ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish of Wapping, Archdiocese of Westminster

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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A)

22nd October 2023

SAT 21 Oct	6.30pm		Private Intention
SUN 22	10.00am	+ 29 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	People of the Parish
	6.30pm		St Patrick Artist Community
MON 23	10.00am	Feria	Mary Christina Kumar RIP
TUE 24	10.00am	Feria	Nora McHale-Paoletti (Ints)
WED 25	No Mass	Feria	
THU 26	6.30pm 🔼	Feria	Mary Christina Kumar RIP
FRI 27	6.30pm 🔼	Feria	Private Intention
SAT 28	10.00am	SS SIMON AND JUDE, Apostles	Nora McHale (Ints)
	6.30pm		People of the Parish
SUN 29	10.00am	+ 30 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Chungong 'Tah-Ndi 'Ndfornyen RIP
	6.30pm		Paris Family (Ints)
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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 andrewconnick@rcdow.org.uk

In Residence: Fr Duaine Devereaux

Seminarian: Farvin Gonsalves

Safeguarding: Adele Schirinzi wappingsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk PARISH OFFICE: Tue & Fri 10am-2pm

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POPE FRANCIS: APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION "LAUDATE DEUM" ON CLIMATE

Pope Francis has released his Apostolic Exhortation *Laudate Deum*, 'Praise God', to 'clarify and complete' what he started in 2015 with his encyclical letter '*Laudato Si'* on how we care for our common home.

In it, the Pope makes a heartfelt appeal to all people of good will, to communities, businesses, governments, and international bodies that each play its part in facing and responding to the challenges of climate change. He asks each of us to contribute by efforts "to reduce pollution and waste, to consume with prudence" and thereby help "to create a new culture".

You can read the full exhortation online:

https://rcdow.org.uk/att/files/papal%20documents/laudate-deum-exhortation-041023.pdf

FR ANDREW WRITES:

It's hard to witness the suffering in the Holy Land, on both sides, and I am sure you feel the same strong prompt to pray. I was at a meeting on Wednesday at which Cardinal Nichols shared with us an email he received from the Catholic parish in Gaza. He has visited them a couple of times in the past. They are surviving at present, and have currently 1000 people sheltering in their cramped compound. A convent of sisters has moved in, too, and brought with them a group of foreign nationals trapped there. Despite what has been reported in the media, they are still able to buy water and food. It is beautiful that amid such horror that very small community of our Catholic brothers and sisters are doing everything they can to serve their neighbours. Let's please continue our prayers for peace.

God bless you all. Fr Andrew.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

October: For the Synod. Let us pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a style of life at every level, allowing herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the world's peripheries.

PARISH NOTICES

A big thank you to Jo and all those responsible for making the fair such a success, whether by donating items, setting up and clearing up, running stalls or helping on the day. A huge effort goes into the fair. The sun made an appearance, despite the cold chill and once again, we were joined by a great crowd of our neighbours in Wapping.

Thank you for the welcome you gave them. We are still tallying everything up and will let you know how much was raised as soon as we have the final figures.

St Patrick's Quiz Night – Daniel Brennan, the quizmaster is back! Join us on Friday 24th November at 7.30pm for another great night and test your knowledge. Tickets are £5 per person and there is a maximum of 6 people per team. Please contact Jo in the Parish Office or email: joanncondon@rcdow.org.uk

St Vincent de Paul Society — Our new parish SVP group will provide practical assistance to people in need in Wapping. Please contact the parish office for more information or if you are interested in helping.

Infant Baptism Preparation second session this Sunday, after the 10am Mass, in the sacristy. Register for infant baptism online: https://rcwapping.typeform.com/baptism

Catholicism for the Curious – For anyone interested in finding out more about Catholic faith, or better understanding Catholic faith. Open to anyone, Christian or otherwise. Thursday evenings, 7.30pm, in the presbytery.

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

CAFOD Kitchen Garden - New Season Honey — If you missed out at the fair last week, there is another opportunity to buy jars of this season's honey from our hives! Due to limited supply we have to restrict sale of honey to two jars per household. Price £10 a jar and a refund of £1 for each jar returned clean and label removed.

Parish Allotment – Our parish has one of the allotments opposite Wapping Green, thanks to the campaigning of Jim Monehen. One possible use is to grow flowers for our excellent flower team and their decorating of the church, saving some carbon from transportation to the supermarket and saving some money each year. If you have any thoughts or ideas, or a passion for gardening, please speak to Fr Andrew.

November Book of the Dead – Please take a sheet this weekend and fill in the names of your departed loved ones, so they can be included in the intention at Mass each day in November. You can return your list, together with an offering for Mass if you wish, next weekend or at any time during November.

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 8th November, 12.30pm, Parish Centre.

Catholicism for the Curious – Thursday, 7.30pm, in the Presbytery. All welcome.

Church Cleaning – Saturday 28th October, 11am (Caroline's team). Please do come and help to clean the church if you can.

Psalms: The School of Prayer – Session 2, Monday 23rd Oct, 7pm, in the Presbytery.

Sunday Catechesis – Sundays for 30 minutes after 10am Mass. For all children in school years 2 to 6. 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.

Sunday Tea and Coffee – Sundays after 10am Mass, in the Parish Centre.

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

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 giftaid it 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 (<u>non-perishable items only</u>): 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:

<u>0800 448 0704</u>

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 <u>0800 304 7159</u>
- 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 outpatient 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.