

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 - 2:00pm Wed, Thurs & Fri The parish email account is monitored regularly.

Thirtieth Sunday (C) Mass Book p. 155 Sunday, 23 October 2022

| Date | Time | Intention | Feast |
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| Sun 23 rd Oct | 8.30am Mass | Pro-populo | Thirtieth Sunday (C) |
| | 10.30am Mass | Patrick Sheahan RIP | |
| | 6.30pm Mass | | |
| Mon 24th Oct | 10.00am Mass | | St Anthony Mary Claret |
| Tues 25th Oct | 10.00am | Service of the Word | Feria |
| Wed 26th Oct | 12.00pm Mass | Funeral of Ian Gomes RIP | St Chad and St Cedd |
| Thurs 27th Oct | 6.30pm Mass | Frederick Webber RIP | Feria |
| Fri 28 th Oct | 9.00am Mass | | St Simon and St Jude |
| Sun 30 th Oct | 8.30am Mass | Ian Gomes RIP | Thirty-First Sunday (C) |
| | 10.30am Mass | Sir Andrzej Panufnik RIP | |
| | 6.30pm Mass | Gerald Keen RIP | |

Reflection

An example of the missionary work of the Church and a project I visited before the Civil war. My memory is of the mud, damp and wet conditions.

In 2021, St Rita's Boarding House in Myanmar provided care for children in a country overwhelmed by civil war and ongoing internal conflict. Families continue to experience social and economic hardship, in addition to being subjected to brutal force by the military. In December 2021, Myanmar's Cardinal Charles Bo shared: 'The whole of our beloved Myanmar is now a war zone. I appeal to all those holding guns to put down their weapons. I urge Myanmar's military... to stop bombing and shelling innocent people, to stop destroying homes and churches, schools and clinics, and to begin a dialogue with the democracy movement and the ethnic armed groups'. Since the nationalisation of mission schools in the early 1960s and the ban on Catholic education services, the Church has been running boarding houses in parishes in remote areas to support the poorest children who must study in state-run schools, far from home. With your support, the Sisters who maintain the boarding houses offer a safe and nurturing 'home away from home', providing food and basic care for the children. Thanks to you, the Sisters can help with homework, provide uniforms, school equipment and motivate the children to continue their studies. Without the Sisters, and their practical and spiritual support, these students risk joining the thousands of children who drop out of education to join under-age workers who are destined for a life of poverty and missed opportunities.

The funeral Mass for Ian Gomes will be held this Wednesday at 12 noon. Ian was known to many in the parish and was a faithful collector with Mr O'Sullivan at Sunday's 10.30 Mass prior to his long battle with cancer. To Jennifer, Carol and Ann and their families, our sincere condolences. As Ian's funeral is at 12 noon there will be **no 10.00am Mass** this Wednesday.

Mass on Friday 28 November is at 9.00am to facilitate Monsignor's attendance at the quarterly meeting of the Trustees and Consultors of the Diocese.

World Mission Sunday

Second Collection today is for World Mission Sunday. It is celebrated in every Catholic community in the world. It's a moment of grace to express solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Christ who are living in situations of poverty, violence and oppression. Every parish is invited to join this special event. And every penny, pound and prayer you give to Missio helps missionaries everywhere continue their work. As I reflect on my time as Director of Missio I thank God for the opportunity of seeing the work the Church does in mission territories. The hope the work gives, and it is Church to Church support, as the money goes directly to the local church. When the aid workers leave it is the Missionaries who stay behind with the people.

Bishop Howard Tripp RIP

Please remember in your prayers Bishop Howard who died on Monday 3 October. His funeral takes place at St George's Cathedral, Southwark on Thursday 3 November at 12 noon.

Prayers for the Dead and Blessing of Graves

Meet at the Cemetery Gates of East Sheen Cemetery on Sunday 6 November, 3pm, starting with the Rosary and then the procession to the graves of Mgr Canon Cahill, Mgr Wall and Fr Compson. This will be followed by Prayers for the Dead and blessing of individual graves. St Osmund's joins with Our Lady Queen of Peace, East Sheen. Do come along to pray for those we have known and loved and have gone before us. May they rest in peace, Amen.

Pope Francis film - 'The Letter'

Pope Francis invites individuals from all over the world affected in different ways by the climate emergency to watch his documentary 'The Letter - a message for our earth'. Showing in St Osmund's Church Hall on Sunday 6 November, 4.30pm. Admission free. Refreshments provided.

The Foodbank

The Foodbank are particularly short on cleaning products and pasta sauces – please use receptacle at back of the Church. None of us are immune to the increase in the cost of commodities.

First Holy Communion Registration 2023

Registration for First Holy Communion 2023 will begin after half term. Children should be approximately 7 years old (Year 3) at the beginning of the preparation in order to make their First Holy Communion in the Parish in 2023. You will need to complete a sign up form and a consent form to enroll. These will be made available at the back of the church after half term. There will be a meeting for the parents prior to the first session. Enrolment of children on the programme takes place on Sunday 4 December 2022 at 10.30 am after which date it will be impractical for others to join.

St Osmund's Primary School Open Morning

St Osmund's will host one more Open Morning for prospective Reception parents this term, on 24 November. The morning will start at 9.30am with an address from the Head, Mrs Lunney, followed by a tour of the school. Numbers are limited, so please book a place by calling the school office on 020 8748 3582. Please note that the Open Mornings are for parents only.

Go Green this Halloween

Halloween is just around the corner. All those tricks and treats can add up to a lot of waste for landfill. There are lots of ideas to help you have a Green Halloween including making your own Halloween costume, buying locally grown pumpkins, and decorating existing household containers as 'trick or treat bags' to collect sweets which can be reused year after year. You could also make your own Halloween decorations by upcycling and painting cardboard for wall decorations and cut out cats, bats spiders and ghosts. Lastly you could buy locally produced foods, sweets and treats, looking out for goodies with minimal packaging and/or those made packaged in recycled materials.

Sick List

For the sick and the suffering, especially Stephen O'Brien, Maggie Danby, Maureen Carr, Eddie Henshaw, Philippa Couttie, Charles Stiller, Aymeric and Natalie Schirmer, Susan Kelsey and Serge Moussalli.

In Remembrance

For those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Patrick Sheahan, Michael Ruvigny, Andrzej Panufnik, Jeff Potts, Marian Jay, Leslie Battams, Joe O'Donne, Anna Bowers, Sharon Pasteiner and Patrick & James O'Neill.

<u>Salve Regina:</u> 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 exsilium ostende. O Clemens, o pia, o dulcis virgo Maria.