# St Patrick's Catholic Church

Parish of Wapping, Archdiocese of Westminster

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## PENTECOST SUNDAY (Year B)

19th May 2024

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| **SAT 18 May** | 6.30pm | | Dr Ravindra Kumar RIP |
| **SUN 19** | 10.00am | **+ PENTECOST SUNDAY** | Sr Agnes Ong (Ints) |
| | 6.30pm | | People of the Parish |
| **MON 20** | 10.00am | Mary, Mother of the Church | Martin Fox RIP |
| **TUE 21** | 10.00am | Feria, Seventh Week of Year II | Sally Carr RIP |
| **WED 22** | *No Mass* | **ANNIVERSARY OF THE CONSECRATION OF THE CHURCH (1902)** | |
| **THU 23** | 6.30pm | OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST | Adrian Tobin RIP (B'day) |
| **FRI 24** | 6.30pm | Feria | Conversion of Sinners |
| **SAT 25** | 10.00am | Saint Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church | Paris Family (Ints) |
| | 6.30pm | | Mary Christina Kumar RIP |
| **SUN 26** | 10.00am | **+ THE MOST HOLY TRINITY** | People of the Parish |
| | 6.30pm | | Maria & Franciszek Pasterny RIP |

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

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday & Sunday 6.00pm.

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

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Sun 5.45-6.15pm. Thu & Fri 7.00-8.00pm.

**The Rosary:** Thursday 7.30pm. Saturday 6.00pm.

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**PARISH OFFICE: Mon, Tue & Fri 10am-2pm**

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## FR ANDREW WRITES:

**Pentecost:** We have reached the end of Eastertide. At the conclusion of Christ's Passion, Death, Resurrection, and Ascension, he breathed the Holy Spirit into the apostles on this Pentecost day, sending them out in mission and animating the life of the Church.

At your Baptism and Confirmation, the Holy Spirit descended upon you, too. The creator of the universe is within you, the one who flows from the love of Father and Son, drawing you into God's life, if you cooperate with him. He gives you spiritual gifts to help you fulfil your part in the mission of the Church. I recommend praying to the Holy Spirit often. The first prayer I say on waking each morning is the prayer to the Holy Spirit: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, enkindle in them…



**New Lectionaries for Mass:** You might recall that in 2011 the English translation of the Roman Missal was revised. The words of the prayers and responses at Mass changed. It's been a long time but, at last, it is the turn of the Lectionary: the book that contains the Scripture readings for Mass. From Advent this year, we will have a new English translation of the Scriptures, more faithful to the original Biblical languages, reflecting current Biblical scholarship, in a style more appropriate for proclamation, and with more inclusive language, where accurate and appropriate.

We need to buy a set of these new lectionaries for Mass, and a new Book of the Gospels. Our current volumes have served us well, but after more than 40 years of regular use they are reaching the end of their working lives anyway. The new books look beautifully well-made and worthy for the proclamation of the Word of God. There are four volumes of the lectionary, costing £148 each. The Book of the Gospels is £395. If anyone wants to donate the money for one of the books, in memory of someone perhaps, we will inscribe the frontispiece, to recall that intention every time they are used for the Holy Mass here in Wapping, for the next 40 years and longer.

With my prayers for you all, and invoking the Holy Spirit to bless you today, Fr Andrew.

### THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

**May: For the Formation of Men and Women Religious, and Seminarians.** Let us pray that men and women religious, and seminarians, grow in their own vocational journey through human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, that leads them to be credible witnesses of the Gospel.

## PARISH NOTICES

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary** – There will now be Exposition every week on Thursdays (in addition to Friday), 7-8pm, with the Rosary at 7.30pm.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Praise and Worship** – Every Friday, 7-8pm. Please come and spend some time in guided prayer and adoration of the Lord Jesus.

**Funeral Masses** – Please pray for the repose of these souls and for their families.

- **Sheila Anderson RIP** – Friday 31st May, 2pm.
- **Margaret Sullivan RIP** – Tuesday 4th June, 12nooon.

**Film and Conversation Night –** Tuesday 21st May, 7.30pm: "Mysteries of the Rosary - The Joyful Mysteries". Episode 2 will explore 'The Annunciation'. In His providence, God chose Mary. Mary gives her assent and our long wait is over! Generation after generation of longing and aching for a Messiah come to fulfilment. Jesus comes into the world through Mary. Our Lady wants to bring us her joy, the joy of Jesus Christ himself, incarnate within her womb. No preparation required and no need to have attended previous sessions, everyone is welcome!

**Join the Wapping St Vincent de Paul Society** – The new St Patrick's SVP Conference has been set up to provide practical support to Wapping residents in need. The Wapping SVP is already carrying out visits to isolated members of our community and is now looking to set up a distribution of free hot meals in Wapping. More volunteers are needed to enable the SVP to reach out to more beneficiaries. For more information, email: PresidentA220816@svp.org.uk

**Parish Movie Night** – Saturday 8th June, 8pm, in the Upper Room. Showing 'Molokai: the story of Father Damien'. 1872: Molokai is a small island off the coast of Hawaii where lepers are abandoned in exile. Father Damien, a young priest, volunteers to become the first priest to visit the island. Discovering the shocking living condition of the lepers, he makes it his crusade to improve their life. This is the true story of how Father Damien shames the cynical establishment into action and brings compassion and dignity to Molokai, against all odds. Film rating: PG (suitable for general viewing but some scenes may be unsuitable for young children). Free entry (donations invited to help cover the cost of the copyright licence), bring your own snacks and drinks.

**Save the dates:** More details to follow after the summer break.

- **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham, Saturday 21st September**.
- **Macmillan Coffee Morning, Sunday 22nd September,** after 10am Mass.

## LOCAL COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Help with NHS App, Tuesday 21st May, 10.30am-1.30pm, Parish Centre** – This is a drop-in service organised by the NHS offering help with using the NHS App on your smartphone, especially to re-order your repeat prescriptions. Refreshments served.

**Safer Neighbourhood Police Team walk-about, 24th May, 2pm,** starting at Wapping Station. This is an opportunity for residents to meet with our local police team and raise any concerns.

## REGULAR NOTICES

**Please pray for the sick in the parish,** including: Joseph Célestin, Ann Sullivan, Fraser McDonald, Sabrina Pillai, Maureen Franey.

**And for the recently departed,** including: Sheila Anderson, Margaret Sullivan.

**Bingo for the Over 50s** – Next bingo Tuesday 21st May, 12.30pm, Parish Centre.

**Church Cleaning** – Saturday 25th May, 11.00am (Caroline's team). Help needed.

**Film & Conversation Nights** – Tuesdays, 7.30pm, Upper Room (Parish Centre). "Mysteries of the Rosary – The Joyful Mysteries". Friendship, discussion, refreshments.

**Parish Movie Nights** – Next film Saturday 8th June, 8pm, Upper Room: "Molokai: the story of Father Damien" (1999). Bring your own snacks/drinks.

**Praise and Worship Group** – Fridays 7-8pm, with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

**Rosary Group** – Thursdays in church at 7.30pm. Also, daily Rosary at home via WhatsApp. Prayer for the intentions of the Church, parish and all parishioners.

**Shared Christian Bookshelf** – In the Upper Room, to share books about our faith. All welcome to borrow and contribute books.

**St Vincent de Paul Society** – Providing practical support to members of our community. For more information or to volunteer: PresidentA220816@svp.org.uk
For assistance or support from the SVP Society: request@svp.org.uk | 0207 703 3030

**Sunday Catechesis** – For children in school years 2 to 6. Every Sunday (term-time) for 30mins after 10am Mass, Presbytery meeting room, accessed via the Kitchen Garden. Half term: No sessions 26th May and 2nd June.

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

**Youth Catechesis** – For years 7-13, including preparation for Confirmation. Final sessions before summer, this Sunday 19th May, 5pm, in the Upper Room. Speak to Fr Andrew to join.

## 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

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## REGULAR NOTICES

**Volunteers for Church Cleaning** – We are in desperate need of volunteers to bolster the numbers in our church cleaning teams. There are three teams at present, so the commitment is an hour once every three weeks on a Saturday morning. The teams meet at 8.30am, 10.30am and 11.00am, so there is some flexibility. Cleaning involves light duties: hoovering and sweeping mainly. It is also a good chance to socialise with other parishioners. Please speak to one of the stewards after Mass or email Beryl: beryl.israel@hotmail.com

**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!

**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.

**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

**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.