St Patrick's Catholic Church

Parish of Wapping, Archdiocese of Westminster

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EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

27th February 2022

SAT 26 Feb	6.30pm		People of the Parish
SUN 27	10.00am ▶	8th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Fr Andrew Connick (Ints)
	6.30pm		Helen Jennings RIP (B'day)
MON 28	10.00am ▶	Feria	Private Intention
TUE 1 Mar	10.00am ▶	ST DAVID, Bishop, Patron of Wales	Michael Fernee RIP
WED 2	10.00am ▶		Private Intention
	6.30pm	**ASH WEDNESDAY**	Ravi & Chriss Kumar & Kathleen Aspell RIP
THU 3	6.30pm ▶	Lent Feria	Amy Fernandez (B'day Ints)
FRI 4	6.30pm ▶	Lent Feria	Dr Ravindra Kumar RIP
SAT 5	10.00am ▶	Lent Feria	Leif McAllister Palm (B'day Ints)
	6.30pm		Ola McAllister Palm (B'day Ints)
SUN 6	10.00am ▶	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	Dan McLinden RIP Anni.
	6.30pm		People of the Parish

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-8.00pm

Stations of the Cross: Friday 7.00pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Tuesday-Friday 7.00-8.00pm

Rosary: Friday 7.30pm

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Appeal of Pope Francis concerning Ukraine

"My heart aches greatly at the worsening situation in Ukraine. Despite the diplomatic efforts of the last few weeks, increasingly alarming scenarios are opening up. Like me, many people all over the world are feeling anguish and concern. Once again the peace of all is threatened by partisan interests. I would like to appeal to those with political responsibility to examine their consciences seriously before God, who is the God of peace and not of war; who is the Father of all, not just of some, who wants us to be brothers and not enemies. I pray that all the parties involved refrain from any action that would cause even more suffering to the people, destabilising coexistence between nations and bringing international law into disrepute.

"And now I would like to appeal to everyone, believers and non-believers alike. Jesus taught us that the diabolical senselessness of violence is answered with God's weapons, with prayer and fasting. I invite everyone to make next 2 March, Ash Wednesday, a Day of Fasting for Peace. I encourage believers in a special way to dedicate themselves intensely to prayer and fasting on that day. May the Queen of Peace preserve the world from the madness of war."

Pope Francis, General Audience, Wednesday 22nd February 2022

Parish Redevelopment Plans – Feedback Needed

We are approaching the end of the feasibility study stage of our parish redevelopment plans. Just a reminder that this includes:

- Church: new stone floor with efficient, environmentally-friendly underfloor heating; reordering of the sanctuary; restoration of artworks; new lighting; opening up of the narthex; a new, fully-accessible confessional; possibly a new pipe organ.
- Cloister garden: covered walkway linking the narthex ("back chapel") to the Parish Centre and Parish Office; large, cloistered garden space for quiet prayer and for parish receptions. Kitchen garden moved into the playground.
- Parish Centre: ground floor extension to provide catering kitchen and new, fully accessible toilet facilities; extra meeting rooms; independent access to the upper floors (for possible commercial let) with a lift; new efficient heating system. Possibly weekday let as a private nursery to generate income.

- Presbytery and Parish Office: reconfiguration to connect Parish Office with the new Parish Centre; provision of a two-bedroom flat for a retired priest or for commercial let.
- Five one-bedroom apartments on Dundee Street to generate income.

The plans are on display in the narthex, and we have held two parish consultation meetings, and a tour of the site last weekend. We need to demonstrate that these plans have the support of the parish community, and to collect feedback, questions and concerns.

Please complete the online questionnaire, or fill in one of the paper forms available at Masses this weekend. We need as many responses as possible:

https://rcwapping.typeform.com/plansfeedback

God bless you all. Fr Andrew.

PARISH NOTICES

Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence. We abstain from meat and eat only one modest meal and two collations (snacks!), as circumstances permit. Pope Francis asks that we make this Ash Wednesday a particular day of prayer and fasting for peace in Ukraine. Mass with the imposition of ashes will be at 10.00am and 6.30pm.

Stations of the Cross are celebrated on the Fridays in Lent at 7pm, after the evening Mass, beginning this Friday 4th March.

Lenten Liturgy – You will notice during Lent that our celebration of Mass assumes a more sombre character. There is less singing, no Gloria, no flowers in church (please don't bring any) and we refrain from singing or saying "Alleluia". Later in Lent you will see the statues veiled, too.

St Patrick's Quiz Night – We are having another one of our fun quiz nights on Friday 11th March. The quiz master, as always, will be Daniel Brennan. 7.30pm for 8.00pm start. £5 per person with a maximum of six people per team. Please register your team with Jo at the Parish Office. Drinks and snacks will be available to buy on the night, and dinner (supplied by the Town of Ramsgate) can be pre-ordered with Jo. All money raised will go towards the 150th Anniversary Fund.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, 21-29 November 2022 – Fr Andrew is joining this pilgrimage, led by our archbishop, Cardinal Nichols. The pilgrimage includes hotel accommodation in Galilee, Jerusalem and Bethlehem, travelling British Airways from Heathrow. Full board price is £1,825 per person for a double room, with a single room supplement of £529 per person. The pilgrimage supports Christians in the Holy Land who suffer exclusion and persecution. If you are interested in joining, please contact Gill Didino at Tangney Tours: 01732 886666 or reservation@tangney-tours.com. Please let us know so we can keep track of all the Wapping parishioners attending.

New Readers – We are looking for new readers for the Sunday Masses (including Saturday evening). Please speak to Fr Andrew if you think you might be able to serve our parish in this way.

St Vincent de Paul Society – We are looking for some volunteers to re-establish the SVP in our parish. The group will pray, visit and befriend the housebound, and offer practical help to those in need. If anyone has experience of the SVP, that would also be very helpful. Please email or speak to Fr Andrew.

REGULAR NOTICES

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

Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation – Monday 28th February, 6.30pm, on Zoom.

Bingo for the Over 50s – Next bingo Tuesday 8th March, 12.30pm, Parish Centre.

Church Cleaning – Saturday 5th March, 10.30am (Beryl's Team). Please do come and help to clean the church if you can.

Epic: A Journey Through Church History – Thursday 3rd March, 7.15pm, on Zoom.

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 coming soon.

First Holy Communion – First session (parents and children) Sunday 27th February, 11.30am, Parish Centre. Parents' session Monday 28th February, 7.30pm, on Zoom.

RCIA – Next session Thursday 10th March, 7.30pm, at Pollyanna, Raine House.

Rosary Group – Meets in church, Fridays 7.30pm; also daily Rosary at home via WhatsApp. Prayer for the intentions of the Church, parish and all parishioners.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony, Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 14th May 2022, 3pm – The Cardinal is inviting to this Mass all couples who are celebrating this year their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th (and every year over 60) anniversaries of Catholic marriage. For an invitation, please contact Fr Andrew with your full names, wedding date, postal address and email.

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