St Patrick's Catholic Church

Parish of Wapping, Archdiocese of Westminster

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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A)

15th January 2023

SAT 14 Jan	6.30pm		Lawrence Family (Sickness)
SUN 15	10.00am	+ 2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Ann Marie and Kathleen (Ints)
	6.30pm		People of the Parish
MON 16	10.00am	Feria	Jac van Leuven RIP Anni.
TUE 17	10.00am	St Anthony, Abbot	Dr Ravindra Kumar RIP Anni.
WED 18	*No Mass*	Feria	
THU 19	6.30pm	Feria	Diego Prandina & Remo Bardi RIP
FRI 20	6.30pm	Feria	Vera & Alessandro Bardi RIP
SAT 21	10.00am	St Agnes, Virgin & Martyr	Julian Higgins RIP
	6.30pm		Dr Ravindra Kumar RIP Anni.
SUN 22	10.00am	+ 3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (OF THE WORD OF GOD)	Maria Pasterny RIP Anni.
	6.30pm		Deceased Members of the Crowley Family 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-8.00pm

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

Evening Prayer: Tuesday-Thursday 7.00pm

Rosary: Friday 7.00pm

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FR ANDREW WRITES:

This Weekend: Peace Sunday

This is Peace Sunday. We are asked to keep this as a day of prayer for world peace. Message from the Archbishop of Liverpool, the Most Rev. Malcolm McMahon:

"2022 has been a year of war and rumours of war. Lives lost, people displaced, fear and suspicion overwhelming many communities around the world. These wars are also contributing to the destruction of our environment. Sometimes it feels as though we have moved backwards in our efforts to bring peace and justice to our world.

However, the constant, faithful voice of Pope Francis urges us to keep going. Whether he is speaking about Ukraine and Russia, Yemen or the Middle East, his message is always the same: No to war and no to the trade in weapons that fuel war. His All Saints Angelus message offers these questions: 'Brothers and sisters, let us look within and ask ourselves: are we peacemakers? In the places where we live, study and work, do we bring tension, words that hurt, chatter that poisons, controversy that divides? Or do we open up the way to peace?'"

O God of peace, who are peace itself
and whom a spirit of discord cannot grasp, nor a violent mind receive,
grant that those who are one in heart may persevere in what is good
and that those in conflict may forget evil and so be healed. Amen.

Pope Francis's message for World Peace Day is entitled "No one can be saved alone". You can read it online:

https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/peace/documents/20221208-messaggio-56giornatamondiale-pace2023.html

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (18th-25th January)

Each year, the Church devotes a special octave of prayer for the healing of the divisions between Christians. Christ Jesus founded one Church, the fullness of which is found in the Catholic Church, and we pray for the grace of healing and conversion to restore visible bonds of communion between all disciples of Jesus Christ. We will pray for Christian unity each day after weekday Mass.

Lord Jesus Christ, at the Last Supper you prayed to the Father that we should be one. Send your Holy Spirit upon all who bear your name and seek to serve you. Strengthen our faith in you and lead us to love one another in humility. May we who have been reborn in one baptism be united in one faith under one Shepherd. Amen.

Next Weekend: Sunday of the Word of God

Finally, next Sunday, the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, is called the "Sunday of the Word of God". It is devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Scriptures. More on that next week.

To mark this celebration, please bring your Bibles with you to Mass next Sunday. We will ask for God to bless them (again) and ask for grace to hear him speaking to us through his Sacred Word.

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

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

January: For educators. We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

PARISH NOTICES

Sunday Tea and Coffee – Tea and coffee will resume this Sunday after the 10am Mass in the Parish Centre. Please come and spend some time together after Mass.

Tuesday Bingo Postponed – With our apologies, bingo on Tuesday will be postponed until next week, 24th January.

New Altar Servers – We really need more altar servers! Ideally both adults and children. Servers add a dignity to improve our celebration of the liturgy and are a great help to the priest. There is grace, too, for those who participate so closely in the celebration of the Mass and offer this service to the parish. There is an opportunity for some training for new servers on Sunday 22nd January after the 10am Mass. Please speak to Fr Andrew or email him.

Church Cleaning – We still need help with the church cleaning teams. It means about an hour on a Saturday morning once every three weeks. Please speak to one of the stewards if you are willing to help. Thank you.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Each evening Tuesday-Friday, 7-8pm. Spend some time in the Eucharistic Presence of Jesus.

Evening Prayer, Tuesday-Thursday, 7pm – We will pray Evening Prayer ("Vespers") on Tuesdays-Thursdays at 7pm, at the beginning of the Holy Hour. It is a great way to sanctify the day, and only takes 15 minutes. Please join us.

Certificates of Catholic Practice for primary school and nursery admissions in September 2022. Please complete this online form to request the Certificate of Catholic Practice (and other similar references) required for school admissions.

https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wapping/ccp/

REGULAR EVENTS

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

Bingo for the Over 50s – Next bingo **Tuesday 24th January**, 12.30pm, Parish Centre. Please accept our apologies for postponing bingo this week.

Church Cleaning – Saturday 21st January, 10.30am (Beryl's team). Please do come and help to clean the church if you can.

Epic: A Journey Through Church History – Next session: Thursday 19th January, session 15, Catholic Reformation I.

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:

1. **Cost of Living Hub** (Mayor of London): https://www.london.gov.uk/cost-living-hub
2. **Energy debts:** https://fuelpovertyresource.org.uk/focus-on/fuel-debt-and-trust-funds/
3. **National Energy Action:** Warm and Safe Homes helpline 0800 304 7159
4. **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.