



The Catholic Church of St Osmund, Barnes

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Mass Times

Sundays: 8.30am, 10.30am, 6.30pm

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

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.

Second Sunday of Easter (C)

Sunday, 27 April 2025

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Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sun 27 th Apr	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	Pro-populo Mary Violet F.G Burbery RIP	Second Sunday of Easter (C)
Mon 28 th Apr	10.00am Mass		St George
Tues 29 th Apr	10.00am Mass		St Catherine of Siena
Wed 30 th Apr	10.00am Mass	Vincent Herbert Egan and family RIP	St Pius V
Thur 1 st May	6.30pm Mass		St Joseph the Worker
Fri 2 nd May	10.00am Mass	Holy Souls	St Athanasius
Sat 3 rd May	8.00pm Mass	Annie Saunders and William Oakden RIP	Sts Philip and James
Sun 4 th May	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	Pro-populo Sue Cuss RIP	Third Sunday of Easter (C)

Reflection

The passing of Pope Francis on Easter Monday marked a moment of profound sadness and reflection for Catholics throughout the world. Each of us has experienced this loss differently: some travelled to Rome, patiently joining the queues to witness his body lying in state; others sought consolation in quiet prayer, lighting candles in local churches; and many participated in our parish Requiem Mass, united in grief yet grateful for his extraordinary life and legacy.

Pope Francis was much more than the head of Vatican City or the successor of St Peter. He was truly the 'Servant of the Servants of God', a title he embodied

through genuine humility and simplicity. Inspired by Saint Francis of Assisi, whose name he humbly adopted, Pope Francis dedicated his entire papacy to uplifting those on society's margins. He passionately preached about justice, mercy, and compassion, demonstrating by his example that the true strength of the papacy rests not in earthly power but in loving service. Thus, his death represents not merely the loss of a global religious leader, but of a gentle shepherd whose personal compassion renewed pride and hope in the hearts of countless Catholics worldwide.

Few may know that after a pope's death, his personal papal

ring, called the "Fisherman's Ring," is ceremonially broken, signifying the definitive end of his authority. Additionally, a period termed "*sede vacante*" ("empty seat") begins, halting significant decisions within the Vatican. Special stamps and coins minted during this unique interval become part of Church history.

As the cardinals prepare to gather soon in conclave within the Sistine Chapel, let our prayers accompany them. Unlike films or fiction, the reality of electing a pope relies profoundly upon prayerful discernment guided by the Holy Spirit. May God guide their choice, and may Pope Francis rest peacefully in the embrace of Christ.

Message from your parish priest

I wish to express my sincere gratitude to all of you for the beautiful cards, thoughtful gifts, and the very special personal gift given to me over these Easter days. Your generosity has been truly remarkable and is deeply appreciated. Yet, even more than the material expressions of kindness, I treasure the gift of your friendship, your warmth, and the encouragement you continue to offer. Thank you most sincerely for your thoughtfulness and support. May God bless you all.

Archbishop John: let Pope Francis' legacy be one of love

In a message to the Archdiocese, following the death of Pope Francis, Archbishop John Wilson called on us to imitate the Holy Father and be witnesses to the Gospel. The Archbishop said "let Pope Francis's legacy be a legacy of love" and called on us to be like the Holy Father by being "a witness to the Gospel, a witness to the love and mercy of Christ, and never be afraid to speak the truth of the Lord Jesus and his saving Gospel". You can watch or read the full message at rcaos.org.uk/legacyoflove. Or this QR code:

**Baptisms and receptions**

Last Saturday, during the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday, our parish joyfully celebrated two baptisms, two receptions into full communion with the Catholic Church, and two confirmations. Nicki Peplow and her daughter Maddison were baptised; Maria Becky-Jane Smith and Roseanna Goodall were received into full communion; and Jennifer Rygalska and Aidan Garner received the Sacrament of Confirmation. We warmly welcome them into our community and assure them of our prayers, encouragement, and fraternal support as they continue their journey in faith.

Second Collection

The second collection this weekend is for the support of St George's Cathedral, the mother church of our Archdiocese. Leaflets and cards are available in the narthex with further information about how we can continue to support the Cathedral, including by becoming a Friend of St George's. You can donate online: www.rcaos.org.uk/Cathedral or telephone weekdays 9am - 5pm: 020 7960 2504.

Archdiocesan Jubilee Celebration Day Sat 7 June

This pilgrimage marking the Jubilee Year, will be held at The Friars, Aylesford Priory, Kent, led by the Archbishop. It will be the principal event of the 2025 Jubilee within the Archdiocese, and will be a spiritually enriching day of prayer, reflection, and celebration for both children and adults. We intend to arrange a coach to take parishioners to and from Aylesford Priory. If you can help to organize this transport please speak to Father Ola.

Sick List

For the sick and the suffering especially Sharon Evans, 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, and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Elsa Ryan, Ellen (Helen) Webber, Sue Cuss, Jennie Cooke, Scott Crosbie, Rudolph Gomes, Marie Bonnon, Ellen Cahillane, Brendan O'Kelly, Peter McKenna and Fiona O'Connor.

Regina Caeli:

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

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