

ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Archdiocese of Westminster

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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11th February 2018

Mass Times and Intentions:

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| SAT 10 Feb | 6.30pm | | <i>Michael Soper (Rip)</i> |
| SUN 11 | 10.00am | + 6 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | <i>John O'Brien (Rip)</i> |
| | 6.30pm | | <i>Dora Israel (Rip)</i> |
| MON 12 | 9.00am | Feria | <i>Martin & Derek Hoy (Rip)</i> |
| TUE 13 | 9.00am | Feria | <i>Joan Collen (Rip)</i> |
| WED 14 | 9.00am | ASH WEDNESDAY | <i>James Kelly</i> |
| | 7.30pm | (Day of Fast and Abstinence) | <i>Holy Souls</i> |
| THU 15 | 9.00am | Lent Feria | <i>Therese & Hannah (Ints)</i> |
| FRI 16 | 6.30pm | Lent Feria | <i>Mary Condon (Rip)</i> |
| SAT 17 | 6.30pm | | <i>People of the Parish</i> |
| SUN 18 | 10.00am | + 1 st SUNDAY OF LENT | <i>Private Intention</i> |
| | 6.30pm | | <i>Michael & Mary Reidy</i> |

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 6.00pm

(Confession): Sunday 6.00pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Sunday 5.45-6.15pm

(with Benediction): Monday 9.30-10.00am

Stations of the Cross: Friday 7.00pm

Rosary: Saturday 6.00pm

Parish Priest: Fr Andrew Connick
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(Day Off: Friday)

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PARISH OFFICE:

Closed this Week for Half Term

Parish Secretary: Lucy Knights
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'A WARM WELCOME TO ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH'

Please pray for the sick in the parish, especially: Canon Digby Samuels, Frances Hansell, Bridie McGuinness, Monica Ryan, Chrissie Long, Eileen Gallagher, Kate McCarthy, Fraser McDonald, Sabrina Pillai, Dan McAlinden, Mary Wallace, Kathleen Kitto, Dolly Beaumont, Ravindhra Kumar, Maureen & Dennis Franey.

Weekly Offertory (Loose & Envelopes) £634.91 Standing Orders (weekly) £462.30

FR ANDREW WRITES:

Lent begins this week with our celebration of Ash Wednesday. Yes, it coincides with Valentines' Day. I am sure you will find it possible to treat your loved one and also observe fast and abstinence for the Lord.

Maybe you have that Catholic anxiety already about what to give up for Lent this year, but whatever you decide, remember to balance all three pillars of Lent:

Prayer – Choose a way to increase your prayer life. No time in prayer is ever wasted, so whether you choose to read the Bible daily, or pray the Rosary, or come to daily Mass and Stations of the Cross on Fridays, or increase your time of meditation, the spiritual reward at the end of these forty days will be worth it.

Almsgiving – By charitable giving we make the needs of others our own, and try to forget about ourselves. The more our almsgiving costs us, the more we grow to be like Christ the Lord. At Mass we'll hear from Cardinal Vincent about the Cardinal's Appeal, one possible recipient of our generosity.

Fasting – This is not an encouragement to diet or detox! Whatever we choose to give up should help us to remember that material goods and pleasures are always secondary to spiritual good. Our fasting also helps us to find solidarity with our brothers and sisters who are poor.

Let's do our best this Lent to refocus on those things that really matter in life.

This Sunday, 11th February, is also the 150th anniversary of the first apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Saint Bernadette in Lourdes. In the Cathedral on Saturday, thousands of sick people gathered to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. Let's remember today especially those who are sick, and ask for the prayers and comfort of Our Lady of Lourdes for them.

Blessings on the week to come, Fr Andrew.

NOTICES

Ash Wednesday, 14th February, marks the beginning of the season of Lent. It is a day of fast and abstinence. Mass and imposition of ashes at 9am and 7.30pm.

Stations of the Cross, Fridays 7pm, throughout Lent and beginning this Friday, 16th February.

Adele Schirinzi, Parish Safeguarding Representative – Adele has taken over from Arianna Sommariva, and will introduce herself at Masses this weekend. On behalf of the whole parish, our thanks to Arianna for her service to our parish in this very important role over the last few years.

Congratulations to Rev. George Stephen Thayriam SJ, ordained to the diaconate on Saturday, and who belongs to the Jesuit community here in Wapping.

‘The Life of Christ’ at Wintershall, Saturday 23rd June – Watch as hundreds of actors bring the story of Jesus to life in an open-air epic production set in the stunning Surrey countryside. We are going as a parish by coach, please come and join us. Tickets and coach travel: Adults £35, OAP £33, children (3-18yrs) £25. The prices may be cheaper depending on numbers, but definitely no more. In cases of hardship, please speak to Fr Andrew. There is a little walking involved. You can book your tickets after Masses this weekend, or from the Parish Office. Find out more: www.wintershall-estate.com/life-christ

Church Cleaning – Please sign up to join one of the four teams for church cleaning after Masses this weekend. This is your parish and your church. Please help us to take care of it.

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible – Still some room in the group meeting **Thursdays 10am**, beginning 15th February. Please see Fr Andrew. Over eight weeks we will see how the Bible fits together, where it comes from in the history of Israel, and identify some of the themes that run through it.

Margaret Knibbs RIP – Funeral Mass Monday 26th February, 11am, followed by committal at St Patrick’s Cemetery, Leytonstone. May she rest in peace.

Sick and Housebound Parishioners – If you know of any parishioners who are now unable to come to Mass, please let Fr Andrew know so he can arrange to visit them and organise for them to receive Holy Communion on a regular basis.

The Memorial Book, on St Joseph’s altar, will contain a page for each funeral we celebrate here in Wapping. If you would like to add a loved one who died in our parish, please send a photograph, and dates of birth and death, to the Parish Office.

GIFT AID: If you are a UK taxpayer, we can claim an extra 25p for every £1 you give. If every eligible parishioner registered, we would receive an **extra £6000 a year**, at no extra cost to you. To register for Gift Aid, please contact the Parish Office. If you have any questions, please email Jamie Monehen: j.monehen@btopenworld.com

REGULAR EVENTS

Carmelite Prayer Group – Meeting Monday 19th February, 7.30pm, in the sacristy. All welcome.

Tuesday Morning Tea/Coffee – All welcome to join Fr Andrew for tea and coffee after Mass on Tuesday morning.

Bingo for the Over 50’s – Next Bingo 20th February.

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‘Taking Back Control – Illusion of Autonomy’, Tuesday 8th March, 7.30pm, by Fr Pat Reardon SJ, the last in the series of talks about ‘A Post-Truth World’.

DIOCESAN EVENTS

Caritas Kingsland Saturday Club, for people with learning difficulties and additional needs, and their families. Third Sunday of each month at the church hall of Our Lady and St Joseph, 100a Balls Pond Road, London N1 4AG. Next meeting 17th February, 1-3pm. For more information contact Gerald McEnery 07989 895257.

Annual Mass for Bereaved Parents, Saturday 10th March, 2.30pm, Westminster Cathedral. Parents will be invited to write the names of their deceased children on a card which will be taken up with the offertory. All are welcome.

Cardinal’s Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony, Saturday 19th May 2018, 3pm, Westminster Cathedral – The Cardinal will be inviting to this Mass all couples in the diocese who are celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2018. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give your details to Lucy or Fr Andrew.

In light of the Data Protection Act 1998, **please indicate on entering hospital** that you are a Roman Catholic, would like your details to be passed to the Chaplaincy, and would like the Roman Catholic Chaplain to visit you.

GIVE TO ST PATRICK'S BY TEXT: TEXT **PARISH STPAT** TO 70800 TO GIVE £5 AUTOMATICALLY. THIS AMOUNT WILL BE ADDED TO YOUR PHONE BILL. AN EASY WAY TO TOP-UP YOUR OFFERING, OR TO GIVE IF YOU'RE VISITING OR HAVE NO CASH. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Getting Married? – Six months' notice is required for marriage. If you live in Wapping but are planning to marry elsewhere, even in your home country, you need to see Fr Andrew at least six months beforehand. This is very important!

Interested in Catholic Faith – If you not a Catholic but interested in finding out more about Catholic faith, please get in touch with Fr Andrew directly.