

The Catholic Church of St Osmund, Barnes

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Mass Times

Confessions: Friday 9-9.50am, Sunday 9:45am -

10:15am & 6pm - 6:20pm

Sundays: 8.30am, 10.30am, 6.30pm Weekdays: 10am Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri, Thurs (6.30pm), Sat (Latin) 10am

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament: Fri 9-10am Baptisms and Weddings: Contact the Parish Office.

Third Sunday (C) Mass Book p 129 Sunday, 26 January 2025

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sun 26th Jan	8.30am Mass	Grace Lynch RIP	Third Sunday (C)
	10.30am Mass	Pro-populo	
	6.30pm Mass		
Mon 27 th Jan	10.00am Mass	For all those who died in WWII	St Angela Merici
Tues 28th Jan	10.00am Mass		St Thomas Aquinas
Wed 29th Jan	10.00am Mass		Feria
Thur 30 th Jan	6.30pm Mass		Feria
Fri 31st Jan	10.00am Mass		St John Bosco
Sat 1 st Feb	10.00am Mass		The Blessed Virgin Mary
Sun 2 nd Feb	8.30am Mass	Pro-populo	The Presentation of the
	10.30am Mass	Holy Souls	Lord (C)
	6.30pm Mass		

Reflection

The Jubilee Year is recognised as a significant occasion in the life of the Church, yet its importance may not be widely appreciated. While many may already be aware of its purpose, this reflection offers context for those who might find it helpful. With greater understanding, the blessings and opportunities of the Jubilee Year may be fully embraced by the community.

The origins of the Jubilee Year can be traced to the Old Testament, specifically in the Book of Leviticus (25:8-55), where the concept of the Jubilee is outlined as a sacred time of restoration and renewal every fiftieth year. Debts were forgiven, slaves were liberated, and ancestral lands were returned, highlighting the principles of mercy, justice, and renewal. The theological foundation of the Jubilee is rooted in the belief that the land and all possessions ultimately belong

to God, and humanity is entrusted with their stewardship under divine authority.

The first official Jubilee Year was proclaimed by Pope Boniface VIII in 1300, inspired by the practices outlined in Leviticus and by a popular belief that such Jubilees had been observed in earlier centuries. Boniface formalised the Jubilee as a time for pilgrimage, repentance, and the granting of plenary indulgences. This declaration not only emphasised the spiritual renewal of individuals but also fostered a sense of universal Church unity.

This current Jubilee Year, titled 'Pilgrims of Hope', was inaugurated by Pope Francis on Christmas Day. The Holy Father, in the Bull of Indiction for the year, Spes Non Confundit (Hope Does Not Disappoint) reflects on hope as a central virtue for the Church and the world, particularly in times of uncertainty and trial.

This Jubilee is described as an opportunity for conversion, reconciliation, and the deepening of faith, urging the faithful to embrace their role as bearers of hope in a fractured world.

While Rome remains traditional destination for pilgrimage, within certain churches archdiocese of Southwark, including St George's Cathedral, have been designated as official pilgrimage centres. These locations, with their Holy Doors, provide the faithful with accessible means to participate in the Jubilee's spiritual benefits.

All are encouraged to enter into the spirit of the Jubilee by undertaking pilgrimages, engaging in acts of prayer and charity, or seeking the grace of reconciliation. This is a time to rediscover God's mercy and renew the journey of faith and hope as a united community.

No adoration - Friday 31 Jan

There will be no adoration at 9am next Friday 31 January but Mass will be held at 10 am as usual.

Help Shape the Future of Our Archdiocese

In last Sunday's pastoral letter, the Archbishop encouraged us all to reflect on the themes in the Called to Bear Fruit booklet as part of shaping the future of our Archdiocese. This is a reminder to take part in this important process by forming a small group and engaging in discussion. Groups may consist of 4-12 people and can meet over six sessions to explore each of the booklet's themes or combine sessions into fewer meetings if preferred. After completing your discussions, please send your reflections either via the online form or as a typed hard copy to the Called to Bear Fruit team. The Archbishop stressed how vital it is to hear from as many people as possible to understand the needs of the Archdiocese fully. More booklets are still available in the narthex. Your participation will make a difference as we journey together towards a shared future.

Embracing age classical concert

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All are welcome to an uplifting evening of solo and ensemble classical music on Fri 7 Feb at St Stephen's Church, TW12PD at 8pm raising funds for a local charity befriending care home residents. Bar and light refreshments available. Booking essential at (embracingage.org.uk/concert) or phone 020 377 80035.

Archbishop John Wilson's new book

Archbishop Wilson has written a new book entitled The Romero Rosary. With introductory chapters about St Oscar Romero and the rosary, this beautiful and creative new book contains reflections on the traditional mysteries of the rosary (Joy, Light, Sorrow & Glory) and the NEW Romero Mysteries (Charity, Compassion and Mercy, & Justice and Peace) - all illumined for reflection and prayer by the words of St Oscar Romero. The book is available from Pauline Bookshops and online at (www.paulineuk.org). The Archbishops warmly invites everyone to the book launch on Wednesday 12 Feb 2025 at 6pm for 6.30pm at Amigo Hall, adjacent St George's Cathedral, Southwark, South London. SE1 7HY.

Racial Justice Sunday

The Racial and Cultural Inclusion Commission, extends an invitation to Racial Justice Sun on 16 Feb, as we reflect on the theme: "Pilgrims of Hope: Our Journey Together Towards Racial Justice". The celebration will be led by Archbishop John Wilson, who will preside over the 10am Mass at St George's Cathedral, Southwark. To mark this occasion in a spirit of unity and cultural diversity, we encourage attendees to wear traditional attire/ bring a flag representing their country of origin. Following Mass, refreshments will be served in Amigo Hall. See https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/ for more information.

St Richard Reynolds Catholic College Vacancies

The college is currently looking for:

- Teacher of Religious Education
- Teacher of French
- Teacher of PE (Girls)
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Sick List

For the sick and the suffering especially Janet Waddington, James and Audrey Smith, Teresa Cockburn, 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 Mary Callaghan and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Mary and Sonnie O'Connell, Timmy O'Connell, Mary Mango, Eileen Gasson, Canon Francis Moran, John Maguire, Clorinda Gale, Walter Cuss, Margaret Bullen, Patrick Carr, Donna Jordan, and Barbara Kelsey.

Alma Redemptoris Mater

Alma Redemptóris Mater, quæ pérvia cæli Porta manes, et stella maris, succúrre cadénti, Súrgere qui curat pópulo: tu quæ genuísti, Natúra miránte, tuum sanctum Genitórem Virgo prius ac postérius, Gabriélis ab ore Sumens illud Ave, peccatórum miserére.