

ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (Year C)

9th January 2022

SAT 8 Jan	6.30pm		Mel McNally RIP
SUN 9	10.00am 	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	Private Intention
	6.30pm		Catherine Harvey, Anna & Eugeniusz Czepczyński, Jenny & Bob Minns
MON 10	10.00am 	Feria, First Week of Year II	Joanna Jones RIP
TUE 11	10.00am 	Feria	Peter Belcourt RIP
WED 12	No Mass	Feria	
THU 13	6.30pm 	Feria	Charles & Martin McHale RIP
FRI 14	6.30pm 	Feria	Sadie Troy (Ints)
SAT 15	10.00am 	Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday	Kathleen Malone (B'day Ints)
	6.30pm		Private Intention
SUN 16	10.00am 	2 nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Anne-Marie & Kathleen (B'day Ints)
	6.30pm		William & Kathleen Aldridge RIP

Masses marked  are livestreamed on YouTube: www.youtube.com/rcwapping

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): After every Mass, and by appointment.

Church Open for Individual Prayer: Daily 7.00am-8.30pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday-Friday 7.30-8.30pm

Rosary: Friday 7.00pm



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FR ANDREW WRITES:

The Baptism of the Lord

Today's feast marks the end of the season of Christmas and the beginning of Ordinary Time, in which we journey through the public ministry of the Lord Jesus. That means his teaching, his parables and miracles. This year, we will read systematically through the Gospel of Luke.

The public ministry of Jesus began with his baptism by his cousin, St John the Baptist, in the River Jordan, when Jesus was 30 years old. The whole period of his childhood, adolescence and early adulthood we refer to as "the hidden years" as we know nothing about them from the Scriptures. 30 was a significant age in ancient Israel: the age that a priest began his public ministry.

When Jesus was baptised in the Jordan, he instituted the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. This Sacrament is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons and daughters of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission.

Baptism in danger of death

Ordinarily, baptism is celebrated by a bishop, priest or deacon in a parish church. However, in danger of death, anyone can baptise, anywhere. It is important to know this in case you find yourself in a tragic situation in which there is no time to call for a priest. This might be for a new-born infant, a child not yet baptised, or for an unbaptised adult. In the case of an unbaptised adult, they should have expressed a desire for baptism. This only applies to the unbaptised. Baptism is not to be repeated.

How do you baptise?

To baptise validly, you must pour water (not necessarily blessed, but real, natural water) on the head of the person three times while saying:

N., I baptise you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

What to do afterwards

Afterwards, whether the person baptised lives or dies, you should inform the local parish priest of the Baptism. He will record the sacrament in the parish register. If the person survives, he will arrange to celebrate the additional rites with them.

With my prayers and best wishes for you all, Fr Andrew.

PARISH NOTICES

Epiphany Chalk – If you missed out on the Epiphany chalk, blessed at Mass last Thursday, there is some still in the church either by the crib (if it is still up), or with the newsletters. You can use this to mark your front doors and bless your home for the year ahead. Please see last Sunday's newsletter for the details.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every weekday, 7.30-8.30pm. Please come and spend some time in the Eucharistic Presence of Jesus.

Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life – Every Catholic should ask the Lord what he asks of them for their life. If you wonder if the Lord is calling you to priesthood or consecrated life, please speak with Fr Andrew and he can help you to discern. The Church needs vocations. Please pray earnestly to the Lord that he will raise up new, holy priests and religious, including from our own parish.

200 Club – Thank you to those who have signed up for the 200 Club again this year. Winners for the first four months have been drawn, and Jo will contact them in the coming week. Any questions about the 200 Club, please contact Jo in the Parish Office.

Certificates of Catholic Practice for primary school admissions in September 2022. If you are at Mass over the weekend, please speak to Fr Andrew afterwards. Rest assured that there has been no obligation to attend Sunday Mass since lockdown began in March 2020, so this period will not affect your eligibility. The local authority deadline for primary school applications is 15th January and for nursery applications is 16th February. To request forms: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wapping/schools/ccp/>

REGULAR NOTICES

Please pray for the sick in the parish, including: Beatrice Bourke, Kate McCarthy, Fraser McDonald, Sabrina Pillai, Maureen & Dennis Franey.

Church Cleaning, Saturday 15th January, 8.30am (Lindsey's Team) – Please do come and help to clean the church if you can.

Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation – Resumes on Monday 17th January, 6.30pm, on Zoom. Members should have received an email from Fr Andrew.

Faith and Life Group – Meets to pray, connect and explore different topics and questions in the rhythm of everyday Christian life. Mainly for those in their 20s and 30s. More information about resuming sessions next weekend.

Rosary Group – Meets in church, Fridays 7.00pm; also daily Rosary at home via WhatsApp. Prayer for the intentions of the Church, parish and all parishioners.

RCIA – Next session Thursday 13th January, 7.30pm, meeting on Zoom.

Bingo for the Over 50s – Next bingo Tuesday 11th January, 12.30pm, Parish Centre.

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

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

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!

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!

SUPPORTING THE PARISH

Bank Transfer/Standing Order (One-off donations or regular standing order):

Account Name: **WRCDT Wapping** Sort Code: **40-05-20** Account Number: **21255339**

Reference: **Surname and First Initial** (optionally the purpose of the donation)

Online (Credit/Debit Card or PayPal): parish.rcdow.org.uk/wapping/donate/

Gift Aid – If you are a UK taxpayer, please register for Gift Aid.

The parish can claim an additional 25p for every £1 given, at no cost to you. Register by emailing giftaid@rcdow.org.uk

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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.