



## 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

## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (A) Sunday 22 November 2020

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Private Mass	Justine Estaphanos RIP Birthday Remembrance	
<b>Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov</b>	<b>10.30am Mass – via YouTube Only</b>	Laszlo Trajer RIP	<b>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (A)</b>
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	Private Mass	Nick Boheimer RIP	St Clement I
Tue 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	No Mass		Sts Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Private Mass	Fergus O'Kelly RIP	St Catherine of Alexandria
Thur 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Private Mass	Mrs Jenny Cooke RIP	Feria
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Private Mass	Mrs Ann Henshaw RIP	Feria
Sat 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Private Mass	Pro-populo	
<b>Sun 29<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	<b>10.30am Mass – via YouTube Only</b>	Jadwiga Langiewicz RIP	<b>First Sunday of Advent (B)</b>

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

**Please read the attached**  
**Newsletter for the latest**  
**Church Update**



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Sunday, 22 November 2020

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

November is going fast; I thought with lockdown it may drag. However life has had a degree of normality or rather the new normal.

I hope you are accessing Mass live-streamed on Sundays at 10.30am. If you have any comments I can feed back to the Company who installed the webcam, please email them to the Office. The Company has been very helpful. A comment I received which I will take up with the installer to see what can be done is "the colour saturation appears a bit low so colours look paler and less vivid than in reality".

**The link for the live stream this week via YouTube is:**

<https://youtu.be/44fzgQnh5Bo>

Thank you for making your home your Church. The place in which God is present. "Called or not called, God is always present", ( Carl Jung). I have these words on my kitchen wall which remind me I am constantly in the presence of God and consequently never alone.

**Sunday is the Feast of Christ the King**

Pope Francis commenting on the text of Sunday's Gospel says:

The Gospel teaches what Jesus' kingdom requires of us: it reminds us that closeness and tenderness are the rule of life for us also, and that on this basis we will be judged. This is how we will be judged. This is the great parable of the final judgement in Matthew 25. The King says: "Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me" (25:34-36). The righteous will ask him: when did we do all this? And he will answer them: "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me" (Mt 25:40).

The starting point of salvation is not the confession of the sovereignty of Christ, but rather the imitation of Jesus' works of mercy through which he brought about his kingdom. The one who accomplishes these works shows that he has welcomed Christ's sovereignty, because he has opened his heart to God's charity. In the twilight of life we will be judged on our love for, closeness to and tenderness towards our brothers and sisters. Upon this will depend our entry

into, or exclusion from, the kingdom of God: our belonging to the one side or the other. Through his victory, Jesus has opened to us his kingdom. But it is for us to enter into it, beginning with our life now – his kingdom begins now – by being close in concrete ways to our brothers and sisters who ask for bread, clothing, acceptance, solidarity, catechesis. If we truly love them, we will be willing to share with them what is most precious to us, Jesus himself and his Gospel.

During November, we pray with Pope Francis that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence always serves humankind.

‘The future is, most of all, in the hands of those people who recognise the other as a “you” and themselves as part of an “us”. We all need each other.’ – Pope Francis

### **St. Andrew Dung-Lac and The Vietnamese Martyrs - Feast Day 24 November**

St Andrew Dung-Lac was among 117 martyrs who died for the Faith in Vietnam during the nineteenth century. The group was made up of ninety-six Vietnamese, eleven Spaniards, and ten French. Eight of the group were bishops, fifty were priests and fifty-nine were lay Catholics, including a 9-year-old child. Some of the priests were Dominicans, others were diocesan priests who belonged to the Paris Mission Society. This feast day, and the witnesses of the lives of the martyrs, give testament to the sufferings inflicted on the Vietnamese Church, which are among the most terrible in the long history of Christian martyrdom. Vietnam has the record for the most persecuted Church.

### **Happy Thanksgiving on Thursday 26 November to our American parishioners!**

### **November is the Month of the Holy Souls**

God raised Jesus from the dead. We shall live is the Christian message. And at every Mass we re-enact the sacrifice of Calvary and proclaim the Easter faith. At every mass we pray for our dear departed, praying: “To our departed brothers and sisters and all who were pleasing to you at their passing from this life, give kind admittance to your kingdom. There we hope to enjoy forever the fullness of your glory”. God does not allow our bodies to vanish into nothing. With God nothing is lost. We are precious and destined to rise again.

Should you wish to have Mass celebrated for the repose of the souls of your relatives, friends or others, please drop the request into the Presbytery or email [barnes@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:barnes@rcaos.org.uk)

### **Church Open Hours**

The Church will be open for private prayer on Sunday mornings from 11.00am – 12 Noon, during which time the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Adoration.

Our next public Mass is expected to be 10.00am Wednesday 2 December. Please check back to our weekly newsletter for continuous updates on this matter.

### **In Remembrance**

For those who have died recently, especially Fergus O’Kelly (our condolences to Phyllis and the family), and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Susan Sardell, Laszlo Trajer, Susie Wood, Richard O’Mahoney, Robin Durie, Diana

Thompson, Christine Brett, Mary Greenaway, Adam Reed, Ines Hawken, George Allen, Peter Gale, Peter Hennesey, Eileen Dellaglio, Sumner Kelsey, Bridget Keane and Patricia Jordan.

### **Sick List**

Elisa Walker, Cathy Sacré Eassie, Mary Alinson, McCabe, Barbara Still, Rolande Gantly, Sarah Sacarello, Annie Macklow-Smith, Fr Anthony Logan, Susan Kelsey and Joseph O'Neill.

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

### **Government launches on line Survey on FAITH**

Colin Bloom has been appointed as Faith Engagement Adviser at the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government. As Faith Engagement Adviser, Colin Bloom will lead a review into how best the government should engage with faith groups in England.

To take part in the SURVEY please go to:

[www.gov.uk/government/consultations/independent-faith-engagement-review-call-for-evidence](http://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/independent-faith-engagement-review-call-for-evidence)

The adviser will make recommendations to the Communities Secretary about how the government can best celebrate and support the contribution of faith groups, break down barriers and promote acceptance between faiths, and promote shared values while tackling cultures and practices that are harmful.

Colin Bloom has held a substantial number of roles in politics which have focused on working towards greater representation of faith in politics. His previous roles have included: Executive Director of the Conservative Christian Fellowship and Director of Christians in Politics. These previous roles have allowed Mr Bloom to develop and demonstrate skills that have helped to promote the fair and equal treatment of faith and religion in politics.

### **Shop Til You Drop - Online Shopping and Christmas Presents!**

Over recent months there has been more online shopping and this could result in donations to our Parish Finances. This is because some retailers including M&S, John Lewis, Waitrose, Sainsbury's, Tesco and 3994 other shops and outlets will make a donation every time you shop online if you register. In the last twelve months this has given hundreds of pounds to another parish. Please go to [www.giveasyoulive.com](http://www.giveasyoulive.com) and search for St Osmund's Catholic Church Barnes.

### **Donations/ Finance**

Thank you to all who have made donations via the website and by Standing Order/Direct Debit. Your kind generosity is much appreciated and not taken for granted at the perilous time. If you are interested to make any regular, gift-aid or one-off donations, please view the details on our parish website at:

<https://stosmunds.parishportal.net/parish-life/giving>

### **Food Bank**

As we are still not able to accept food bank donations at the Church, please deliver all suitable items directly to the Castelnau Centre at 7 Stillingfleet Road, Barnes on Friday mornings from 9.15am - 11.15am.

### **St Osmund's Primary School Applications**

If your child was born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017 they will be starting Reception in September 2021. If you are applying to St Osmund's School, please note that you should apply via Richmond Admissions by 15th January 2021 and a link can be found at:

[https://www.richmond.gov.uk/primary\\_school\\_admissions](https://www.richmond.gov.uk/primary_school_admissions)

In addition, you will need to submit a completed supplementary form directly to the school and this can be found on the school website:

<https://www.stosmunds.richmond.sch.uk/admissions/>

Due to current restrictions, the school will not hold any Open Mornings but are planning a virtual tour which will put on the website shortly. If you have any admissions queries please contact Sophie Leman at the school by phone 020 8748 3582 or email [info@st-osmunds.richmond.sch.uk](mailto:info@st-osmunds.richmond.sch.uk)

Best Wishes,

Rev Monsignor Canon James Cronin