St Patrick's Catholic Church

Parish of Wapping, Archdiocese of Westminster

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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A)

24th September 2023

SAT 23 Sep	6.30pm		Private Intention
SUN 24	10.00am	+ 25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Private Intention
	6.30pm		People of the Parish
MON 25	10.00am	Feria	Monica Clark RIP
TUE 26	10.00am	Feria	Nora McHale-Paoletti (Ints)
WED 27	*No Mass*	St Vincent De Paul, Priest	
THU 28	6.30pm	Feria	Mary Christina Kumar RIP
FRI 29	**10.00am**	SS MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL, Archangels	Luisa Ortega Pereira (Ints)
SAT 30	10.00am	St Jerome, Priest & Doctor	Maureen & Liam Bergin (Ints)
	6.30pm		Private Intention
SUN 1 Oct	10.00am	+ 26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	People of the Parish
	6.30pm		Phyl Scannell RIP

Masses marked ▶ are livestreamed on YouTube: www.youtube.com/rcwapping

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat & Sun 6.00pm, and by appointment.

Church Open for Individual Prayer: Daily 7.00am-8.00pm.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Sun 5.45-6.15pm. Tue-Fri 7.00-8.00pm.

The Rosary: Friday 7.00pm

Morning Prayer: Mon-Fri 7.15am **Evening Prayer:** Tue-Thu 7.00pm

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Parish Priest: Fr Andrew Connick
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PARISH OFFICE: Tue & Fri 10am-2pm

Parish Secretary: Lucy Knights
lucyknights@rcdow.org.uk

Events Coordinator: Joann Condon
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THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

September: For people living on the margins. Let us pray for those people on the margins of society in subhuman living conditions, that they may not be neglected by institutions and never be cast out.

PARISH NOTICES

Change to Mass: Friday Mass at 10am (instead of 6.30pm).

Cake Sale in Support of Ukrainian Refugees, This Sunday 24th September, 11am – Please support this cake sale after the morning Mass on Sunday for the group that organised to host Ukrainian families here in Wapping. Donations of cakes and savouries may be brought to the playground before or after Sunday morning Mass. If you bake, please include a list of ingredients with your donation.

St Vincent de Paul Society – Our new parish SVP group will be the principal means by which the parish seeks to provide practical assistance to people in need, rooted in prayer. There is an information evening on Monday 25th September, 7pm, in the Presbytery.

Infant Baptism Preparation begins 8th October after 10am Mass, second session 22nd October. Register for infant baptism online: https://rcwapping.typeform.com/baptism

Youth Catechesis – Catechesis for young people in year 7 and above, to be held on Sunday afternoons before the 6.30pm evening Mass. Regular participants, in year 8 and above, will be invited to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation through this programme, when they are ready for it. Please register your interest:
https://rcwapping.typeform.com/youthcatechesis

Day Visit to Minster Abbey, Saturday 21st October. Minster Abbey is a monastery of Benedictine Nuns first founded in the 7th century. It is a beautiful setting and a chance to visit the Sisters, see something of their life, ask for their prayers, and support them. We will probably travel by train (direct from London Bridge to Minster).

Psalms: The School of Prayer – Our next Bible Timeline course. The Holy Spirit inspired them. Israel sang them. Christ himself prayed them, as did our Blessed Mother. At the heart of the Bible are the Psalms, prayers from God that help us to pray. Discover how these sacred hymns become our heartfelt response to God's loving and wondrous deeds for us. Meeting on Mondays 7.00-8.30pm, beginning 9th October. To register:
https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wapping/events/psalms-the-school-of-prayer/

Sunday Catechesis, continues this Sunday 24th September, 11.00-11.30am – New Sunday catechesis after the morning Mass for children in years 2-6, led by Angie and Joan. In the Presbytery meeting room, accessed via the kitchen garden. This is a pre-requisite for First Confession and First Holy Communion programmes, and a particular help for those children not in a Catholic primary school. Tea and coffee for parents and parishioners in the Parish Centre.

New Altar Servers – Training for new altar servers Saturday 30th September, 10.30am. Children must have made their First Holy Communion to serve.

New and Existing Readers – We are looking for volunteers to read at the Sunday Masses. Please speak to Fr Andrew. Meeting for all new and existing readers on Sunday 1st October, 11.30am (after the Sunday 10am Mass).

New and Existing Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion – If anyone is interested in serving as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, please speak to Fr Andrew. Meeting for all new and existing ministers on Sunday 8th October, 11.30am (after the Sunday 10am Mass).

Donations for Parish Fair, Sunday 15th October – Our annual parish fair. We need:

- Donations of, cuddly toys/teddy bears (in new/good condition), children's books only, toys, and unwanted gifts (gifts you may have received that could be re-gifted). Please no DVDs or CDs, and no other bric-a-brac.
- Bottles for the bottle stand – alcoholic, or otherwise.
- Donations of homemade cakes/savouries baked items for the food stall.
- A couple of people to do some face painting (we will provide paint and brushes).
- Volunteers to help run the stalls.

Please contact Jo in the Parish Office, or email: 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

Certificates of Catholic Practice for secondary school admissions in September 2024. If you are at Mass over the weekend, please speak to Fr Andrew afterwards. The local authority deadline for secondary school applications is 31st October. To request forms:
https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wapping/schools/ccp/

REGULAR NOTICES

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

Bingo for the Over 50s – Next bingo Tuesday 26th September, 12.30pm, Parish Centre.

Church Cleaning – Saturday 30th September, 10.30am (Beryl's team). Please do come and help to clean the church if you can.

Tuesday Tea and Coffee – Every Tuesday after 10am Mass in the Presbytery.

OTHER NOTICES

'Red Mass' for the Opening of the Legal Year, Westminster Cathedral, Monday 2nd October – Members of all of the legal professions – the judiciary, barristers, solicitors, sheriffs, coroners, legal executives, legal secretaries and law students – are welcome to attend. The Mass is open to the public. If lawyers wish to join the robed judicial procession into and out of the Cathedral, please contact the organisers of the ceremony, the Thomas More Society, as soon as possible:

secretary@thomasmoresociety.org.uk

English Martyrs PTA Quiz Night a community Event being held at Raines House in Wapping. Saturday 30th September, 6.30-10.30pm. Tickets £10 per person, teams are welcome but individuals too who are willing to make some new friends! There will be a prize for the winning team. Drinks, beers, wine, and grazing boards are also on offer.

https://www.pta-events.co.uk/englishmartyrspta/

Marriage Encounter non-residential enrichment weekend for couples: Saturday 30th September to Sunday 1st October (9am to 5pm), at St George's Parish Centre – Sudbury. This is a great opportunity as a couple to affirm, enrich and explore your unique relationship (there is no group sharing). For more information:

https://wwme.org.uk/book-a-weekend/

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.