



The Catholic Church of St Osmund, Barnes

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Mass Times

Sundays: As noted below
Weekdays: As noted below

Confession: By private appointment only
Baptisms and weddings: Contact the Parish

Sixth Sunday of Easter (B) Sunday 9 May 2021

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sat 8 th May	Private Mass	Pro-populo	First Mass of Sunday
Sun 9 th May	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30am Mass	For the Repose of the Soul of Marianne Aitken RIP Michael Thompson RIP & Lena Copercito RIP Christina Boheimer RIP	Sixth Sunday of Easter
Mon 10 th May	10.00am Mass	Johnny Lynch RIP	Feria
Tues 11 th May	NO MASS	NO MASS	NO MASS
Wed 12 th May	10.00am Mass	Grace Lynch RIP	Sts Nereus and Achilleus
Thur 13 th May	10.00am Mass		The Ascension of the Lord (B)
Fri 14 th May	10.00am Mass	Dermot Boland RIP	St Matthias
Sat 15 th May	Private Mass	For the Repose of the Soul of Elsa Ryan RIP	First Mass of Sunday
Sun 16 th May	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass		Seventh Sunday of Easter (B)

*If you wish to have a mass intention said, please contact the Parish Office

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Sunday, 9 May 2021

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Our Mass schedule remains:

Weekdays - Monday 10.00am; Wednesday 10.00am; Friday 10.00am
Sunday 8.30am; 10.30am; 6.30pm

*This Thursday, 13 May is **The Feast of the Ascension** known as Ascension Thursday and Mass will be at 10.00am (See Livestream details included herein)

YouTube link for Sunday Mass

The 10.30am Mass will be livestreamed via YouTube. Copy and paste the following link to watch: <https://youtu.be/WTljGywff5U>

Remember the Sunday obligation is suspended and given the current situation you should think carefully before coming to Mass, especially if you are shielding or vulnerable. If in doubt, please stay at home.

YouTube link for Ascension Thursday Mass

The 10.00am Mass will be livestreamed via YouTube. Click the following link to watch: <https://youtu.be/PVsTx-VR7cU>

In Remembrance

For those who have died recently, especially Sue Cuss, Ellen Webber (Helen) and Elsa Ryan. Remember them and their family. Eternal Rest Grant unto them, O Lord.

Also remember those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Glenn Barquet, Lawrence Sawyer, Dr George Brown, Rudolph Gomes, Marie Bonnon, Margaret Sharp, Annie Frane, James Condon, William O'Neill, Teresa and William Clancy, Joseph Kieran Butler, Mark Bailey, Margaret Bailey, Margaret Roberts and Józef Raszpla.

Sick List

For the sick and the suffering, especially James, newborn twins Aymeric and Natalie Schirmer (Aymeric is now at home while Natalie remains in the hospital), Mary Alinson, Sandy McCabe, Barbara Still, Rolande Gantly, Sarah Sacarello, Fr Anthony Logan and Susan Kelsey.

Please remember those who are sick and especially those who have contracted the virus.

A Reflection by the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales, delivered at their recent meeting concerning the Pandemic.

To read the full text please visit the website of the Bishops. www.cbcew.org.uk

'Vibrant' is a word which seems to have characterised so many of our parishes throughout the pandemic. We wish to salute our priests in particular for the leadership they have shown in this time of crisis. We thank them for their deep devotion to both the liturgy and to their parishioners.

We commend every priest who made of his parish "a 'sanctuary' open to all" and with a particular care for the poor; and the many Deacons who have exercised with such generosity their mission of charity.

What will be the pace of our emerging from this pandemic remains as yet unclear. What is clear is the challenge we face of bringing our communities and the practice of the faith to a still greater expression and strength. As your bishops, we are aware of a threefold pattern to this challenge.

a) There are the fearful and weary, anxious about coming into the enclosed spaces of our churches; those who have simply lost the habit of coming to church. Personal contact, clear reassurance, and sensitive invitations will all be needed.

b) There are those who will have reassessed their pattern of life and priorities. The practice of faith within the community of the Catholic Church may not be among those priorities. A gap may have opened up, or widened, between the spiritual dimension of their lives and any communal expression of that spiritual quest. They represent a particular focus and concern for our outreach.

c) There are those whom we might describe as the 'Covid curious', those who have come into contact with the Catholic Church through our presence on the internet – a contact we may be able to develop through our continuing presence across diverse media platforms.

In facing these challenges, we are endowed with veritable treasures which serve to resource and enrich us. Among them are our schools, in which so many are regaining confidence to come together with others. We believe our schools can indeed be bridges back to church. There is also the remarkable work of social outreach which has grown exponentially during these long months of pandemic. On this, too, we must build. But the greatest treasure is, of course, the sacramental life of the Church, and, pre-eminently, the Eucharist.

It is the Eucharist, the celebration of the Mass, that makes the Church; and it is the Church, in the gift of the Holy Spirit, which makes the Eucharist. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the lifeblood of the Church. It requires our active participation and, to be fully celebrated, our physical presence. At this moment,

then, we need to have in our sights the need to restore to its rightful centrality in our lives the Sunday Mass, encouraging each to take his or her place once again in the assembly of our brothers and sisters. We face the task of seeking to nurture the sense of Sunday as “a weekly gift from God to his people”, and something we cannot do without; to see Sunday as the soul of the week, as giving light and meaning to all the responsibilities we live out each day; to see the Sunday Eucharist as food for the unique mission with which we have been endowed.

In the time to come we can do no better than to rekindle in our hearts, foster and encourage, a yearning for the Real Presence of the Lord and the practice of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, a gift so deeply appreciated in these times of lockdown. We need to begin by fostering this in ourselves. For the Eucharist should be the cause of our deepest joy, our highest manner of offering thanks to God and for seeking his mercy and love. We need to make it the foundation stone of our lives.

Shavuot

At this time the Jewish people celebrate Shavuot which is a Jewish feast that gives thanks for the Torah, the first five books of the Bible. They believe the Torah is given to them to act as a guide for their lives. Shavuot remembers the time that God spoke to Moses on Mount Sinai and gave him the Ten Commandments. At Shavuot the synagogues are decorated with flowers and Jews attend services to hear the Rabbi deliver teachings from the Torah. We can unite with our Jewish brothers and Sisters in thanking God for his word in the Bible and for his Law.

In May, we pray with Pope Francis for those responsible for financial services, that they may work together with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers. Economic development needs to have a human face, so that no one will be excluded. – Pope Francis

Vacancy

A vacancy has arisen for a volunteer to serve on the Board of Directors for The Barnes Fund Trust Ltd, the corporate trustee to the two linked charities, The Barnes Fund and the Walsingham Lodge Trust, as a nominee of CTiB for an initial term of four years. The Board of nine Directors, all residents of Barnes, sets the strategic direction for the charities, and is responsible for ensuring that all relevant legal, financial and regulatory obligations are met. The Board also decides on grants to voluntary organisations and to individuals, oversees the management of the sheltered accommodation, Walsingham Lodge, and takes responsibility for stewardship of the Fund's financial and property investments.

To complement the skills of the Directors already on the Board, applications are currently sought from those with:

- Adult Social Services background – understanding of The Care Act 2014, Mental Capacity Act 2005 and relevant government guidance, as well as the role local authorities play in supporting vulnerable adults.
- Experience working in a safeguarding role, as the successful candidate will need to fulfil duties as Designated Safeguarding Lead on the Board.
- An appreciation of some of the challenges facing local residents and voluntary

organisations in Barnes and the Richmond Borough.

Prior experience of the workings of a charity or other voluntary organisation and/or experience in social housing is desirable but not essential. Candidates should be familiar with information technology; be regular users of email; be available occasionally during the daytime; and have the time to commit to this busy, but rewarding, voluntary position.

Approximate time requirement: About 4 hours per month for meetings, plus approximately 1 or 2 hours per week. The Board meetings typically take place in the early evenings, with some committee meetings occurring during the daytime subject to trustee availability.

If you live in Barnes and have: strategic vision; independent judgement; ability to work in a team; the necessary skills; and the time available, please contact the Executive Director, Katy Makepeace-Gray to discuss further, executivedirector@thebarnesfund.org.uk. Should you wish to apply, please send your CV and a covering letter by Monday 31st May 2021, to Mia Gibbons, CTiB Secretary: miagibbons@gmail.com.

To find out more about The Barnes Fund and Walsingham Lodge please visit our website. www.thebarnesfund.org.uk. The Barnes Fund welcomes and encourages applications from people of all backgrounds.

Running for St Osmund's School!

A group of mums from St Osmund's school are trying to raise money by running 100km in May. Please consider donating to this fundraising effort as all profits will go to our parish school, St Osmund's.

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-portal/fundraiserPage?pageId=1278562>

A Message from The Men's Group

Men of all ages are warmly invited to our next meeting on Thursday 20 May, at 8.30pm on Zoom. Join us for a presentation on "How to Keep Your Kids Catholic". Email Stephen Donnelly at donnellysm@hotmail.com for details. We are affiliated to www.catholicman.uk.

Save the Date - Sunday 27 June 2021

Should Lockdown Restrictions be lifted by 27 June we will have a bash! Following the 10.30am Mass we will have lunch, etc. It will be good to be together again and so very good to hear children playing in the garden.

Give As You Live

St Osmund's Parish has registered with the Give As You Live platform. This simply means that by shopping at trusted online retailers such as M&S, John Lewis, Waitrose, Sainsbury's, Tesco and 3994 other shops, you can earn money for our parish. Go to: www.giveasyoulive.com and search for St Osmund's Church Barnes to get register today.

Donations

Thank you to all who have made donations via the parish website and by Standing Order/Direct Debit. Your kind generosity is much appreciated and not taken for granted at this perilous time. If you are interested to make any regular,

gift-aid or one-off donations, please view the details on our parish website by visiting: <https://stosmunds.parishportal.net/parish-life/giving>

All my best wishes

Mgr Canon James Cronin