



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.

Third Sunday of Lent (A) Mass Book p. 158 Sunday, 12 March 2023

| Date | Time | Intention | Feast |
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| Sun 12 th Mar | 8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass | Catherine Mary Walker RIP Edward Collini RIP Frank Comerford RIP | Third Sunday of Lent (A) |
| Mon 13th Mar | 12.00pm | Funeral of Susan Durie RIP | Feria |
| Tues 14 th Mar | 10.00am | Service of the Word | Feria |
| Wed 15th Mar | 10.00am | Funeral of Robert Frame RIP | Feria |
| Thurs 16 th Mar | 6.30pm Mass | For the intentions of the Kuipers family | Feria |
| Fri 17 th Mar | 10.00am Mass | Sarah Hughes RIP | St Patrick |
| Sun 19 th Mar | 8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass | Pamela Abbotson RIP For the welfare of Fr A McKenna For the intentions of the Robertson family | Fourth Sunday of Lent (A) |

Reflection

“Begin”

Begin again to the summoning birds
to the sight of the light at the window,
begin to the roar of morning traffic
all along Pembroke Road.
Every beginning is a promise
born in light and dying in dark
determination and exaltation of springtime
flowering the way to work.
Begin to the pageant of queuing girls
the arrogant loneliness of swans in the canal
bridges linking the past and future
old friends passing though with us still.
Begin to the loneliness that cannot end
since it perhaps is what makes us begin,
begin to wonder at unknown faces
at crying birds in the sudden rain
at branches stark in the willing sunlight
at seagulls foraging for bread
at couples sharing a sunny secret
alone together while making good.
Though we live in a world that dreams of ending
that always seems about to give in
something that will not acknowledge conclusion
insists that we forever begin.
(From The Essential Brendan Kennelly)

Friday is St Patrick's day. Happy Feast - Lá Fhéile Pádraig sona duit!

Upcoming funeral arrangements:

Mrs Susan Durie RIP:13 March,12pm.
Mr Robert Frame RIP:15 March,10am.

Activities during Lent

During Lent, Bucket Collection is for the Church in Myanmar. Cardinal Charles Maung Bo, the Archbishop of Yangon in Myanmar said, 'One of our biggest needs is the education of young people'. Children from the poorest families leave school early to work. The physical labour and long hours mean that they have no time to study nor play.

Perhaps you might consider coming to the 6.30pm Mass on Thursday, during Lent and /or Stations of the Cross on Sunday at 5.00pm.

Message from the Archbishop – Caritas

The Church has always served the poorest and the weakest. This happens today through our parishes, schools and social and charitable projects and organisations. In such challenging times, it is important that we strengthen and enhance our charitable outreach, rooted in our faith in Christ. CARITAS Southwark is about facilitation and collaboration, building up our common bond of charity through a more considered identity whereby our Archdiocese can promote and recognise faith in action. Today, I share with you the wonderful news that we are about to launch CARITAS Southwark. CARITAS Southwark will work with our parishes and schools to support them in serving those in need. Our volunteers have worked hard to get us to this point of a formal launch in a Mass in St George's Cathedral, Southwark, at 12.30pm on Saturday 18 March. Everyone is invited to the Mass and the reception afterwards.

Safety advice

Please be aware that a car was broken into in the Church car park during an evening Mass, as well as an attempted break in into the Hall. Please continue to be vigilant. There has been a spate of similar incidents in and around Barnes.

Alpha Course

Continues every Wed evening until 29 March from 7:30 - 9:15pm at St. Osmund's School Hall. To sign up, please email: Alphasaintosmunds@gmail.com

Confirmation

Our Confirmation programme is underway. We have over 20 young people enrolled. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue their course.

Foodbank

Our local food bank is currently short of tinned items such as meat, chicken stew, rice pudding, custard, and long-life milk and razor blades.

The Lent Retreat 2023: "Renewed in Hope"

Make some space to develop your relationship with God this coming Lent. Sign up for the Diocesan Lent Retreat "Renewed in Hope". Every week you will receive an email with links to a short video. You will also receive materials to use in your own reflection. Sign up here: <http://eepurl.com/hVT7Dv>

The Men's Group

Our next meeting is on Thursday 23 March, 8.15 for 8.30pm in the St Edward's Room, over the river at Our Lady of Grace and St Edward's Church, Chiswick High Road (enter via passageway to right of church). Men of all ages are very welcome to join us for a video and discussion on 'Divine Renovation UK - Less Is More: Prioritising Evangelisation in the Parish', followed by drinks at The Lamb pub. Email Stephen Donnelly at donnelysm@hotmail.com for details, or just turn up. We are affiliated to www.catholicman.uk

Lenten Broadcasts

Radio 3 is broadcasting the service of Compline (the Night Prayer of the Church) each Monday night at 9.30pm:

(<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m001jqcqc>)

Radio 4 is broadcasting weekly 'Lent Talks', reflecting on 'The Our Father – the People's Prayer', each Wed evening at 8.45pm:

(<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m001jkxr>)

Sick List

For the sick and the suffering, especially Andrew Brodrick-Ward, Susan Kelsey, Maggie Danby, Maureen Carr, Eddie Henshaw, Charles Stiller, Serge Moussalli and Bridget Jabour.

In Remembrance

For those who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Con Cahillane, Mary O'Connell, Edward David Vance, Edward Collini, Laura Teresa Diaz, Leslie Terreni and Evelyn Qobty.

Ave Regina Caelorum:

*Ave Regina Caelorum, Ave Domina Angelorum:
Salve, radix, salve, porta, Ex qua mundo lux est orta:
Gaude, Virgo gloriosa, Super omnes speciosa,
Vale, o valde decora, Et pro nobis Christum exora.*