



# 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.

## Services for Christmas and the New Year

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
<b>Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec</b>	<b>10-11am</b>	<b>Confessions</b>	Feria
<b>Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass	Oscar Chevallier and Andrzej Kedzierski RIP Ellen Mary Moran RIP	<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent (B)</b>
<b>Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	6.30pm Mass 11.30pm Mass	(Carols from 11pm)	<b>First Mass of Christmas Midnight Mass of the Nativity</b>
<b>Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass	Pro-populo Fr Anthony Logan RIP	<b>Christmas Day</b>
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00am Mass		St Stephen
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00am Mass	Justine Estaphanos RIP	St John
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00am Mass	Caitlin O'Keefe RIP	The Holy Innocents
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00am Mass	Patrick O'Neill RIP	St Thomas of Canterbury
Sun 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	Pro-populo Holy Souls Brian McDonnell RIP	The Holy Family
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan	10.00am Mass	Charles and Jean McGarvey RIP	Mary, Mother of God
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	10.00am	Service of the Word	St Basil and St Gregory
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	10.00am Mass	Phil Phillips RIP	The Holy Name of Jesus
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10.00am Mass	Grace Noonan RIP	Feria
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10.00am Mass	Holy Souls	Feria
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	Pro-populo Fr Anthony Logan RIP	The Epiphany

We wish everyone a Blessed Christmas  
and a Happy New Year!



Weekday Masses from Christmas until the Epiphany (7 Jan) are at 10am each day with a Service of the Word on 2 Jan. The Parish Office will be closed over Christmas and New Year, re-opening on Wed 3 Jan 2024.

**Thanks to you**

A huge thank you to one and all for all you do, especially at Christmas to support the parish and your commitment, to the choir and servers, collectors, counters, catechists, children's' liturgists, sacristans, florists, readers, ministers, cleaners, Green group, coffee-makers and helpers. Thank you above all for your smiles. Wishing you and your families a very blessed and happy Christmas with every blessing for the New Year. Monsignor

**Churches Together in Barnes**

Annual Ecumenical Service, Churches Together in Barnes Sun 21 Jan, 4 pm at St Michael and All Angel, 39 Elm Bank Gardens. Join our neighbours and friends in celebrating our common baptism.

**Pray for Peace**

Continue to pray fervently for a ceasefire in the Holy Land, and a lasting peace with justice for all who live there – for an end to the killing, wounding, and trauma of innocents, and the terrible and unnecessary destruction of people's homes and livelihoods. As Pope Francis said recently: "no to weapons, yes to peace." Pray also for peace in Ukraine, and an end to Russia's war: for all who have died, been injured, or are bereaved; for Ukrainian refugees here and across Europe. Pray for Peace in the many troubled places across our world including: Afghanistan, Armenia and Azerbaijan, Cameroun, Chad, China, Colombia, Ethiopia, Hong Kong, Mali, Myanmar, Nigeria, Russia, Sudan, Syria, Thailand, Yemen.... and many other places where the innocent are caught up in the violent power struggles of others. And for Christians facing persecution in so many parts of the world especially in India, Pakistan and Nigeria, and countries of the Far East.

Amidst the rubble and ruins, a poignant voice rises to declare that the light of hope will persist in the small West Bank town where the Christmas story unfolded. Youstina Safar, a resident of Bethlehem and a student at Bethlehem University, has collaborated with the London-based band Ooberfuse to deliver a powerful message through their Christmas song, "Hear Angels Cry." The song resonates with the belief that hope for a better future, born in the hearts of humanity, remains resilient in the face of aggression. (Watch on Youtube now: <https://bit.ly/418x6lF> Stream on Spotify: <https://spoti.fi/46JOQVo> Buy on Amazon: <https://amzn.to/3GuduPo> Stream on Apple Music: <https://apple.co/46lk9jk>)

**Retrouvaille: Do you need help in your marriage?**

Retrouvaille has helped many couples find new hope, nourishment and growth in their marriages. If you want to uncover or reawaken the love, trust and commitment that brought you together and work through difficult times in your marriage, contact Retrouvaille confidentially for more information about our 2024 programmes. There is no group therapy or group work. Our next programme commences with a Virtual weekend on 8 - 11 Feb 2024 or there is a Face to Face weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 14-16 June 2024. Call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443, email [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com) - or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention Dec 2023**

For persons with disabilities. We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

**From the Chair of Finance**

Thank you for all of your support and generosity over this past year. Just a reminder, that priests do not receive a salary and rely on the collection taken at Christmas and Easter for their annual income. Donations can be done via the collection bucket at Christmas Mass, bank transfer with "Christmas Donation" as the reference, the electronic portals in the back of the church or via the parish website. Thank you.

**Sick List**

For the sick and the suffering especially Vincenzo Dallaglio Janos Nemeth, Andrew Brodrick-Ward, Joan Moore, David Hoyland, Susan Kelsey, 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: Caitlin O'Keeffe, Kevin Keating, Justine Estaphanos, George Noonan, Victor Robbins, Fr Frank Ryan, John Browne, Thomas Whittaker, Grace Noonan, Esther Maddicks, John Arthur Pollard and Winifred Phillips.

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**Alma Redemptóris Mater**

*Alma Redemptóris Mater, quæ pérvia cæli  
Porta manes, et stella maris, succúrre cadénti,  
Súrgere qui curat pópulo: tu quæ genuísti,  
Natúra miránte, tuum sanctum Genitórem  
Virgo prius ac postérius, Gabriélis ab ore  
Sumens illud Ave, peccatórum miserére.*