



# The Catholic Church of St Osmund, Barnes

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## Mass Times

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

**Weekdays:** 10.00am Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri, Thurs (6.30pm)

**Confessions:** Friday 9-9.50am, Sunday 9:45am – 10:15am & 6pm - 6:20pm

**Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament:** Fri 9-10am

**Baptisms and Weddings:** Contact the Parish Office.

## Twenty-Fourth Sunday Sunday, 15 September 2024 Mass Book p132

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> Sept	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	Pro-populo Canon Jeremiah Anthony Cronin RIP	Twenty-Fourth Sunday (B)
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10.00am Mass		Sts Cornelius and Cyprian
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10.00am Mass		St Robert Bellarmine
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10.00am Mass		St Edith of Kemsing
Thur 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept	6.30pm Mass		St Theodore of Canterbury
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10.00am Mass	Mary Donovan RIP	St Andrew Kim Tae-gon
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	Georgina Chevallier RIP Pro-populo	Twenty-Fifth Sunday (B)

## Reflection

As the new academic year begins, and we transition into the autumn season with its longer and colder nights, we are reminded of the natural rhythm of change and its impact on our inner lives. Autumn, with its cooling air and darkening evenings, can evoke a sense of longing - reminder of the impermanence of life and the challenges that often accompany such transitions.

The world around us slows down, mirroring the times in our own lives when uncertainty, fear, or hardship may arise. These are moments when hope becomes essential, a light that sustains us amid the encroaching cold and darkness.

Pope Francis, in his call for the Jubilee Year of 2025, emphasizes that hope does not disappoint because it is grounded in God's unwavering love. This message is particularly poignant as we enter a season of reflection, both in nature and in our spiritual lives. The Pope reminds us that Christian hope is not passive; it is a call to action, rooted in faith, which compels us to reach out to others, especially in times of struggle.

As students and teachers embark on the academic year, they are invited to nurture this hope within their communities. Just as autumn prepares the earth for new growth, so too can we use this time to deepen our

commitment to learning, growth, and helping one another. Hope encourages us to face difficulties not with despair, but with confidence in the grace of God.

In a world often marked by division and hardship, the Jubilee's focus on hope becomes an invitation to foster unity, to care for the most vulnerable, and to act as witnesses of God's mercy. As Pope Francis reminds us: *"May the power of hope fill our days, as we await with confidence the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ"* -(*Spes Non Confundit*).

In this spirit, let us face the challenges of this new season with hearts full of hope, trusting in God's enduring love.

Canon Jeremiah Anthony Cronin died peacefully on Tues 10 Sept. Many of you will know him as the elder brother of Monsignor Canon James Cronin who joined St Osmund's pilgrimage to the Holy Land. He was 87 years old and in the 62<sup>nd</sup> year of his priesthood. May his soul rest in peace.

**Baptisms**

The entire parish community extends heartfelt congratulations to Axel and Marcus Tylegard, who were baptized last Sunday in this parish Church. We also congratulate their parents and godparents, assuring them of our continued support and prayers as they embark on this journey of faith. May the grace of the sacrament enrich their lives and lead them ever closer to Christ.

**Evangelii Gaudium, (Home Mission) Sunday**

Today's second collection provides the bishops of England and Wales with resources to support Home Mission and the spread of the gospel in our own country. The money collected enables a breadth of work to be done in support of parish evangelization.

**First Holy Communion 2025**

Registration will open soon. Please check the newsletter regularly for information and contact the parish office if you do not already receive the parish newsletter online and would like to join our mailing list.

**The Men's Group**

Men of all ages are very welcome to join us for our next meeting on Thursday 19 September, 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 passage to right hand side of the church). We will have a video presentation on "Angels and Demons" - an exorcist explains what they are and their interaction with our lives, followed by discussion and a social drink at The Lamb. Email Stephen Donnelly for details: [donnellysm@hotmail.com](mailto:donnellysm@hotmail.com) or just turn up.

**Food bank – Volunteer needed**

Are you able to deliver St Osmunds' food donations to the Foodbank in Stillingfleet Road every 2 weeks? The delivery is made on Thursday afternoons or Friday mornings from 9.30 - 11.30. Please contact the parish office if you can help: ([barnes@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:barnes@rcaos.org.uk)).

**Church cleaning - can you help?**

We are looking for a few extra people to join our cleaning rota. As a rough guide, we're looking at 1 or 2 hours every 4 to 6 weeks or so. If you can help, please email Aoife Hulme: ([aoifehulme@hotmail.com](mailto:aoifehulme@hotmail.com))

**St Richard Reynolds Catholic College**

Tours take place on Weds and Fridays during Sept and Oct. Open Evening is on 2 Oct, 5:30pm-7:30pm. Please visit our website for more information: (<https://strichardreynolds.org.uk/high-school/high-school-admissions>)

**Priest Reference Forms - Secondary School Transfer**

Sign-up sheets are available at the back of the church for you to book a 15 min appointment with Fr Ola to have your Secondary School forms signed. For your reference, Catholic State and Independent schools that serve our parish:

**Catholic State Schools:**

Cardinal Vaughan, Gumley House, Wimbledon College, London Oratory, Sacred Heart, Ursuline, St Richard Reynolds, Gunnersbury.

**Catholic Independent Schools:**

The Marist School, (Ascot), St Mary's, (Ascot) Woldingham School (Caterham), Worth School (Crawley), St Benedict's (Ealing), More House, (Sloane Square), St Catherine's, Twickenham.

**QR code for DONA portal donations St Osmunds**

Please see posters in the church porch with a QR code which will take you to our 'Dona' portal to enable you to make a contactless donation to the parish without using the devices inside the church (particularly useful if there is a queue for these devices, or if they are out of order). You can find the same QR code below:



As always, we are very grateful for all your support.

**Sick List**

For the sick and the suffering especially 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, especially Canon Jeremiah Cronin, and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Jonathan Goodall, Jim Carr, Leonard Brajou, Robina Brown, Vera Strobera, John Kennedy, Patrick Hayes, Julie Dean, Lily McLoughlin, Edward Ryan, Patsy Crudden and Margueritte Glennie.

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**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.*