St Patrick's Catholic Church

Parish of Wapping, Archdiocese of Westminster

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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

30th October 2022

SAT 29 Oct	6.30pm		Brian Keeley RIP
SUN 30	10.00am ▶	+ 31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	People of the Parish
	6.30pm		Ravi & Chriss Kumar RIP
MON 31	*No Mass*	Feria	
TUE 1 Nov	10.00am ▶	**+ ALL SAINTS**	Scott Thomas Collinson (Ints)
	6.30pm		Lee Cason Doss (Ints)
WED 2	10.00am ▶	THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (All Souls' Day)	Frank and Aida Brassett and Cosmas O'Hanekwu RIP
	6.30pm		Dora Israel RIP
THU 3	6.30pm ▶	St Winifride, Virgin	David Reid RIP
FRI 4	6.30pm ▶	St Charles Borromeo, Bishop	Matthew & Michelle (Anni.)
SAT 5	10.00am ▶	Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday	Ravi & Chriss Kumar RIP
	6.30pm		Biddy Sullivan RIP (B'day)
SUN 6	10.00am ▶	+ 32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	William John Cooper RIP
	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

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

Rosary: Friday 7.00pm

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www.facebook.com /rcwapping

www.twitter.com @rcwapping

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FR ANDREW WRITES:

"Allhallowtide"

In the past, the beginning of November was known as "Allhallowtide" because of the three celebrations remembering the dead: All Hallows' Eve (Halloween, 31st October), All Hallows (All Saints, 1st November) and All Souls (2nd November).

All Hallows' Eve: This was first celebrated in the seventh century, as a preparation for the feast of All Saints (or "All Hallows"). Churches often displayed the bones and other relics of saints on Halloween for public veneration. There were other customs, too. In England, children begged door-to-door for "soul cakes", promising to pray for the donors' departed loved ones in purgatory. That is the origin of "trick or treating".

Halloween is a Christian celebration, although now corrupted by a glorification of evil and elements of the occult. There is no historical connection between Halloween and the Gaelic, pagan festival of Samhain: that connection was first mooted by Protestant Reformers in their anti-Catholic rhetoric in the 16th century, and has no basis in fact.

All Saints: A saint is a soul in heaven, someone who died in grace and friendship with God, purified of any sin. They enjoy the glorious vision of God, face to face, for ever. The company of saints is drawn from every time and nation and state of life. It includes famous popes and martyrs, but also innumerable others who lived quiet lives and whose names are not known to history. There are bound to be saints, unknown to us, from our own families. On All Saints, we honour our glorious brothers and sisters, known and unknown, and we ask for God's grace to find our own path to holiness.

All Souls: Wednesday is All Souls' Day. Having venerated the saints, we turn to those who died in God's friendship, but not perfectly purified of sin. Most of us, after death, will need to undergo purification to achieve the perfect holiness that eluded us in this life. We call these souls "holy" because they are assured of heaven, yet they still need our prayers and the help of the Church on earth to achieve that goal. The Mass is the greatest way we can help those who have died. Please remember to complete a sheet with the names of your departed loved ones.

A blessed "Allhallowtide" to you all, Fr Andrew.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

November: Children Who Suffer. We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

PARISH NOTICES

- **Monday: No 10am Mass** – Fr Andrew on day off.
- **Tuesday (All Saints): 10am and 6.30pm** – All Saints is a holyday of obligation.
- **Wednesday (All Souls): 10am and 6.30pm**.

November Book of the Dead – Please take a sheet and fill in the names of your departed loved ones, so they can be included in the intention at Mass each day in November. You can return your list, together with an offering for Mass if you wish, at any time during November.

Holy Land, 21st to 29th November 2022 – Very late notice, but two places have become available on our pilgrimage to the Holy Land in a few weeks' time. This is the diocesan pilgrimage to the Holy Land led by Cardinal Nichols. Fr Andrew and 15 parishioners are attending. If interested, please speak to Fr Andrew ASAP.

Funeral of the late Maureen Davies (née Pope) RIP, Tuesday 15th November, 10am. Please pray for the happy repose of her soul and for the Lord's comfort for her family.

Next Weekend: Retiring Collection for the Sick and Retired Priests' Fund – There are more than 80 sick and retired priests supported by the Fund, and this number is set to double by 2025. Parish priests must offer their resignations at 75, though many continue to serve as long as they are able. They are dependent on the diocese for their care, including for housing and health needs. Please support the collection next weekend. There are Gift Aid envelopes available at the back of church, to be returned next weekend. There will be details for donating online next weekend, too.

Foodbank – The season of Advent begins on 27th November. Once again, we invite parishioners to donate items to the Bow Foodbank through a reverse Advent calendar scheme. Towards the middle of November, we will hand out tote bags after the Masses. Each week we will invite you to add to your bag some essential the Foodbank needs. We will then collect the bags the weekend before Christmas and deliver the items for distribution to those living in food poverty in our local area.

Wapping Posada – The Posada is a popular pre-Christmas devotion in Latin America. Each evening from 1st to 23rd December, we are inviting parishioners to welcome Mary, Joseph and the donkey into their homes. The last family on the list will be responsible for bringing the figures back to church for the Christmas Eve Vigil Mass. We are looking for a volunteer who would be willing to oversee this. If you are interested, please see Lucy in the parish office or email: lucyknights@rcdow.org.uk

Interested in Catholic Faith or Adult Confirmation – This is for anyone who wants to know about Catholic faith (especially if you are not a Catholic already), and for adult Catholics who missed out on the Sacrament of Confirmation for any reason. We will arrange a group to meet fortnightly. Please register your interest:

https://rcwapping.typeform.com/wrcia

English Martyrs Primary School Tours – Every Friday 4th November - 13th January 2023, 9.30-11.00am, for admissions in September 2023. You do not need an appointment and can join any of the dates. Unfortunately, there are too many applicants for the school to offer individual appointments.

St Mark Street E1 8DJ | 020 7709 0182 | enquiries@englishmartyrs.towerhamlets.sch.uk

REGULAR NOTICES

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

And for the recently departed, including: Maureen Davies.

Bingo for the Over 50s – Next bingo Tuesday 1st November, 12.30pm, Parish Centre.

Church Cleaning – Saturday 5th November, 11.00am (Caroline's team). Please do come and help to clean the church if you can.

Epic: A Journey Through Church History – Next session: Thursday 3rd November, session 10, Crusaders and Scholars III.

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.

Men's Group – Friday evenings, 7pm. Service to the parish and community, a place of welcome and mutual support. For more information, please contact Marc-Henri: 07728 248806.

Rosary Group – Meets in church, Fridays 7pm; also daily Rosary at home via WhatsApp. Prayer for the intentions of the Church, parish and all parishioners.

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



REGULAR NOTICES

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!

https://www.bowfoodbank.org/give-food/

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!

Men's Group – We are starting a new Men's Group in the parish, meeting on Friday evenings, 7pm, to be of service to the parish and community, a place of welcome, and for friendship and mutual support in living the Christian faith as a man. For more information, please contact Marc-Henri: 07728 248806 or email the Parish Office.

Catholic Listeners Telephone Helpline – Catholic Listeners is a new confidential listening helpline, set up for those who are returning to the faith. Although not a counselling service, they have a professional team trained on signposting to other services and agencies. They aim to help those in need of a safe space to talk:

0800 448 0704

Financial Resilience and Cost of Living – Some resources to support those struggling with the increased cost of living:

- **Cost of Living Hub** (Mayor of London): https://www.london.gov.uk/cost-living-hub
- **Energy debts:** https://fuelpovertyresource.org.uk/focus-on/fuel-debt-and-trust-funds/
- **National Energy Action:** Warm and Safe Homes helpline 0800 304 7159
- **Green Doctors London:** Energy advice https://london.greendoctors.org.uk

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

St Joseph's Hospice is the only Catholic hospice in Greater London, available to this parish and everyone across East and North London regardless of background. It serves our community through in-patient care of the terminally ill, Day Hospice for out-patient care and home visits. It is an independent charity run by the Religious Sisters of Charity. For more information: 020 8525 6035 www.stjh.org.uk

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.

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

The St Katharine and Wapping Safer Neighbourhood Ward Panel has a website: www.skw-wardpanel.org. It contains information and links for reporting anti-social behaviour to Tower Hamlets and the Police, information about Streetlink for reporting rough sleepers, and local news and upcoming events. We also recommend that Wapping residents register for OWL ('Online Watch Link'), to stay updated with local security advice and information and incident reports: www.owl.co.uk. As a local community, it is good for us to be connected together and to look out for each other.