



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.

Second Sunday of Easter Mass Book p255 Sunday, 16 April 2023

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sun 16 th Apr	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	Clorinda Gale RIP David O'Sullivan RIP Agnes Foley RIP	Second Sunday of Easter (A)
Mon 17th Apr	10.00am	No mass	Feria
Tues 18 th Apr	10.00am	Service of the Word	Feria
Wed 19 th Apr	10.00am	Service of the Word	St Alphege
Thur 20th Apr	6.30pm	No Mass	Feria
Fri 21st Apr	10.00am	No mass	St Anselm
Sun 23 rd Apr	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	For the welfare of Brian Kenna Pro-populo For the welfare of Ted Mannix	Third Sunday of Easter (A)

Reflection

Jesus commands us to love, not by our own definitions of love, but by his. On this night, even as the atmosphere darkens, even as death draws near, even as Jesus foresees his own agony, he spends time caring for the most basic needs of his friends. The need for food and drink. The need for refreshment and rest. The need for touch and intimacy. When Jesus washes feet, he shows us that love doesn't have to look glamorous to be revolutionary. In fact, it's often the humblest acts of love which speak the loudest.

Jesus's last acts before his death remind us that when we fill hungry stomachs, quench parched throats, clean dirty feet, and ease people's fears, God's presence overflows and fills the spaces between us. When we move out into the world, compelled by Jesus' example to make sure that no one within our reach is hungry; no one is denied access to basic shelter, cleanliness, and health; no one is denied the nourishing gifts of bread, wine, water, soap, a towel, or a loving hand on an exhausted body; then, the world sees God.

On his knees, looking up as our dusty feet rest in his soon-to-be-pierced hands, Jesus says, "Love one another like this. Hands-on and no-holds-barred. Love until you surprise people. Love until the powerful of this world feel the threat of your love. Love until the broken of the world are healed, and the starving of the world are fed. Love until love becomes your signature, your trademark, your calling card, your identity. Love until you understand what I have done to you. Love until the world understands who I am.

Remember me, and remember this: I have made you for love. Do you know what I have done to you? What I have done for you? What I long to do with and through you?" (Debie Thomas, Into the Mess and Other Jesus Stories).

Easter thanks

Thank you to everyone who does so much work over the week and especially at Holy Week and Easter to make our Church loved and welcoming. The list is getting longer: cleaners, choir, catechists, counters, coffee mornings, Eucharistic ministers, those who welcome, sacristan and sacristy team, florists, servers, school governors, ecumenical reps, readers, finance committee. A wonderful addition this year is our Easter Garden. Wishing you and loved ones the happiest of times. God bless you now and always, Mgr.

Our organist this week is Jerome Green who has brought some young folk from Catford selling candles at £3 each to raise funds for World Youth Day.

Lenten alms

Our Lenten alms for The Church in Myanmar, and to support refugees from Myanmar in The Good Shepherd Sisters School, Phuket raised £932 - thank you.

Pope Francis' prayer intentions for April 2023

We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

St Osmund's school Easter Garden

During Lent, the Faith Council and Eco Council created our school Easter Garden. This garden is full of natural life such as daffodils and rocks (from the St Osmund's School playground), and shows the story of the resurrection of Jesus and our faith and understanding of eternal life.

Earth Day Weekend, Sat 22 April

St. Osmund's Green Team ask us all to pray that the Earth Day Weekend achieves its goals and makes a meaningful contribution to this vital and urgent cause. See the links on the Greenpeace and other websites if you would like to know more or join the demonstration.

Dates for your diary:

First Holy Communion: Sat 10 and 17 June.
Confirmation: Sat 1 July, 6pm, Bishop Philip Moger
Please pray for our candidates.

Prayers for the Coronation of King Charles III

The Coronation of King Charles III will be celebrated by countries across the globe in a historic Service led by the Archbishop of Canterbury. Daily prayers are available online:
www.churchofengland.org/coronation

Richard Harries autobiography – book launch

The Shaping of a soul – a life taken by surprise.
St Mary's Church Barnes, SW13 9HL, on Tues 18 April, 8pm, followed by book sales and signing.
Tickets £15 from Barnes Bookshop.
and www.ticketsource.co.uk/stmarybarn

The Men's Group

Our next meeting is on Thurs 20 April, 8.15 for 8.30pm in the St Edward's Room, over the river at Our Lady of Grace and St Edward, Chiswick High Road (enter via passageway to right of church). Men of all ages are very welcome to join us for a talk by Andrew Hogan on "St Thomas More: Nothing Can Come Except What God Wills", followed by drinks at The Lamb pub. Email Stephen Donnelly at donnellysm@hotmail.com for details, or just turn up. We are a supportive fraternal group affiliated to www.catholicman.uk

Vacancy: Head Teacher, St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Primary School

St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Primary School, Mortlake wish to appoint a new Head Teacher from Sept 2023. Closing date: Wed 26 April, 12pm. For more details see: <https://www.eteach.com> or <https://www.st-marymagdalens.richmond.sch.uk>

Teaching and Leading in Catholic Schools

Are you a Catholic teacher and/or middle or senior leader in a community school or academy, and interested in taking up a role in Catholic education? The Archdiocese of Southwark Education Commission would like to invite you to a twilight session which will include opportunities to meet current leaders and the education team and find out about Catholic schools and the application process. This event will be held on Thurs 27 April, 6:30-8:30pm at Amigo Hall, Lambeth Road SE1 6HR. If you have any queries please contact Sharon Docherty, RE Team Leader and Professional Learning Manager sharondocherty@rcaos.org.uk. To register go to: <https://www.rcaoseducation.org.uk/teaching-in-and-leading-catholic-schools/>

Foodbank

The Foodbank is currently short of tinned items such as meat, chicken stew, rice pudding, custard and long life milk.

Sick List

For the sick and the suffering, especially 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: Raphael Galvin, Nicholas Windsor, Cheryl Cain, Janette de Santis, Michael O'Neill, Rosemary Taylor, Adrian Gale and David Allen.

Regina Caeli

Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia; quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia; resurrexit sicut dixit, alleluia; ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.