



# 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.

## Sixth Sunday of Easter Mass Book p268 Sunday, 14 May 2023

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> May	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	Pro-populo Fr Anthony Logan RIP	Sixth Sunday of Easter (A)
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> May	10.00am Mass		St John Stone
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> May	10.00am	Service of the Word	St Simon Stock
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> May	10.00am Mass		Feria
<b>Thur 18<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>The Ascension of the Lord</b>
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> May	10.00am Mass		St Dunstan
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> May	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	For the Benefactors of the Parish Pro-populo	Seventh Sunday of Easter (A)

## Reflection

Our faith, our entire hope, is based on the Resurrection of Christ.

Without the Resurrection, Christ was indeed a great man who lived a good life, did some extraordinary things, taught some extraordinary lessons, made some extraordinary claims...but if the Resurrection is true, then the most extraordinary thing is true: that God really did become man 2,000 years ago, experienced our life, went through our death and rose for our salvation.

The evidence does not convince everyone: the testimony of a few frightened women, the claims of some apostles who ran away from the cross but then saw him again in Galilee, the experiences of Paul and the other disciples that witness to his rising again and his ascension to the Father.

But if, as we believe, Paul is right that 'in fact Christ has been raised from the dead', then indeed all of us have something great to hope for.

*(Paul O'Reilly SJ, Hope in All Things)*

Thurs 18 May is The Ascension of the Lord, a Holy Day of Obligation. Local mass times:  
 - St Augustine's, Hammersmith: 8am, 12.15pm, 7pm.  
 - Our Lady of Pity & St Simon Stock, Putney, 10am.  
 - St Mary Magdalene, Mortlake, 9.30am.  
 - Our Lady Queen of Peace, Richmond, 10am, 8pm.

**International Day of Prayer for Eastern Christians**

Today is the Annual International Day of Prayer for Eastern Christians. The event unites the Roman Catholic Church in Europe with the Eastern Catholic Churches, in union with the Bishop of Rome, with the participation of Christians from all over Europe, the Middle East, the Horn of Africa and India. For more information, see:  
<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/international-day-of-prayer-for-eastern-Christians/>

**World Communications Day**

This week's second collection supports the Catholic Communications Network (CCN), the media office of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The CCN serves both the Church and the world in offering professional channels of communication, and provides support for the Bishops of England and Wales and the wider church in promoting the Gospel through media on current issues. It provides up-to-date news releases, features and podcasts, information from the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, and trains spokesmen and women.

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for May**

For church movements and groups: We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

**Dates for your diary:**

First Holy Communion: Sat 10 and 17 June.  
 Confirmation: Sat 1 July, 6pm, Bishop Philip Moger.

**Francis of Assisi exhibition, National Gallery**

The Westminster cathedral interfaith group are visiting the Francis of Assisi exhibition at the National Gallery at 11.30 am on Wed 17 May. Tickets: <https://www.nationalgallery.org.uk/exhibition/s/saint-francis-of-assisii>. Contact Text John Woodhouse if you would like to join the group on 07908888586 or [woodhousesopten@btinternet.com](mailto:woodhousesopten@btinternet.com)

**Sir Harold Hood Memorial Lecture**

"Is there a Christian answer to the problems of the criminal justice system?" at Maria Fidelis School (NW1 1LY) on Wed 24 May, from 6pm – 8.30pm, exploring a Christian response to the justice system, with guest lecturer Dr Chijioke Nwalozie (Senior Lecturer in Criminology, De Montfort University) Register here:  
<https://www.prisonadvice.org.uk/Event/sir-harold-hood-lecture-2023>

**The Men's Group**

Our next meeting is on Thursday 25 May, 8.15 for 8.30pm in the St Edward's Room, over the river at Our Lady of Grace and St Edward, Chiswick High Road (enter via passageway to right of church). Men of all ages are very welcome to join us for a screening of 2022 film "Father Stu" based on the real life story of a US boxer who discovers faith and becomes a Catholic priest. Refreshments provided. Email Stephen Donnelly: [donnellysm@hotmail.com](mailto:donnellysm@hotmail.com) for details, or just turn up. We are a supportive fraternal group affiliated to [www.catholicman.uk](http://www.catholicman.uk)

**Volunteer Fair at RHACC, 25 May**

On Thursday 25 May 2023, join us for our annual Volunteer Fair at Richmond and Hillcroft Adult and Community College (RHACC). A free community event which invites local people to learn more about a wide range of good causes and volunteer roles they could get involved with, in whatever time they can spare.

**Part Time Teacher required**

For September 2023 at Laleham Lea Independent Catholic School, Purley, CR8 3JJ. Please contact Mrs Strachan for an application pack on [sbm@lalehamlea.co.uk](mailto:sbm@lalehamlea.co.uk), 0208 660 3351. Closing date is noon on May 19, 2023.

**Barnes Fair Sat 8 July**

The parish and school will have a table at Barnes Fair this year selling produce and children's books. We need volunteers. Please contact Cath in the Parish Office if you would like to help. ([barnes@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:barnes@rcaos.org.uk))

**Foodbank**

The Foodbank is short of tinned items such as stews, rice pudding, custard and long life milk.

**Sick List**

For the sick and the suffering, especially Susan Kelsey, Maggie Danby, Maureen Carr, Eddie Henshaw, Charles Stiller, Serge Moussalli and Bridget Jabour.

**In Remembrance**

For those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Jane Thomas, David O'Grady, Jean Slater, Oswald & Adrienne McOustra, Margaret Edwards, Ruth Harrison, Jonathan Sharp and Oswald Cook.

**Regina Caeli**

*Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia; quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia; resurrexit sicut dixit, alleluia; ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.*