St Patrick's Catholic Church

Parish of Wapping, Archdiocese of Westminster

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (Year A)

2nd April 2023

SAT 1 Apr	6.30pm		People of the Parish
SUN 2	10.00am	**+ PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**	Anselm Lawrence RIP
	6.30pm		Thomas & Sarah Sullivan RIP
MON 3	10.00am	MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK	Private Intention
TUE 4	10.00am	TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK	Marvic Garcia Encarnacion RIP
WED 5	*No Mass*	WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK	
		The Sacred Paschal Triduum	
THU 6	**6.30pm**	**Evening Mass of the Lords' Supper**	Ravi & Chriss Kumar, & Kathleen Aspell RIP
FRI 7	**3.00pm**	**The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord**	
	6.30pm	Stations of the Cross	
SAT 8	**8.00pm**	**The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night**	The Kumar Family (Ints)
SUN 9	10.00am	**EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**	People of the Parish
	~~6.30pm~~	*No Evening Mass on Easter Sunday*	

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-Wednesday 7.00-8.00pm

Morning Prayer: Mon-Fri 7.00am **Evening Prayer:** Tue-Wed 7.00pm

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FR ANDREW WRITES:

The Sacred Paschal Triduum

This is Holy Week, the most important of the year. During Holy Week, the Church recalls the suffering and death of Jesus Christ and celebrates the startling revelation of his Resurrection from the dead.

The culmination of Holy Week is three days of intense prayer and worship. These three celebrations are really a single liturgy encompassing the whole mystery at the heart of our faith:

- The **Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper** (Maundy Thursday, **6.30pm**) at which we commemorate the gift of the Blessed Eucharist, the means given to us by Christ of participating still today in his saving death on the Cross.
- The **Celebration of the Passion** (Good Friday, **3.00pm**) at which we mourn the death of the Lord Jesus, but also celebrate it as the fulfilment of the Incarnation and the source of our salvation.
- The **Easter Vigil in the Holy Night** (Holy Saturday, **8.00pm**) at which the Church remembers the joyous and startling revelation of Christ's resurrection from the dead, and the promise of our eternal salvation in him.

These three celebrations are referred to together as the "Sacred Paschal Triduum". They make the greatest sense when celebrated together. Our preparations throughout Lent are not simply about self-improvement and detachment from sin and worldly addictions, but a preparation for this great act of worship. I encourage you to celebrate together our salvation in Jesus Christ.

Please note there is Mass at 10.00am on Easter Sunday, <u>but no 6.30pm Mass</u>.

If you are going away for the Easter holidays, I wish you and your families the blessings of this holy time. Please join in with the celebrations in the parish local to you.

May the Lord bless this Holy Week, Fr Andrew.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

April: For a non-violent culture. Let us pray for a more widespread culture of non-violence, that will progress when countries and citizens alike resort less and less to the use of arms.

PARISH NOTICES

Silence after Palm Sunday Mass – One of the ways we mark the beginning of Holy Week is to finish the Palm Sunday Mass in silence. You are asked to respect the solemnity of this time by departing the church as quietly as possible after Mass.

Chrism Mass, Tuesday 4th April, 12noon, Westminster Cathedral – The priests of the diocese gather with Cardinal Nichols and the auxiliary bishops to bless the new holy oils to be used for the sacraments in the coming year, and renew their ordination promises. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Flowers for Easter – The flower team need some help with preparing the flowers for Easter on Good Friday morning, 10am. No experience required! Meeting in church.

Good Friday, Stations of the Cross, 6.30pm, in addition to the 3.00pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord.

Preparations for Easter, Saturday 8th April, 10.30am – There is lots to do to prepare and decorate the church for Easter, and we need help next Saturday, 10.30am. With enough volunteers, it will take an hour at the most. Please come and help if you can.

Altar Servers for Holy Week – Inviting all altar servers to serve during the Holy Week and Easter liturgies, to mark this greatest week in the Church's year with solemnity. Please let Fr Andrew know if your children are planning to serve.

Easter Offering – Thank you in advance for your Easter offerings. The offerings at Christmas and Easter make up Fr Andrew's salary for the year. There are donation envelopes at the back of church, just write "Easter Offering" and place in the collection or drop at the Presbytery (Dundee Street).

Divine Mercy Sunday, 16th April, 2.30-3.30pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Divine Mercy devotions, with Confession available throughout.

Planned Giving Drive – For those who wish to begin or change their financial offering to the parish, there are forms available at the back of church. You can also contact Lucy, the Parish Secretary, for more information: lucyknights@rcdow.org.uk

Planned Giving Envelopes – If you currently donate to the parish by envelope, please collect your envelopes for the new financial year from the stewards this weekend.

Raffle – Tickets are on sale again this weekend for our Easter raffle, at the end of Sunday Masses. Proceeds will go towards our refurbishment fund. With thanks to Phyllis for organising it.

200 Club – March draw: 1st prize 26, 2nd prize 55, 3rd prize 21, 4th prize 22. All winners have been notified.

Interested in Catholic faith? The Christian Discovery Group – A gentle introduction to the Creed: the basic statement of Catholic Christian faith. For anyone interested in exploring and better understanding Catholic faith, including for those with no Christian background. Meetings on Thursdays, 7.30pm, in the Presbytery. Please register your interest: https://rcwapping.typeform.com/wrcia

REGULAR NOTICES

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

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

Church Cleaning – Saturday 8th April, 8am (Michelle and Naomi's team). Please do come and help to clean the church if you can.

Christian Discovery Group, for those interested in learning more about Catholic faith – next session Thursday 13th April, 7.30pm, in the Presbytery.

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.

Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother – Monday 3rd April, 7pm, session 6: The Wedding at Cana.

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.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

World Youth Day, Lisbon, 25th July to 9th August - This is the last chance to join Westminster Youth Ministry for two weeks in Porto, Fatima and Lisbon to celebrate World Youth Day with Pope Francis and 2 million young people. Thanks to the support of the Cardinal's Appeal, the reduced cost for the pilgrimage is £1,500 inclusive of transport, accommodation, WYD Pass, insurance and some meals. There are last few places remaining at this price and applications will close on 14 April 2023. More information and booking forms:

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Love the Stranger: Presents a Catholic response to refugees and migrants, from the Bishops of England and Wales: https://www.cbcew.org.uk/love-the-stranger/

Statement on "Buffer Zones": The Bishops of England and Wales condemn Clause 10 of the new Public Order Bill because it will lead to curtailment of freedom of speech for people of faith:
https://www.cbcew.org.uk/bishop-for-life-issues-says-public-order-bill-will-disproportionately-affect-people-of-faith/

Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: The annual Pilgrimage to the Holy Land will take place from Sunday 19th November to Monday 27th November, led by Bishop John Sherrington and Fr John Farrell OP, including visits to Galilee, Jerusalem and Bethlehem. Flights will be from Heathrow Airport. Costs are £2265 per person sharing, £682 single room supplement. Booking forms are available now from Tangey Tours:
http://www.tangey-tours.com/WHL

Annual Mass for Matrimony – Celebrated by the Cardinal in Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 13th May, 2.30pm, for couples celebrating significant wedding anniversaries in 2023 – 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+. If you are celebrating one of these anniversaries, please ask Fr Andrew to arrange an invitation for you.

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

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!

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/

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.