



A warm welcome to

The Catholic Church of St Osmund in Barnes

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MASS INTENTIONS & FEASTS

SUNDAY 28th June

Sts Peter and Paul (A) (r)

8:30am Sergio and family's intentions

10:30am Mary Alison RIP

6:30pm Pro-populo

MONDAY 29th June

Feria (g)

Maureen McDonnell RIP

TUESDAY 30th June

The First Martyrs of Holy Roman Church (r)

For Baby Benedict

WEDNESDAY 1st July

St Oliver Plunket (r)

Holy Souls

THURSDAY 2nd July

Feria (g)

Holy Souls

FRIDAY 3rd July

St Thomas, Apostle (r)

Holy Souls

SATURDAY 4th July

St Elizabeth of Portugal (w)

Holy Souls

SUNDAY 5th July

Fourteenth Sunday (A) (g)

8:30am Natalie Dorodnova
Na RIP birthday
remembrance

10:30am Pro-populo

6:30pm Elizabeth Magner
RIP

(r) red (g) green (w) white (p) purple

A word from the presbytery...

On the old Appian Way, just outside the walls of Rome, there is a small church called Domine Quo Vadis. It stands near the place where, according to an ancient Christian tradition, Peter met the Lord while leaving Rome during persecution. Peter asked, "Lord, where are you going?" Christ replied, "I am going to Rome to be crucified again." The story may belong to the language of holy memory rather than to the archive of provable history, yet it tells the truth of Peter's vocation with extraordinary force. The same road which could have carried him away from danger became the road by which he returned to love.

This gives us one clear way into today's solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. Their greatness was not the greatness of untouched heroes. Peter knew fear, failure, and tears. Peter knew opposition, imprisonment, and the loneliness of chains. Yet both men allowed Christ to take possession of the direction of their lives. Courage, in them, was not a natural hardness. It was the grace to turn back towards Christ when every instinct of self-preservation pointed elsewhere.

There is a beautiful providence in the Roman memory of these two apostles. Paul also came towards Rome along the Appian Way. In the Acts of the Apostles, the Christians of Rome came out to meet him at the Forum of Appius and the Three Taverns.

He entered the city as a prisoner, yet the Gospel entered with him as a free power. Peter, in the old legend, tried to leave the city and returned. Paul came in chains and preached. Two different journeys, one same surrender.

This is why the Church joins them in one solemnity. Peter shows us faith humbled and strengthened by mercy. Paul shows us zeal purified by suffering and given wholly to mission. Neither man belonged to himself by the end. Their martyrdom was not the tragic interruption of successful lives. It was the final shape of lives already given away.

The feast asks something clear of us. Every Christian life has its Appian Way: a road on which we decide whether we shall preserve ourselves or follow Christ. Most of us will not face martyrdom in blood. Yet we are still asked for courage: courage to remain faithful when faith is inconvenient, courage to speak truth without cruelty, courage to love the Church with realism and hope, courage to let Christ redirect us. Peter and Paul still stand at the gates of Rome, teaching us that the road of fear can become the road of holiness when Christ is met upon it.



PARISH NOTICES

Supervising Children during Parish Gatherings

The safety of our children is of the utmost importance, particularly at our social events. This is a gentle reminder to every responsible adult, and not parents alone, to keep a watchful eye on the little ones during our times of fellowship. Children have been climbing on walls and hanging from the ramp railing, loosening some of the brickwork, and there is further danger from vehicles entering and leaving the car park. Supervising the young to avoid accidents is a responsibility we all share.

Parish BBQ Party in the Presbytery Garden

After the 10.30am Mass today, Sunday 28 June, the whole parish family will gather with invited families and friends in the Presbytery garden for our Parish BBQ Party. This will be a joyful opportunity to celebrate all those who have received the Sacraments of Initiation in the parish this year, from Easter and April through to as recently as last week. We are deeply grateful to all those who have worked generously and quietly in the background to organise this gathering on our behalf. We hope it will be a wonderful occasion of thanksgiving, friendship, and joyful celebration together as a parish community.

Exploration of the Gospel of Luke

Our evening sessions exploring the Gospel of Luke continue, offering an opportunity to delve more deeply into the interpretation and application of the Scriptures we hear at Mass. Next Monday will be our 5th session. If you have not yet joined us yet, do come next Monday at 6:30pm in the Hall; it will greatly enrich your understanding of the faith.



NEWS FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE & BEYOND

Summer Mass Schedule Directive

The Archbishop has directed that every parish should observe a reduced schedule of Mass during the summer holidays, when many parishioners are naturally away. Accordingly, from Sunday 26 July to Sunday 30 August we shall celebrate two Sunday Masses rather than three, at 10:30am and 6:30pm. The 8:30am Mass will be suspended until it resumes on Sunday 6 September.

Can you help with our Parish Youth Club?

As we have announced in recent weeks, our Youth Club project continues, and it is our hope and prayer that we shall launch it this autumn. A number of you have already indicated your willingness to help coordinate the venture, for which we are most grateful. If anyone feels able to assist in any way, please speak with the Parish Priest. Alternatively, do come along to our first training session for leaders on Tuesday 30 June at 7pm in the Church Hall.

World Youth Day 2027 - 1 to 9 August 2027

Join Archbishop John and the Southwark Catholic Youth Service on pilgrimage to Seoul, South Korea, from 1 to 9 August 2027. The pilgrimage is open to young adults aged 18 to 35. The full package costs £3,270, or £1,870 for admission without flights. A deposit of £400 is due by Monday 29 June. Book here.

Pilgrimage of Reparation, Walsingham, 1 Aug

All invited to join the Pilgrimage of Reparation and Prayer for the Sanctity of Life at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. Starting with the 12pm Angelus/ Pilgrim Mass, then followed by Adoration, Stations of the Cross, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Litany of Life, Benediction, the Sorrowful Mysteries, and a silent Act of Reparation, concluding with the Salve Regina. For information, visit (prolifepilgrimage.org).



PARISH DIARY

Come & Explore the Gospel of St Luke:

Monday 29 June: 6:30pm - 7:45pm (Hall)

Mothers' Prayers Group:

Tues 30 June, 10:30am (Presbytery)

Training session - Parish Youth Club Leaders:

Tuesday 30 June at 7pm (Hall)

Next Book Club:

Wed 1 July 7pm (Presbytery) - We will be discussing the book '*There Are Rivers In The Sky*' - (Elif Shafak)

Next Children's Mass:

Sunday 12 July: 10:30am

St Osmund's Reading Club

We are just finishing our fourth book of the year, *There Are Rivers in the Sky* by Elif Shafak. We shall be discussing this award-winning epic on Wednesday 1 July at 7pm in the Priest's House, 79 Castelnau. You are most welcome to join us as we choose our next book and fix the date of our next meeting.

Barnes Fair 2026

This year the Barnes Fair will take place on Saturday 11 July and our parish school and church will return with our popular stall selling handmade items, Margaret's wonderful jam, lemonade, lavender bags and more! Thank you to the Williams Family for making our 'Lucky Ducks' family game. We can't run the stall without volunteers so please bring a friend and volunteer an hour of your time to help make our stall a success this year. Handmade items please.

The PTFA can be contacted at Stosmundsptfa@live.co.uk



PRAYER LIST

For those parishioners who are unwell, especially:

Audrey Smith

Andrew Brodrick-Ward

Phyllis O'Kelly

Janet Waddington

David Stabb

John Scott

Joan Moore

Charles Stiller

Maureen Carr



IN REMEMBRANCE

For those who have died recently especially Mary Alison, and those whose anniversaries occur around this time:

Len Cunningham

Michael Scanlon

Rosetta Hoadley

Norman Harrison

Edna Durie



USEFUL INFORMATION

Tea, coffee and cake!

Join us in the Church Hall every Sunday after the 10:30am Mass. Donations welcome.

Car parking

Limited car parking is available at the back of the church.

Recycling

Parish recycling is co-ordinated by the Green Team. Please contact the parish office if you would like to get involved.

Food bank collections

Items for our local food bank can be placed in the container in the Narthex.

Homemade jam and marmalade

Made by one of parishioners, these are available to purchase in the Narthex. Cash or contactless payments welcome.

Sunday Mass Times

8:30am, 10:30am, 6:30pm

Weekday Mass Times

Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri 10:00am

Thurs 6:30pm

Sat (Latin) 10:00am

Confessions

Fri 9:00-9:50am

Sun 9:45-10:15am & 6:00-6:20pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Fri 9:00-10:00am

For baptisms, weddings and Mass intentions, please contact the Parish Office



SALVE REGINA

Salve Regina, mater misericordiae, vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra salve. Ad te clamamus, exules filii Evae. Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes, in hac lacrimarum valle. Eia ergo, advocate nostra, illos tuos misericordes oculos, ad nos converte. Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui, nobis post hoc exsiliium ostende. O Clemens, o pia, o dulcis virgo Maria.



THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION

June: For the values of sports

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.



PARISH GIVING

Thank you for supporting St Osmund's. Your generosity helps maintain our church and sustain parish life.

Full details on all ways to give, including standing orders and Give As You Live (donations when you shop online) can be found on our website or by using the QR code below.

If you are eligible, please consider Gift Aid, which increases your donation by 25% at no extra cost.

Contactless payments: We have several payment portals in the Narthex for easy, instant donations.

BANK DETAILS

Account name:

Barnes St Osmund Main Account

Sort code: 60-01-39

Account number: 11311096

Reference: Surname/Donation Purpose



SECOND COLLECTION

Second Collection coming up

Stella Maris is seeking one volunteer from this parish please to help with Sea Sunday (which falls on 11/12 July this year) in this parish. This is the day when the Church comes together to pray for seafarers, fishers and their families, and takes a second collection to support the work of Stella Maris. The volunteer will read out the appeal (which Stella Maris will provide) at the end of Masses that weekend. If you can kindly do this, please contact roland.hayes@stellamarismail.org

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