



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.

Saints Peter and Paul (B) Sunday, 30 June 2024 Mass Book p 100

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sun 30 th June	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	Maureen McDonnell RIP Pro-populo	Sts Peter and Paul (B)
Mon 1 st July	10.00am Mass		St Oliver Plunket
Tues 2 nd July	10.00am Mass		Feria
Wed 3 rd July	10.00am Mass		St Thomas
Thur 4 th July	6.30pm Mass	Fr Anthony Logan RIP	St Elizabeth of Portugal
Fri 5 th July	10.00am Mass	Paul Cuss RIP	St Anthony Zaccaria
Sun 7 th July	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	Pro-populo For the Benefactors of the Parish	Fourteenth Sunday (B)

...On the Solemnity of Peter and Paul...

Peter's transformative encounter with Jesus was life-changing, marked by Jesus' words, "*You are Simon, son of John. You will be called Cephas, which means Rock,*" predicting his eminent role in the Church. Despite his flaws, Peter was chosen, highlighting the Church's enduring nature.

In biblical tradition, a name change signifies divine commissioning. Just as Abram became Abraham and Jacob became Israel, Simon's change to Cephas (*Peter*) denoted his new vocation as the Vicar of Christ.

Peter's transformation into a steadfast rock was gradual, marred by impulsiveness and wavering faith. However, his path from impetuosity to steadfastness of faith serves as the perfect example for all followers of Christ.

Saint Paul's conversion was a pivotal event in Christian history, underlining the profound transformation enabled by divine grace. Initially a persecutor, Saul's encounter with Christ on the road to Damascus marked his journey to becoming a devout apostle. The Second Reading in today's Mass highlights Paul's recognition as the chosen instrument for this mission, exemplifying his unwavering dedication.

Paul's transformation signifies that divine grace can heal and perfect anyone. Responding to one's specific vocation involves embracing opportunities to bring others closer to Christ.

A popular legend during Nero's persecution tells of Peter, while fleeing for safety, encountered Jesus carrying His cross.

When Peter asked him: *Where are you going, Lord? (Quo vadis, Domine?)* The Master replied: *'To Rome, to let myself be crucified again'*. Peter understood the implication perfectly. He returned to the city where the cross awaited him."

Peter was executed and buried on Vatican Hill, feeling unworthy to die as his Master, and his humility and devotion are remembered by the Church. Paul on the other hand was beheaded outside the walls of the city.

The journeys and vocations of Peter and Paul delineate the path of Christian discipleship, modelling resilience, humility, and unwavering faith. Their lives serve as exemplary models of discipleship, demonstrating the transformative power of divine grace and the critical nature of responding generously to God's call.

Gratitude for farewell mass & reception

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who contributed their time and resources towards the success of the farewell Mass and reception held in honour of our former parish priest. The occasion was indeed a worthy one, and Monsignor James expressed his profound gratitude for your warmth and generosity. A special thanks to the flower arrangers who adorned the Church with exquisite floral displays and to those who prepared the delightful spread in the hall afterward. Special thanks are also due to those who had organised the liturgy, our Parish Sacristan and the Mass servers whose services had been precious. A huge thank you to one and all for making this occasion memorable and meaningful. Your contributions have not only honoured Monsignor but have also reinforced the strength and unity of our parish community.

Peter's Pence

This Sunday's second collection is for Peter's Pence. 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.

Holy Hour, starting 5 July

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, 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 team responsible for the preparation program, led by Mark Bithrey and Leah Kollhoff.

2 weeks to go until the Barnes Fair (Sat 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/14AJECEA1HQEW?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). 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/8050A44A5AD22A2F49-50102728-barnes>) THANK YOU so much in advance.

Carers Connected

Do you have empathy with carers and are you a committed Christian? Are you comfortable leading a group in prayer and discussion? We are seeking volunteers to join our team to facilitate weekly zoom sessions to support carers. Training provided. For more details contact Sarah on 07964 895477 or email (sarahsmith@embracingage.org.uk) or visit: (www.embracingage.org.uk/for-carers)

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 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 exsiliium ostende. O Clemens, o pia, o dulcis virgo Maria.