



# 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.

## Thirty-Second Sunday (C)

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Sunday 9 November 2025

Sun 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	Andrzej Kedzierski RIP Patricia Jordan RIP For a positive outcome to the COP 25 Meetings	(w) The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.00am Mass	Robertson family intentions	(w) St Leo the Great
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.00am Mass	Holy Souls	(w) St Martin of Tours
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.00am Mass	Holy Souls	(r) St Josaphat
Thur 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	6.30pm Mass	For the intentions of the Staff and Residents of Viera Gray	(w) St Frances Xavier Cabrini
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.00am Mass	Holy Souls	(g) Feria
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.00am Mass	Eamonn Ted Kenna RIP	(w) St Albert the Great
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass 6.30pm Mass	Harold Messel RIP Gerald Keen RIP Barbara Billings RIP	(g) Thirty-Third Sunday (C)

### Remembrance and Dedication

There are certain days in the year when memory takes on a stillness of its own. Remembrance Sunday is such a day. In the quiet of our homes and churches, we pause to honour those who gave their lives in wars past and those who continue to serve where peace remains fragile. Their courage arose not from ambition but from a deep conviction that some things - justice, freedom, the safety of others - are worth the ultimate price. The silence we keep is heavy with meaning: it carries gratitude, grief, and the hope that we might yet find gentler ways.

Today's liturgy offers another kind of remembrance. The Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica seems, at first glance, a rather different commemoration. Yet it too speaks of what endures. In the Gospel, Jesus speaks of his body as the true temple, and Saint Paul

reminds us that each person is a temple of the Holy Spirit. The great basilica in Rome, ancient and venerable though it is, becomes merely a sign pointing towards something more intimate - the dwelling of God within human life itself.

This thought draws remembrance and dedication together in quiet harmony. Every life offered in conflict reminds us of what human beings are capable of when they act for something beyond themselves. The temple of stone tells us that faith seeks a home; the temple of the body reveals that God seeks one too. The same mystery runs through both - the fragile, costly hope that goodness can dwell in human hearts, even when the world seems determined to extinguish it.

Perhaps remembrance is not only about looking back, nor

dedication merely about preserving the past. Both invite us to look inward, to those places where peace either begins or falters. What kind of dwelling does God find within us? What memories are we building into the fabric of our own lives? Are we temples that shelter others, or merely monuments to our own concerns?

The answer to such questions is not given in today's readings, nor can it be spoken in a moment of silence. It can only be discovered slowly, in the choices we make after the remembering is done - in whether we become, like those we honour, living temples where the Spirit of peace might truly dwell.

## Today's Second Collection - Archbishop's Appeal

Our 2nd collection this weekend is for the support of the Archbishop's Appeal funding key areas of ministry: Youth and Evangelisation, Our Faith in Action (Caritas) and Clergy Care and Formation, throughout South London and Kent. To find out more see: ([www.rcaos.org.uk/archbishops-appeal](http://www.rcaos.org.uk/archbishops-appeal)) Envelopes are in the Narthex.

## Archdiocesan Merit Award

We are delighted to announce that Mia Gibbons and Camille Roberson-Cole have been awarded the **Archdiocesan Merit Honour**, Fideliter Servienti, by Archbishop John Wilson in recognition of their long and faithful service to the parish and community. The medals will be presented at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on **Sunday, 23 November**, by Monsignor Canon James Cronin on behalf of the Archbishop, who is unable to attend. After the Mass, light refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall, and all are warmly invited. We warmly congratulate Mia and Camille on this well-deserved honour.

## First Holy Communion Preparation Programme 2026

Preparation for First Holy Communion for children aged eight or above (School Year 3 or above) will begin with a Mass of Initiation on Sunday, 14 December 2025, welcoming the children into the programme. Catechetical sessions will commence in January 2026 concluding with the FHC Mass. Parents are invited to register their children using the online link or QR code provided, and are asked to attend an important meeting on **Thursday, 4 December 2025 at 7:00pm** in the church hall (after the 6:30pm Mass). At this meeting, parents will receive essential information about the programme structure, session dates, and their role in supporting their child's sacramental preparation. For further enquiries, please contact the parish office.



## Confirmation

If your child is in Year 8 or above and would like to take part in the Confirmation Preparation Programme 2026, please complete the registration form by scanning the QR code. Please note, we will host a Parent's Information meeting on **Sun, 30 November after 6:30pm Mass**.



## Holy Souls Masses in November

The Book of Remembrance is in the Narthex for parishioners to inscribe the names of their departed loved ones, who will be remembered at all Masses throughout November. Envelopes are available for those who wish to include names together with Mass offerings. Please return these to the Parish Office.

## Adult Faith Exploration and Formation Programme

This Programme is for those considering joining the Catholic Church or those wishing to deepen their understanding of the Faith and starts on Mon 1 Dec, from 7-8:30pm. Sign-up sheets are at the back of the Church.

## Prayers for COP 25 meetings - Mon 10 Nov

The annual climate change conference starts next week. We pray for meaningful outcomes for our suffering planet. Our parish has an active Green Team supporting the parish with green initiatives.

## Sick List

For the sick and the suffering especially Paddy Grafton-Green, James and Audrey Smith, Phyllis O'Kelly, John Scott, Janet Waddington, 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 all those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Patrick Rice, Fergus O'Kelly, Susan Sardell, Eamonn Ted Kenna, Diana Thompson, Christine Wylde, Jane O'Neill, Henry Worthington and Paul Parletti.

## 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 exsilium ostende. O Clemens, o pia, o dulcis virgo Maria.*

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You can also set-up a one-off donation or stipend online directly from your bank. Use the following details and include your surname and type of donation in the reference field. (ie Surname/Mass Intention, Surname/FHC, Surname/General Donation)

**Name of Bank:** Natwest

**Sort Code:** 600139

**Account #:** 11311096

**Account Name** - Barnes St Osmund Main Account