St Patrick's Catholic Church

Parish of Wapping, Archdiocese of Westminster

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A)

30th July 2023

SAT 29 Jul	6.30pm		Private Intention
SUN 30	10.00am ▶	+ 17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Tim Charlesworth (Ints)
	6.30pm		People of the Parish
MON 31	10.00am ▶	St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest	Catherine (Birthday Ints)
TUE 1 Aug	10.00am ▶	St Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor	Mary Grant RIP Anni.
WED 2	*No Mass*	Feria	
THU 3	6.30pm ▶	Feria	Private Intention
FRI 4	6.30pm ▶	St John Vianney, Priest	Sid Galley (RIP)
SAT 5	10.00am ▶	Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday	Joan Paris (Ints)
	6.30pm		People of the Parish
SUN 6	10.00am ▶	+ THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD	Angie Kindell (Thanksgiving)
	6.30pm		Katherine Bridget Aspell RIP An.

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: Sunday 5.45-6.15pm. *Weekday exposition will resume in September.*

The Rosary: Friday 7.00pm

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

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Parish Priest: Fr Andrew Connick
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(Day Off: Wednesday)

Safeguarding: Adele Schirinzi
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PARISH OFFICE: Summer closures.
Please telephone before visiting.

Parish Secretary: Lucy Knights
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FR ANDREW WRITES:

I shared with Fr Chris our sincere thanks for looking after the parish while I was away. Thank you, too, for the care and welcome you gave to him. I was glad to hear that he is looking forward to visiting again next summer, and not just for the long holiday it affords me! It is reassuring to leave you with a loving, competent, and interesting pastor.

The month has gone by quickly. I spent a fortnight with friends in Tuscany, a few days up north near Lytham St Anne's, and a week on retreat at Minster Abbey with the Benedictine nuns.

Minster is a pretty village near Ramsgate. At its centre is a monastery originally founded in 670AD. The first three Abbesses are all saints: St Domneva, St Mildred, and St Edburga. For 900 years, the nuns of Minster prayed and worked, and the village grew up around them. Having survived repeated Viking invasions, the monastery was confiscated by Henry VIII in 1538 and the abbey church destroyed.

Happily, in 1937, the site was bought by the Benedictine nuns of St Walburga's Abbey in Bavaria, and re-founded as a monastic community. It is known as St Mildred's Priory, after its second abbess. It's a prayerful, peaceful, beautiful, and interesting place to visit. We might do that as a day trip on a Saturday in the Autumn.

Many in our parish are now away on holiday. If you are going yourselves this week, I wish you a safe and restful holiday, and look forward to seeing you on your return. And a warm welcome to visitors here in Wapping for the summer.

God bless you all. Fr Andrew.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

July: For a Eucharistic life. Let us pray that Catholics place at the centre of their lives the Eucharistic celebration, which transforms human relationships profoundly and opens up an encounter with God and their brothers and sisters.

August: For World Youth Day. Let us pray that the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to set out on the journey, witnessing to the Gospel with their own lives.

PARISH NOTICES

Livestreaming Resumes – The livestreaming of weekday Masses has now resumed.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – From next Sunday, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before the evening Mass, 5.45-6.15pm, concluding with Benediction. Please come a little early to that Mass to spend some quiet time in prayer in the Real Presence of our Lord Jesus Christ. Our weekday evening Exposition will cease now for the summer break, and return in September. Sincere thanks to Mary and Liz, and to the members of the Rosary Group, for looking after these times of prayer.

Infant Baptism – Next preparation sessions will be in September. If you would like to have your child Baptised, the first step is to complete the form on the website:
https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wapping/sacramental-prep/baptism/

Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, Saturday 23rd September. Walsingham, in Norfolk, is the premier shrine to the Blessed Virgin Mary in Britain. The day pilgrimage will be led by our Archbishop, Cardinal Nichols. The coach will leave St Patrick's around 8am. Adults £20, Children & OAPs £15. Please contact Jo in the Parish Office to book your place: joanncondon@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. The group will begin on Thursdays in September. Please register your interest:
https://rcwapping.typeform.com/wrcia

Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for Grandparents and the Elderly – Last Sunday was the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. Pope Francis has written a letter to all grandparents and elderly persons. You can read it online, or there are also some printed copies at the back of the church.
https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/nonni/documents/20230531-messaggio-nonni-anziani.html

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: Ann Sullivan, Patricia Monehen, Beatrice Bourke, Fraser McDonald, Sabrina Pillai, Maureen Franey.

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

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

DIOCESAN NOTICES

Pilgrimage of Reparation and Prayer for the Sanctity of Life, Saturday 5th August, Walsingham – Led by Archbishop Kevin McDonald. Coach pick-up points at Westminster Cathedral, Harpenden, St Alban's, and Letchworth. Booking details: www.prolifepilgrimage.org | 01858 571242 | 07779 122365

WYD in London, Saturday 5th August, 11am-5pm, Notre Dame de France, Leicester Square (WC2H 7BX) – World Youth Day (WYD) is taking place in Lisbon. For those not attending, there is an invitation to join WYD in London at the French church in Leicester Square. The programme will include music, prayer, talks, activities and Mass. To register a group or individually: bit.ly/wydlondon

Distance learning courses at Maryvale – The Maryvale Higher Institute of Religious Sciences (HIRS), Birmingham, is offering a part-time study programme by distance learning for a Bachelor of Divinity (BDiv) degree or a Licence in Divinity. The BDiv is a five-year part-time, collaborative-learning programme in Catholic theology. The Licence in Divinity: Pathway in Catechetical Sciences is another qualification of the Holy See, distinct from an STL. It is a three-year, part-time, programme aimed at those in leadership positions in catechetics and other positions of responsibility. Contact the admissions tutor, Dr Harry Schnitker: researchcentre@maryvale.ac.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.