

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)

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

Baptisms and Weddings: Contact the Parish **Office Hours:** 10:00am - 2:00pm Tues, Wed, & Fri The parish email account is monitored regularly.

Twelfth Sunday (B) Sunday, 23 June 2024 Mass Book p 98

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sun 23 rd June	8.30am Mass	Ian Gregory and Simon Gomes RIP	Twelfth Sunday (B)
	10.30am Mass	Patrick James Quinn RIP	
	6.30pm Mass	Ned Eaves RIP	
Mon 24th June	10.00am Mass	Vincent Herbert Egan and family	The Nativity of St John
Tues 25 th June	10.00am Mass	Fr Michael Coles RIP	Feria
Wed 26th June	10.00am Mass		St Thomas Garnet
Thur 27 th June	6.30pm Mass		St Cyril of Alexandria
Fri 28st June	10.00am Mass		St Irenaeus
Sun 30 th June	8.30am Mass	Maureen McDonnell RIP	Sts Peter and Paul
	10.30am Mass	Pro-populo	
	6.30pm Mass		

Reflection...Is our Lord asleep?

The idea of the Church as a ship finds its roots in the recorded events of Jesus' life and ministry, particularly in today's Gospel reading. This imagery resonated with early Christians, many of whom were fishermen and travelled by sea to spread the Gospel. Their daily experiences with the sea made nautical themes an effective way to communicate spiritual truths.

A church facing persecution could easily relate to sailors caught in a storm, feeling vulnerable and at the mercy of the elements. Even modern sailors understand how quickly calm waters can become dangerous, paralleling how the Church, both historically and today, can feel overwhelmed by challenges.

This analogy extends to individuals' lives, where the voyage represents life's journey and the storms symbolize crises. Everyone encounters storms, though some more than others. Often, it is during these crises that people, and sometimes the Church, turn to God—though not always positively. Doubting God in such moments, while seemingly negative, is a step above not considering Him at all. Doubt and questioning can lead to understanding deeper answers, as seen when the disciples questioned Jesus during a storm and received His assurance.

The Gospel challenges us to reflect on whether God is truly absent in our crises or if it is merely our perception. Our questioning should prompt us to examine our

overall attitude towards God. Recognizing that God answers in His terms, not ours, helps us understand that not all crises will be resolved as we hope. The Church and individuals will face suffering and fear, but this does not indicate God's absence or indifference. Instead, it reminds us that we are often the ones asleep to His presence.

Ultimately, today's Gospel assures us of a God who is always with us, guiding us towards salvation. While the path may not always be clear, faith in God's constant presence and leadership remains crucial.

Peter's Pence

Next Sunday's second collection is for Peter's Pence: by reason of the bond of unity and charity, the bishops of the Church with their people, join together to produce those means which the Holy Father and the Apostolic See need to exercise works of mercy and charity and its service of the Universal Church. The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father are destined to church needs, humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects as well as to the support of the Holy See. The Pope, being the pastor of the whole Church, is attentive to the material needs of poor dioceses, religious institutes and faithful in grave difficulties: the poor, children, the elderly, those marginalized and the victims of war and natural disasters. Aid is thus made available to bishops or dioceses in need, to Catholic education, assistance, to refugees, and immigrants, etc.

Farewell mass for Mgr Cronin Fri 28 June

On Friday, 28 June at 6:30pm, we will host a farewell mass for our former parish priest, Mgr Cronin, at St Osmund, followed by a reception in the hall in thanksgiving for his eight years of dedicated service to our parish and the Barnes community. This occasion will offer us a chance to show our appreciation for his years of hard work in our parish and in the community. If you would like to contribute to Mgr Cronin's leaving gift, you can use the contactless machines in the narthex or online at (https://donate.mydona.com/st-osmunds-catholic-church) or by placing your donation in an envelope marked 'Mgr Cronin' to the Parish Office. Cheques should be made out to 'James Cronin'.

Holy Hour, starting 5 July

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In anticipation of the Jubilee Year 2025, declared by the Holy Father through his Bull of Indiction "Spes Non Confundit" on 9 May, 2024, our parish will restart weekly silent adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Beginning Friday, 5 July, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed at 9am, one hour before Morning Mass, for silent prayer and adoration. During this time, the priest will be available for confessions. Adoration will conclude with Benediction, followed by the 10am Mass. We encourage all community members to join in this moment of prayer to deepen their faith and prepare for the Jubilee Year.

Mass of Confirmation, Sat 6 July 2024, 11am

26 of our young people will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, through the anointing with oil of Chrism, administered by the Archdiocesan Episcopal Vicar for the Southwest Area, Rev. Canon Gerard Bradley. Please keep these confirmands in your prayers as they make their final preparations to receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit. Pray also for their families and for the coordination team responsible for the preparation program, led by Mark Bithrey and Leah Kolhoff.

Barnes Fair is on Saturday 13 July!

The parish and school will come together again this year to sell handmade items including Margaret's jam, cakes, confectionery and lavender bags. New this year will be a raffle for a fabulous summer hamper. We cannot run our stall without your support. Ways to help:

Donate items for the hamper:

Use the link below to donate a pre-selected item via Amazon HAMPER LIST

(https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/14AJECEA 1HQEW?ref =wl_share). Please use 'gift registry address' for the Amazon list, or if you would prefer to donate towards a Ginger Pig voucher for the hamper, please make a transfer to the St Osmund's PTFA (Sort code: 60-01-39, Acc no: 47062495, Bank: NatWest with 'Barnes Fair' as the reference).

Bake or donate items:

All sweet treats welcome (cookies, cakes, flapjacks, fudge). If your specialty is baking delicious biscotti, please consider making some for our stall. All cakes and confectionery must be sealed, clearly labelled with ingredients especially nuts (Natasha's Law) and marked 'Barnes Fair' (Please drop them off to the School office between 9am and 5pm on Friday 12 July.

Volunteer!:

Please volunteer for an hour to run our stall on the day – bring a friend with you! Use the link here to sign up:

(https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A44A5AD22 A2F49-50102728-barnes)

THANK YOU so much in advance.

Holy Days of Obligation 2024

SS Peter & Paul – Sun 30 June Assumption – Thurs 15 August All Saints – Fri 1 November Christmas Day – Wed 25 December

Sick List

For the sick and the suffering especially Audrey Smith, Nina Antonia, 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 Simeon Craig and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Len Cunningham, Edna Durie, Michael Scanlon, Rosetta Hoadley and Norman Harrison.

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.