



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.

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Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sun 10 th Mar	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	Joan and Arthur Lewis RIP James Sacré and Catherine Sacré-Eassie Frank Comerford RIP	Fourth Sunday of Lent (B)
Mon 11 th Mar	10.00am Mass	For the welfare of Grace Wharton	Feria
Tue 12th Mar	10.00am	NO SERVICE OF THE WORD	Feria
Wed 13 th Mar	10.00am Mass	Sarah Hughes RIP	Feria
Thur 14 th Mar	6.30pm Mass		Feria
Fri 15 th Mar	10.00am Mass	Catherine Mary Walker RIP	Feria
Sun 17 th Mar	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	Welfare of Yvonne Kenna Jane Robertson RIP Pro-populo	Fifth Sunday of Lent (B)

Reflection

Today we celebrate 'Mother's Day' or 'Mothering Sunday', a joyful Celebration of Motherhood... the gift of having a mother and knowing her love; and to remember Grandmothers - who can hold family memories and traditions for us; and also adoptive mothers...foster mothers...stepmothers... godmothers ...there are many ways of Mothering, many ways of showing a mother's love, of nurturing - we honour them, God blesses them.

But today we hold also in our hearts those for whom Motherhood has not been joyful; perhaps memories of their own mothers are unhappy, unhealed... those whose dreams of motherhood were not fulfilled...or whose children died... are estranged. May they be all healed in the warm light of God's love.

(The following prayer offered to our 'Mothering God' is by Fran Pratt)

Next week whilst work on the heating refurbishment continues, there will be weekday Masses on Mon, Wed and Fri only at 10am in the Presbytery and on Thursday at 6.30pm in the Church.

NO Service of the Word on Tuesday.

Stations of the Cross will take place on Sundays during Lent at 5pm.

Prayer for Peace

Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop of Westminster and President of the Bishops' Conference, has echoed Pope Francis' urgent appeal for a lasting ceasefire in the Holy Land. He calls for the release of all hostages, for humanitarian aid to be allowed through to help those most in need in Gaza, and for hospitals, schools and places of worship to be protected. As we enter the season of Lent, Cardinal Nichols has renewed his call for a day of prayer for peace on 8 March: "In this Diocese of Westminster I have called for a special time of prayer on 8 March, as a vital part of our observance of Lent. I invite others to take up this call, too." Can we pray especially on that day for peace in the Holy Land.

Young Adult Events

St George's Cathedral hosts a monthly Young Adult Mass at 6pm on the first Sunday of every month, followed by a social gathering (for those aged 18+). There are also weekly events and socials on Thursday evenings. Details can be found on the RCAOS website, Facebook, and Instagram @stgeorgesya.

Flame 2025

Flame is the largest Catholic youth event in the UK, featuring guest speakers, award-winning musicians, praise and worship, Eucharistic Adoration, and much more! The event is open to those from school year 9 to university age. The Archdiocese has purchased a block booking. Group Leaders from schools, parishes, and universities can book at www.tinyurl.com/flame25

Food Bank Appeal

Despite the ongoing support, the foodbank currently faces a shortage of various essential non-perishable items, especially crucial during these colder months, and the Foodbank seeks the assistance of the residents of Barnes during this period. The following non-perishable items are urgently needed: long-life or tinned meats, fish, pasta sauces, fruits, custard/rice pudding, soups, vegetables, potatoes (tinned or instant), tea, coffee, fruit, nut butters, jams, honey, UHT fruit juice, UHT Milk and cooking oil. Additionally, all toiletries such as shampoo, shower gel, soap, toothpaste, and deodorants are greatly appreciated.

St Osmund's Interfaith Pilgrimage

Join us on Monday 6 May for the inaugural St Osmund's Interfaith pilgrimage. We'll be meeting with local Sikhs, Jews and Buddhists to pray with and for each other. Starting at 2pm at Merton Gurdwara for refreshments, prayers and a talk. We will then move on to the Buddhapadipa Temple in Wimbledon via Wimbledon Synagogue, on foot, or by car for those less able to complete the 55 min walk. All are welcome including and especially children and dogs. Please save the date. More information to follow soon.

The Men's Group

Men of all ages are very welcome to join us for our next meeting on Thurs 21 March, 8.15 for 8.30pm in the St Edward's Room, over the river at Our Lady of Grace and St Edward, on Chiswick High Road (enter via passageway to the right of the church). We will watch a video from Divine Renovation UK "Thriving or Closing: Where is your parish going?" followed by a social drink at The Lamb pub. Email Stephen Donnelly for details: (donnellysm@hotmail.com) or just turn up.

Archdiocese of Southwark's Annual marriage Mass at St George's Cathedral

The mass will take place on 13 July at 3pm. Couples celebrating a special anniversary – one, 10, 25, 40, 50 or 60 or more years – and wishing to receive a personal invitation from Archbishop John, should email: (mflsw@rcaos.org.uk)

Confirmation 2024

Confirmation takes place this year on Sunday 7 July at 10.30am. Application forms for those who wish to receive the Sacrament will be available shortly.

Sick List

For the sick and the suffering especially Beth McKiernan, Catherine Bithrey, Vincenzo Dallaglio, John Nemeth, Andrew Brodrick-Ward, Joan Moore, Susan Kelsey, Maureen Carr, Eddie Henshaw, Charles Stiller, Serge Moussalli and Bridget Jabour.

In Remembrance

For those who have died recently especially Edward Larham and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: John Codrington, Maggie Danby, 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.*