

ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Archdiocese of Westminster

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SAT 12 Jan	6.30pm		Mr Adekunte (RIP)
SUN 13	10.00am	+ THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	People of the Parish
	6.30pm		Tommy Griffin (Ints)
MON 14	10.00am	Feria, First Week of Year I	Jac van Leuven (RIP)
TUE 15	10.00am	Feria	Holy Souls
WED 16	10.00am	Feria	Kathleen Malone (Ints)
THU 17	6.30pm	St Anthony, Abbot	Ann Marie & Kathleen (Ints)
FRI 18	6.30pm	Feria	Paris Family (Ints)
SAT 19	10.00am	Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Holy Souls
	6.30pm		People of the Parish
SUN 20	10.00am	+ 2 nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Andrea, Andras & Jonah (Ints)
	6.30pm		Private Intention (Ints)

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 6.00pm

(Confession): Sunday 6.00pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
(with Benediction): Sunday 5.45-6.15pm

Rosary: Saturday 6pm

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

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PARISH OFFICE:

Mon, Tue & Fri, 10am-2pm

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FR ANDREW WRITES:

The Baptism of the Lord

The Lord Jesus began his public ministry after insisting that St John the Baptist baptise him in the river Jordan. In doing so, he instituted the Sacrament of Baptism as the gateway to the spiritual life and the means of incorporation into his Mystical Body. I thought I would answer some basic, practical questions about Baptism.

What is needed for Baptism? The essential rite of Baptism consists in immersing the candidate in water, or pouring water on the head, while saying: *I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit*. It does not need to be holy water.

Who can baptise? The ordinary minister of baptism is a bishop, priest or deacon. However, in an emergency anyone, even a non-baptised person or non-believer, can baptise, as long as they use water and say the words above and intend what the Church does when she baptises.

What should I do if a person is dying? If an unbaptised adult has expressed a desire for baptism, or any child who is not baptised, and they are in danger of death, you should baptise them yourself with water and the words above. Afterwards, you should tell the priest that you have baptised, so it can be recorded and he can complete the rite.

When should children be baptised? Christian parents have an obligation to see that their children are baptised as soon as possible after birth. Unless there is a danger of death, at least one parent must consent to baptism. The priest should only agree to baptise when there is a reasonable hope that the child will be raised in faith.

Can a person be baptised again? No, baptism incorporates a person into Christ. No sin can erase the mark left by Baptism. As such, Baptism is never repeated.

Do we recognise Baptism in the Christian denominations? Yes, for the vast majority, as long as it was celebrated with water and the words above. It is not repeated if a person then becomes a Catholic. However, some Christian communities do not baptise with water, and some use other words such as "in the name of Jesus". In those cases, Baptism must be celebrated when that person becomes a Catholic.

I hope you enjoyed your celebration of Christmas and New Year. Welcome back to those who have been away. Blessings on the week ahead, Fr Andrew.

'A WARM WELCOME TO ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH'

Please pray for the sick in the parish, including: Frances Hansell, Bridie McGuinness, Kate McCarthy, Fraser McDonald, Sabrina Pillai, Dan McAlinden, Ravindhra Kumar, Maureen & Dennis Franey.

Weekly Offertory (Loose & Envelopes) £506.71 Standing Orders (weekly) £1483

NOTICES

Certificates of Catholic Practice – required for applications to Catholic schools for a place in Nursery or Reception in September 2019. If anyone missed out, please make contact with Fr Andrew directly. The Tower Hamlets deadline for primary admissions is 15th January, and for nursery admissions 17th February.

REGULAR EVENTS

Lectio Divina Prayer Group – Monday 21st January, 7.30pm, in the sacristy, and concluding with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Church Cleaning – Next church cleaning, Saturday 19th January, 10.30am, Beryl's team. Please come and help if you can.

Tuesday Morning Tea/Coffee – Please come and join Fr Andrew after 9am Mass.

Bingo for the Over 50's – Next bingo Tuesday 22nd January.

200 Club – Winning numbers for the January draw. Winners have been notified.

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HURTADO JESUIT CENTRE

2 Chandler Street, E1W 2QT hurtadocentre.org.uk

'New year resolutions may be forgotten – but there is still time to think about our lives as Christians', Saturday Reflection Morning, 26th January, 10am-12noon, with Fr Brian McClorry SJ. Coffee and pastries, time to pray and reflect. Suggested donation £5. Everyone welcome.

DIOCESAN EVENTS

Thanksgiving Mass for Consecrated Life, 2nd February, 11am, Westminster Cathedral, at which the Cardinal and Bishops are very pleased to celebrate and give thanks for the spiritual and apostolic work of the men and women Religious in the diocese.

'Church in China: Hope for the future?', Saturday 2nd February, 10am-4pm, St Aloysius Parish Hall, Somers Town. Organised by Cultural Exchange with China (CEC). The day will include a thanksgiving Mass celebrated by Bishop Paul McAleenan, a look at 2019 and the final AGM by CEC Director Fr Eamonn O'Brien, and a look at the Vatican-China agreement by Fr Jeroom Heyndricx CICM. Admission is free and lunch is provided. Donations on the day to cover costs.

Annual Mass in Honour of Our Lady of Lourdes, Saturday 9th February, 2pm, Westminster Cathedral. The Sacrament of the Sick will be administered during Mass. All are welcome to attend. A special invitation is extended to all who are sick or infirm, all hospital chaplains, doctors, nurses, healthcare assistants and all who work in healthcare. If you or someone you know plan to attend in a wheelchair, please let the Parish Office know by Sunday 27th January.

Permanent Diaconate Come and See – Meetings for men wanting to know more about the permanent diaconate. Vaughan House, Victoria, Saturday 2nd March, 10am to 12noon. No booking needed. Wives welcome. More information: Deacon Adrian Cullen 07961 594725 or Deacon Anthony Clark 07545 373548.

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. For more information contact Gerald McEnery 07989 895257.

Calix Society for Recovering Alcoholics – The Calix Society offers a Catholic ministry to alcoholics in recovery by deepening or rediscovering their faith and sharing the healing mercy of God. Meetings are held every Thursday at the Calix Centre, Church of Our Lady, 54 Lodge Road, NW8 8LA. For details:

www.calixsociety.org.uk | 07762 570361 | calixsjw@btinternet.com

REGULAR NOTICES

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.

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 Working for the Church? – The Diocese of Westminster advertises job vacancies for parishes and central services online: rcdow.org.uk/diocese/jobs/

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.

Foodbank – At the back of church is a box for donations to Bow Foodbank. Foodbanks provide boxes of food to people who would otherwise go hungry for a range of reasons, from benefit delays to receiving an unexpected bill on a low income. We collect donations for Bow Foodbank (non-perishable items only): cereal, soup, pasta, rice, tinned food, lentils, beans, tea/coffee, biscuits, UHT milk, fruit juice, toiletries and hygiene products. Why not pick up something extra each week in your shopping and leave it in the box at the back of church when you come to Mass? Thank you!

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

GIVE TO ST PATRICK’S BY TEXT: Text **PARISH STPAT** to **70800** to give £5. This amount will be added to your phone bill. An easy way to top-up your offering, or to give if you are visiting or have no cash. Thank you for your generosity!

If you are ever in **hospital**, please indicate to staff that you are a Roman Catholic and would like your details to be passed to the Chaplaincy and Roman Catholic Chaplain.

MASS INTENTIONS: To arrange for Mass to be offered for a particular intention (birthday intentions, marriage, healing in sickness, healing of family, recently deceased or anniversary of death, etc.) please use the small envelopes at the back of church, or contact the Parish Office. The usual donation for Mass is £10. Mark as “Private Intention” if you do not want the name published in the newsletter.

Help needed – Please consider supporting our parish, and serving your brothers and sisters in Christ, in one of these ways:

- Helping with tea and coffee after Sunday 10am Mass (on a rota).
- Church cleaning (one hour a month).
- Helping with the children’s liturgy at Sunday 10am Mass (on a rota).

Please speak to Fr Andrew or email him or the Parish Office if you are able to help.