St Patrick's Catholic Church

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THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (Year A)

11th June 2023

SAT 10 Jun	6.30pm	**+ THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (Corpus et Sanguis Christi)**	Vocations to the Priesthood
SUN 11	10.00am		Children Making FHC (Ints)
	6.30pm		People of the Parish
MON 12	10.00am	Feria	Thanksgiving for Good Priests
TUE 13	10.00am	St Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor	Private Intention
WED 14	*No Mass*	Feria	
THU 15	6.30pm	Feria	Fred Armison (Thanksgiving)
FRI 16	6.30pm	**THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS**	Orla McKenna (Thanksgiving)
SAT 17	10.00am	The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Private Intention
	6.30pm		Frank Game RIP B'day
SUN 18	10.00am	+ 11th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	People of the Parish
	6.30pm		Dr Ravindra Kumar 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

The Rosary: Friday 7.00pm

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

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FR ANDREW WRITES:

Corpus Christi

This Sunday, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, better known by its Latin name, *Corpus et Sanguis Christi* (or just *Corpus Christi*). The feast celebrates the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist: that the substance of the bread and wine offered at Mass truly becomes his Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity.

In 1263, Fr Peter of Prague made a pilgrimage to Rome and stopped in Bolsena to celebrate Mass. He suffered from doubts about whether Jesus is truly present in the Eucharistic bread and wine. When he recited the prayer of consecration at Mass, blood seeped from the consecrated host onto the corporal and altar.

Fr Peter reported the miracle to Pope Urban IV in nearby Orvieto. The pope sent delegates to investigate and ordered that the host and blood-stained corporal be brought to Orvieto. They remain on display in the Cathedral in Orvieto to this day. Pope Urban IV instituted the feast of Corpus Christi in 1264, a year after the Eucharistic miracle in Bolsena.

After 10am Mass this Sunday, weather permitting, we will mark the feast by a Corpus Christi procession and conclude with Benediction in the school playground. Please join in. The procession expresses publicly our belief that Jesus is truly present in the Blessed Eucharist. It is a public act of adoration and an opportunity to express physically what we desire spiritually: to walk with him as his disciples.

At the same Mass, appropriately, some children in the parish will receive their first Holy Communion. Please pray for them as their souls are united fully, for the first time, with our Lord Jesus Christ.

Some advance notice that I am away for my summer break and annual retreat from Monday 26th June until Monday 24th July. Fr Chris Clohessy, who was here last summer, will come again to supply. Please let me know if you need anything from me before I go away.

May that divine love of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus fill each of you, Fr Andrew.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

June: For the abolition of torture. Let us pray that the international community may commit itself concretely to abolish torture, guaranteeing support to victims and their families.

PARISH NOTICES

Sacred Heart Devotions for June – Thursdays, 7.15pm, during the Holy Hour. This Friday is the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus – so the usual obligation to abstain from meat on Fridays is waived.

Wapping Shindig, Saturday 15th July – There are stalls available at the annual Shindig for selling items, crafts, refreshments, information, etc. The cost is £20 for sellers, or £15 if you can supply your own table, etc. There is no charge for charity and information stalls. The parish will probably run a cake and savouries stall, again, and if you are interested in helping, please contact Jo at the Parish Office. For more information about the Shindig and to run a stall, contact Amanda:

turksheadcharity@gmail.com

Repairs to the Narthex Lunettes – Repair work will begin this week on the leaded lunette windows in the narthex (back chapel), including the replacement of several broken panes of glass. One of the windows (above the toilet) is badly distorted and needs to be removed and repaired off-site. It will be boarded up for a few weeks. The works will be undertaken by a specialist stained glass studio at a cost to the parish of £4127+VAT (though we can usually reclaim the VAT because the church is a listed building).

Kitchen Garden Produce on Sale – Produce from the CAFOD Kitchen Garden will be on sale on Sunday morning after 10am Mass. Everything is organic and home grown. Proceeds support the work of CAFOD, our Catholic agency caring for the poorest of peoples around the world.

Volunteer Catechists – We will start catechesis after Mass on Sunday mornings, during tea and coffee, for 30 minutes, beginning in September, for children in year 2 and above. This will supplement the religious education at English Martyrs, and help parents with children not in Catholic school. For now, we are looking for volunteer catechists to help with starting this new programme. Please speak to Fr Andrew.

REGULAR NOTICES

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

Bingo for the Over 50s – Next bingo Tuesday 20th June, 12.30pm, Parish Centre.

Church Cleaning – Saturday 17th June, 10.30am (Beryl'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 – will resume in September. Please speak to Fr Andrew if interested.

The Search: Finding the Meaning of Life – Next session, Wednesday 14th June, 7pm, in the Upper Room, Parish Centre.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

Vocations and Ordinations – Ordained this weekend for our diocese were two new transitional deacons. Saturday 24th June, 10.30am, will see the ordination of five new priests; and Saturday 8th July, 10.30am, the ordination of three new permanent deacons. This is good news! We also have three new seminarians beginning formation for the priesthood for our diocese this year. Please pray for them and for all our seminarians, and for more vocations.

University Students – Our university Catholic Chaplaincy is based at Newman House, 111 Gower Street, WC1E 6AR. We have Sunday Masses for students and regular events during the week. Many of the universities and colleges in London also have campus-based Catholic societies and activities. More info: www.universitycatholic.net

If you are a full-time student (undergraduate or graduate) in your second year or above, you can apply to live at Newman House. The residential community is centred on the chapel and the life of prayer, faith, community and service. More details online, or email: chris@universitycatholic.net

If you are heading to a university outside London, identify the Catholic chaplaincy in your place of study: https://www.catholicsatuniversity.org.uk

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.