St Patrick's Catholic Church

Parish of Wapping, Archdiocese of Westminster

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ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year B)

16th June 2024

SAT 15 Jun	6.30pm	+ ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Sorasak A. MacDonald RIP
SUN 16	10.00am		People of the Parish
	6.30pm		Dr Ravindra Kumar RIP
MON 17	10.00am	Feria	Frank Game RIP B'day
TUE 18	10.00am	Feria	Thomas & Helen Clark RIP
WED 19	*No Mass*	Feria	
THU 20	6.30pm	St Alban, Protomartyr of England	Maya Aldridge (Ints)
FRI 21	6.30pm	St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious	Bridget Baker RIP
SAT 22	10.00am	STS JOHN FISHER, Bishop, & THOMAS MORE, Martyrs	Adrian Tobin RIP
SUN 23	6.30pm	+ TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	People of the Parish
	10.00am		Fr Harry Elias SJ (Ints)
	6.30pm		Private Intention

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.

Sacred Heart Devotions: Thursday 7.00pm.

The Rosary: Thursday 7.30pm.

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PARISH OFFICE: Tue & Fri 10am-2pm

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FR ANDREW WRITES:

Day for Life

The third Sunday of June each year is the "Day for Life", set aside for raising awareness of the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. The theme this year: *The Lord is my Shepherd – Compassion and Hope at the End of Life*. A debate on end-of-life issues has been in the headlines in recent months, with calls for assisted suicide being expressed, especially by celebrities. From Bishop Sherrington:

"As Catholics, along with many people of other faiths and none, we share a different vision about what it is to be fully human, especially when we are suffering and approaching death in the hope of eternal life. People who are coming towards the end of their lives can feel vulnerable, and recent research shows that many consider themselves a burden on their loved ones and wider society. Jesus shows us that life always has dignity and that there is no such thing as a useless life. We are called to defend this gift of life to its natural end and to protect vulnerable citizens from a culture that could pressure them into assisted suicide. We support people with the companionship of a listening ear, appropriate treatment, and the best of care, so that their last days can be times of grace, intimacy and love."

Testimonies, reflections, prayers, and charities that support and care for the dying:
https://www.cbcew.org.uk/day-for-life/

General Election

The Gospel of Jesus Christ influences the way we look at the world and politics. As Christians, we are concerned always for the common good: how to help the poor, marginalised, vulnerable; a society in which families are helped to flourish, and the dignity of life respected; care for our common home; welcome to the stranger in need.

The Bishops of England and Wales have put together some guidance for Catholics considering these matters as we each decide how to vote:
https://www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/

God bless you all, Fr Andrew.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

June: For those Fleeing their Own Countries. Let us pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys fraught with danger and violence, may find welcome and new living opportunities in their host countries.

PARISH NOTICES

CAFOD Kitchen Garden Sale – New season vegetables available this Sunday after 10am Mass. Broad beans, rocket, rhubarb, new potatoes and tomato plants, all grown on site! Proceeds support the work of CAFOD, helping the poorest in the world.

Cakes & Savouries Stall at the Wapping Shindig, Saturday 6th July (11am-7pm) – The parish is once again running a cake and savouries stall at the Wapping Shindig, and we are looking for parishioners to do some home baking. Donations can be dropped directly at the stall on Wapping Green from 10.30am on Saturday 6th July. Please include with your baking a list of all ingredients used, for those with allergies.

Pensioners Summer Party, Wednesday 17th July, 12.30pm, Parish Centre – We are hosting our annual Pensioners Summer tea party and would love the pensioners of the parish and local community to come along. It's free, but spaces are limited so please register with Jo: 020 7481 2202 | joanncondon@rcdow.org.uk

Sunday Catechesis: Children currently in year 2 are invited to join this catechesis as a foundation for being invited to First Holy Communion preparation next year.

Film and Conversation Night – Tuesday 18th June, 7.30pm: "Mysteries of the Rosary - The Joyful Mysteries "The Finding in the Temple". Each year, the Holy Family would return to Jerusalem for the Feast of the Passover. When the feast ended, they began their journey home. Mary and Joseph went a full day's journey before realising that Jesus was missing. As we enter into the Mystery of the Finding in the Temple we discover that Jesus' Father's house is the temple and Jesus' Father's house is the holy house at Nazareth. When Jesus goes from the temple to the home, the temple goes with Him. He is the temple. " No preparation required and no need to have attended previous sessions.

Parish Movie Night – Saturday 13th July, 8pm, in the Upper Room. Showing 'Monsieur Vincent' (1947). An Academy Award winner for Best Foreign Language Film, Monsieur Vincent chronicles the remarkable journey of St Vincent de Paul, who rose from slavery to become a trusted advisor to queens and princes. The film reveals how St Vincent's unwavering commitment to the poor made him one of the greatest humanitarians in history. Luminously filmed in black and white, Monsieur Vincent is a towering achievement among the world's great spiritual cinema. Free entry (donations invited to help cover the cost of the copyright licence), bring your own snacks and drinks.

Volunteers for Church Cleaning – We need help for 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

DIOCESAN NOTICES

Ordinations – All celebrated at Westminster Cathedral and open to all:

- Auxiliary Bishop (Mgr Jim Curry): Tuesday 18th June, 12noon.
- Priests (Revv. Thomas Blackburn, Domagoj Matokovic, Robert Smialek): Saturday 29th June, 10.30am.

REGULAR NOTICES

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

Bingo for the Over 50s – Next bingo Tuesday 18th June, 12.30pm, Parish Centre.

Church Cleaning – Saturday 22nd June, 8.30am (Naomi and Michelle's team).

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.

Youth Catechesis – Sundays 5pm, for years 7-13. Sessions resume in September.

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

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.