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Sunday, 2 May 2021

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

May is the Month of Mary. Our Mass schedule remains:

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

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/uFHevyEnMpo>

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.

In Remembrance

For those who have died recently, especially Kay King-Farlow and Christina Boheimer. Remember them and their family. Eternal Rest Grant unto them, O Lord.

Also remember those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Jennie Cooke, Scott Crosbie, Brian Tate, Dr George Brown, Rudolph Gomes, Marie Bonnon, Mossie Murphy, Jean Slater, Elizabeth Scully, Ellen Cahillane, Albert Mansfield, Brendan O'Kelly, Denis Culnam, Peter McKenna, Clive Brook, Peter Pinto, Annie McCuffrey, Charles Calive, Fiona O'Connor, Patricia Rush and Sally Rutherford

Sick List

For the sick and the suffering, especially Sue Cuss, Zita Kelly, 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.

Tuesday 4 May - Feast of the English and Welsh Martyrs

After the Reformation, a violent wave of anti-Catholic persecution began backed by legislation which lasted three centuries. It began with the executions of the monks of Charterhouse, then St. Thomas More and St. John Fisher. Hundreds of

persons, priests, laymen and laywomen were killed between 1535 and 1680. The Church recognized the heroism of 40 martyrs from England and Wales in a canonization ceremony on October 25, 1970. Later, a separate feast day was created on 4th May each year to recognize the 284 canonized or beatified martyrs of the English Reformation. Let us pray on 4 May for the unity of the Church.

May is the month of Mary; Mary is Queen of the May

Prayer to Our Lady, to untie the knots in our lives:

Virgin Mary, Mother of fair love, Mother who never refuses to come to the aid of a child in need, Mother whose hands never cease to serve your beloved children because they are moved by the divine love and immense mercy that exists in your heart, cast your compassionate eyes upon me and see the snarl of knots that exist in my life. You know very well how desperate I am, my pain and how I am bound by these knots. Mary, Mother to whom God entrusted the undoing of the knots in the lives of His children, I entrust into your hands the ribbon of my life. No one, not even the evil one himself, can take it away from your precious care. In your hands there is no knot that cannot be undone. Powerful Mother, by your grace and intercessory power with Your Son and My Liberator, Jesus, take into your hands today this knot...I beg you to undo it for the glory of God, once for all, You are my hope. O my Lady, you are the only consolation God gives me, the fortification of my feeble strength, the enrichment of my destitution and with Christ the freedom from my chains. Hear my plea. Keep me, guide me, protect me, o safe refuge! Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for me, Amen.

Vacancy

A vacancy has arisen for a volunteer to serve on the Board of Directors for The Barnes Fund Trustee 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