Sick and Retired Priests)**

In 2023, the Clergy Support Fund provided care to 73 retired priests, at a cost of £1.31 million. Wherever possible, the Archdiocese works with the NHS and the local council to ensure funding gaps are met, but the Archdiocese still relies heavily on the generosity of parishioners who contribute to this worthy fund each year. This year's collection will take place on Sun 18 Feb.

**Confirmation 2024**

Confirmation takes place this year on Sunday 7 July at 10.30am. Application forms for those who wish to receive the Sacrament will be available shortly.

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention Feb 2024**

For the terminally ill. We pray that the sick, who are in the final stages of life, and their families receive the necessary medical and human care and accompaniment.

**World Day of Sick**

Pope Francis calls for a 'therapeutic covenant' between people who are ill and their caregivers, family members, and God. The Pope explores the fundamental importance and healing power of our relationships with others and with God. "Our lives, reflecting in the image of the Trinity, are meant to attain fulfilment through a network of relationships, friendships and love, both given and received," says the Pope. "We were created to be together, not alone." This relational aspect of humanity, he adds, retains its importance even in moments of vulnerability, illness, and insecurity, which are often caused by the onset of a serious illness.

**Castelnau Community Centre**

Everyone welcome to join in a range of activities to suit all age groups at Stillingfleet Road, SW13. Café on site. Email [info@ccproject.org.uk](mailto:info@ccproject.org.uk) for a full list of activities available in February, or call Simon Roach on 0208782359 for more information.

**St Osmund's Interfaith Pilgrimage**

Join us on Monday 6 May for the inaugural St Osmund's Interfaith pilgrimage. We'll be meeting with local Sikhs, Jews and Buddhists to pray with and for each other. Starting at 2pm at Merton Gurdwara for refreshments, prayers and a talk. We will then move on to the Buddhapadipa Temple in Wimbledon via Wimbledon Synagogue, on foot, or by car for those less able to complete the 55 min walk. All are welcome including and especially children and dogs. Please save the date. More information to follow soon.

**MiD Mediation and Counselling.**

Divorce and family breakdown can be one of the most stressful times in any person's life. MiD Mediation and Counselling supports families through mediation or counselling. Sessions available face to face in Hampton and St Margarets as well as online if required. We provide counselling services for adults who are going through separation or divorce or have been divorced in the past and are still struggling and in need of emotional as well as practical support. Call us on 020 8891 6860 to talk through any of the services, or to make a booking go to ([www.midmediation.org.uk](http://www.midmediation.org.uk))

**Sick List**

For the sick and the suffering especially Beth McKiernan, Catherine Bithrey, Vincenzo Dallaglio, John Nemeth, Andrew Brodrick-Ward, Joan Moore, Susan Kelsey, Maureen Carr, Eddie Henshaw, Charles Stiller, Serge Moussalli and Bridget Jabour.

**In Remembrance**

For those who have died recently especially Catherine Peake, and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Susan Durie, Margaret Crawford, Josephine Edwards, Patrick Coakley, John Maguire, Vera Cullinan, George Grafton-Green, John Hewitt, Gerald Jabour, Anne Russell-Dunne, Susan Keane, Ellen Danby, Nova Mallalieu, Mona Bruce, Rose Couch, John Codrington, Terence O'Neill, Desmond Osbourne and Michael Donovan.

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**Ave Regina Caelorum:**

*Ave, Regina Caelorum,  
Ave, Domina Angelorum:  
Salve, radix, salve, porta  
Ex qua mundo lux est orta:  
Gaude, Virgo gloriosa,  
Super omnes speciosa,  
Vale, o valde decora,  
Et pro nobis Christum exora.*