

The Catholic Church of St Osmund, Barnes

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Mass Times Sundays: 8.30am, 10.30am, 6.30pm Weekdays: 10.00am Mon, Wed, Fri & 6.30pm Thurs	Confession: Sundays 9:45am – 10:15am & 6pm - 6:20pm Baptisms and Weddings: Contact the Parish Office Hours: 10:00am – 4:00pm Thursday & Friday The parish email account is monitored regularly.
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Third Sunday of Easter (C) Sunday 1 May 2022

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sat 30 th Apr	Private Mass		
Sun 1 st May	8.30am Mass	Annie Saunders & William Oakden RIP	Third Sunday of Easter (C)
	10.30am Mass	Vincent Herbert Egan & Family RIP	
	6.30pm Mass	Pro-populo	
Mon 2 nd May	10.00am Mass	Grace Lynch RIP	St Athanasius
Tues 3 rd May	10.00am	Service of the Word	Sts Philip and James
Wed 4 th May	10.00am Mass	Elsa Ryan RIP	The English Martyrs
Thur 5 th May	6.30pm Mass	Ellen (Helen) Webber RIP	Feria
Fri 6 th May	10.00am Mass	Ken Beadle RIP	St John Paine
Sat 7 th May	Private Mass	Pro-Populo	
Sun 8 th May	8.30am Mass		Fourth Sunday of Easter (C)
	10.30am Mass		
	6.30pm Mass		

May is the Month of Mary

This Christian custom of dedicating the month of May to the Blessed Virgin Mary arose at the end of the 13th century. In this way, the Church was able to Christianize the secular feasts which were not to take place at that time. In the 16th century, books appeared and fostered this devotion. The practice became especially popular among the members of the Jesuit Order — by 1700 it took hold among their students at the Roman College and a bit later it was publicly practiced in the Gesu Church in Rome. From there it spread to the whole Church. In May of 2002 Pope St John Paul II said, "Today we begin the month dedicated to Our Lady - a favourite of popular devotion. In accord with a longstanding tradition of devotion, parishes and families continue to make the month of May a 'Marian' month."

The tradition of crowning the Statue of Mary, Queen of the May, takes place at St Osmund's School.

Wed, 4 May is the Feast day of the English Martyrs

Holy Water

At The Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night, we blessed the water that will be used at forthcoming baptisms. After two years, we have now also restored our Holy Water stoops and font to use; these also contain some of that water from Easter night. We bless ourselves on entering and leaving Church to remind us that we are baptised into the risen life of Jesus Christ, and as a prayer that his life will be visible in us.

Easter Collection

Thank you for your Easter wishes, and your generosity in the Easter Offering. I am conscious that recently many parishioners have had COVID and some are feeling immense exhaustion. Please pray for them and all suffering side-effects.

<u>The Barnes Fund</u>

Thank you to those who have put themselves forward to assist the Fund. I know the tremendous work the Fund does locally. Later this year, a Trustee will speak at our Masses about the Fund.

St Osmund's is hosting an Alpha Course

What is Alpha? Alpha is a chance to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. The Course is free and includes friendly people, food, a glass of wine, a talk and brief discussion. Come along and invite your neighbor too. Start Date: 4 May - 13 July. Wednesday Evenings 7.30pm - 9.15pm at St Osmund's School Hall. Email: AlphaSaintOsmunds@gmail.com or Call 07812 686811 for more information. All welcome.

A Note from FOTHL - A Lenten Appeal Thank You

"Friends of the Holy Land would like to thank all parishioners who raised £1400 through the church collections for Christians in the Holy Land. Conditions continue to be extremely challenging. Please continue to remember FHL and those we support in your prayers."

Donations to Ukraine

There is a container in the Narthex for essential goods to send to Ukraine. A local parishioner will take these much-needed items to a centre in Twickenham for onward transportation. No clothing is needed.

 Pray the Rosary for Ukraine - We continue to follow Our Lady Fatima's suggestion by praying the Rosary every night at 7:45PM to end the war in Ukraine. Text Isabel Lynch-Bradley at 07947760327 to join.

From the Green Team

We're joining #TheBigPlasticCount - the UK's biggest ever investigation into household plastic waste. For one week, 16–22 May, people all over the country are counting their plastic packaging waste to help gather new, game-changing evidence of the true scale of the plastic problem. The results will show the government what really needs to be done to tackle it, and the more people who take part, the more impact we'll have. Will you join us? Here's the link: <u>https://act.gp/3iOmgvD</u> Also, at the back of the church there are bins for Pens, Printer-ink Cartridges and Crisp Packets (must be empty and flat). All will be recycled for charity.

Parish Giving

Thank you for supporting our parish and to anyone who has recently taken out a new Standing Order or signed up for Gift Aid. Remember:

• Always Gift Aid any offering, if you can, as it adds 25% to your donation. You can do this for all donations, including Mass Offerings, as long as you use an envelope and include your contact details, or register your card when first using the Card Reader.

• As you enter or leave Mass, you can use Contactless Card Giving and also Gift Aid it. Register your card the first time and, if using the same card in the future, the system will remember your GA details.

• We have a 'Donate Now' button directly on our parish website.

• When you shop online from our Give As You Live Page, you can raise money for our parish. A link can be found on our parish website under Parish Giving and there are over 4700 retailers to choose from.

• Please contact the parish office if you wish to set-up a standing order or visit our parish website for our banking account and sort code details.

Manual collections were reintroduced at Mass. However, automated giving means we do not have to store, count, and bank cash. It reduces our administration costs and makes processing Gift Aid straightforward. Banks too are fast disappearing!

Sacrament of Anointing

On 28 May, Archbishop John Wilson will celebrate Mass to mark the fortieth anniversary of the visit of St John Paul II to the Metropolitan Cathedral Church of St George. During this celebration, the sacrament of anointing of the sick will be administered, as it was on the occasion of St John Paul II's visit. Parishes of the Archdiocese of Southwark are invited to select two people (per parish) who might attend this celebration at the Cathedral as representatives of their parish community and receive the sacrament of anointing. This is a general invitation. Anyone wishing to attend, please inform Monsignor or email the parish office.

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, Brendan O'Kelly, Ellen Cahillane, Peter McKenna and Fiona O'Connor.

Sick List

For the sick and the suffering, especially Eddie Henshaw, Charles Stiller, Aymeric and Natalie Schirmer, Fr Anthony Logan and Susan Kelsey.

<u>Regina Caeli</u>:

Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia; Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia, Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia: Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.