



The Catholic Church of St Osmund, Barnes

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Mass Times

Sundays: 8.30am, 10.30am, 6.30pm

Weekdays: 10am Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri,
Thurs (6.30pm), Sat (**Latin**) 10am

Confessions: Friday 9-9.50am, Sunday 9:45am –

10:15am & 6pm - 6:20pm

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament: Fri 9-10am

Baptisms and Weddings: Contact the Parish Office.

Third Sunday of Easter (C)

Sunday, 4 May 2025

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| Date | Time | Intention | Feast |
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| Sun 4 th May | 8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass | Jennie Cooke RIP Gillian Seymour RIP Sue Cuss RIP | Third Sunday of Easter (C) |
| Mon 5 th May | 10.00am Mass | Pro-populo | Feria |
| Tues 6 th May | 10.00am Mass | For the donor's intentions | St John Paine |
| Wed 7 th May | 10.00am Mass | For the donor's intentions | Feria |
| Thur 8 th May | 6.30pm Mass | For the donor's intentions | Feria |
| Fri 9 th May | 10.00am Mass | Holy Souls | Feria |
| Sat 10 th May | 8.00pm Mass | Fr Anthony Logan RIP | St John de Avila |
| Sun 11 th May | 8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass | Pro-populo For the donor's intentions Ellen Webber RIP | Fourth Sunday of Easter (C) |

Reflection

In the hush that follows bereavement, the soul often seeks refuge in what is known. So too, in this Sunday's Gospel, we find the disciples returning to the lake, to the nets, to a world before their calling had unraveled. And yet, the night yields no catch. The emptiness of their efforts mirrors the unspoken ache of absence—the kind that lingers when leadership has been lost, and the future remains veiled. Then, at dawn, a voice from the shore: *"Children, have you no fish?"* What follows is not simply a miracle of abundance, but a quiet reclaiming of purpose. In the breaking of bread by the fire, and in the call that follows, we are given a portrait of renewal.

This is not only a narrative of resurrection but a drama of recommissioning. Three times Peter had denied Christ by another fire. Now, three times, he is asked: *"Do you love me?"* With each reply, love is not merely affirmed but entrusted with responsibility. *'Feed my lambs. Tend my sheep. Feed my sheep.'* The task is clear, yet far from easy. Christ does not hide the cost; to follow him is to allow love to lead us where we would not choose to go.

For the Church, still in mourning after the death of the Holy Father, this passage offers more than comfort. It offers a standard. As the College of Cardinals prepares to gather in conclave beginning Wednesday this week, the words of Christ to

Peter stand not as a nostalgic memory of papal foundation, but as a living criterion. Leadership in the Church is not about control, charisma, or legacy. It is about the courage to love, the humility to be restored, and the readiness to serve even unto death. The next pope, whoever he may be, will not inherit a throne but a basin and a towel, a fire of coals, and a question: *"Do you love me?"*

But this Gospel is not solely about Peter or popes. It is about every disciple who has known failure and is yet called again. The risen Christ stands ever on the shore, calling us from our empty boats into deeper waters. The nets of our lives, so often frayed or fruitless, are still capable of bearing great weight when cast at His word.

Second Collection – Priest Training Fund

The priesthood has always been essential to the life of the Church, from the time of Jesus until today. Good Shepherd Sunday is the day we pray for vocations, for our priests, and take up the Priest Training Fund second collection. This fund pays for the formation of men to become priests in

our Archdiocese. After their ordination, our priests dedicate their lives to serving Christ and His people in our parishes, hospitals, schools, chaplaincies, prisons and in service to the needy, throughout South London, Kent and Surrey. We are blessed to have 9 men in formation to the Priesthood for our Archdiocese. However, it costs £30,000 a year to sponsor each seminarian. They study for 6 years before being ordained a Catholic priest.

We therefore rely on your generous support and prayers. Please support our priests of the future with a gift today.

Thank you!

- Donate Online: www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/PTF
- Telephone weekdays 9 am – 5 pm: 020 7960 2504
- Cash / Cheque – please use the Priest Training Fund envelopes at the back of church.

Archdiocesan Jubilee Celebration Day Sat 7 June

This pilgrimage marking the Jubilee Year, will be held at The Friars, Aylesford Priory, Kent, led by the Archbishop. It will be the principal event of the 2025 Jubilee within the Archdiocese, and will be a spiritually enriching day of prayer, reflection, and celebration for both children and adults. We intend to arrange a coach to take parishioners to and from Aylesford Priory. If you can help to organize this transport please speak to Father Ola.

The Vineyard Community Centre & Richmond Foodbank

A vacancy has arisen for a part-time Assistant Manager working 21-28hrs pw who is a Christian. If you sense a calling for this role, or know someone who might be interested, please see their website for more details: <https://www.vineyardcommunity.org/>

Celebrate Festival

A Catholic festival for all the family, 16-20 August at Worth School, West Sussex. Join CELEBRATE in the beautiful Sussex countryside for a relaxed faith filled festival situated around our big top! Worth School, West Sussex:

- Inspirational Speakers
- Great groups for Children and Young People, Masses and worship.
- Spend time in Worth's beautiful Abbey and also have the opportunity to receive prayer.

See <https://www.celebratetrust.org/festival> for more information.

Sick List

For the sick and the suffering especially Sharon Evans, Janet Waddington, James and Audrey Smith, Teresa Cockburn, Andrew Brodrick-Ward, Joan Moore, Susan Kelsey, Maureen Carr, Eddie Henshaw, Charles Stiller, and Bridget Jabour.

In Remembrance

For those who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Catriona Abel (Keen), Margaret Sharp, William O'Neill, Mark Bailey, Margaret Bailey, Margaret Roberts, Józef Raszpla and Ellen Cahillane.

Regina Caeli:

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

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