St Patrick's Catholic Church

Parish of Wapping, Archdiocese of Westminster

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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year B)

6th October 2024

SAT 5 Oct	6.30pm		People of the Parish
SUN 6	10.00am	+ TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Guy Rety RIP
	6.30pm		Avalon Kalin (Ints)
MON 7	10.00am	Our Lady of the Rosary	Anthony Said (Ints)
TUE 8	**8.00am**	Feria	Paris Family (Ints)
WED 9	*No Mass*	ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN, Priest	
THU 10	6.30pm	Feria	Private Intention
FRI 11	6.30pm	Feria	Matas (Ints)
SAT 12	10.00am	Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday	Kathleen Collins (nee Murphy) RIP
	6.30pm		Thanksgiving to the Holy Spirit
SUN 13	10.00am	+ TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Fr Des O'Neill RIP (B'day)
	6.30pm		People of the Parish

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-7.00pm (Thu & Fri 8.00pm).

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

The Rosary: Thursday 7.30pm. **Praise and Worship:** Friday 7.00-8.00pm.

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

In Residence: Fr Daniele Falcomer

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

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FR ANDREW WRITES:

October – Month of the Holy Rosary

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. The Rosary is a meditation on the life of Jesus and Mary. The repetition of the vocal prayers is intended to quieten our minds and, as it becomes more familiar and more automatic, we are freed mentally to contemplate the important events in the life of the Lord Jesus and his Holy Mother.

It takes some time and effort to establish a practice of praying the Rosary. There are lots of guides and tools to help you to pray the Rosary, including here: https://www.rosarycenter.org/homepage-2/rosary/how-to-pray-the-rosary/

Perhaps you could use this October to pray the Rosary each day for your needs and especially for peace. We pray the Rosary in the church on Friday evenings, 7.30pm, and we have a Rosary group in the parish who pray every evening remotely. Please email the Parish Office to join them.

Day of Prayer and Fasting for Peace – Monday 7th October

Pope Francis has called for a day of prayer and fasting this Monday, 7th October, feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, and the anniversary of the attack on Israel by Hamas that began the war. He reminds us that the Christian community is called to put itself at the service of humanity, by addressing a heartfelt petition to God and to the Virgin Mary for peace. Please consider how you will mark this day of prayer and fasting yourselves. In the parish, we will pray the Rosary for peace after the morning Mass.

You might also be interested to read the message of the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem, Cardinal Pizzaballa, to the Christians in the Holy Land, also asking for prayer and fasting on Monday: https://www.lpj.org/en/news/a-day-of-prayer-fasting-and-penance

I am away most of this week at the annual conference of diocesan Vocations Directors, returning Friday, and very grateful to Fr Daniele for looking after the parish (and the dogs!).

Entrusting you all to the prayers and protection of Our Most Holy Mother, and with my best wishes for the week ahead, Fr Andrew.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

October: For a Shared Mission. Let us pray that the Church continue to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, communion and mission shared by priests, religious, and laity.

PARISH NOTICES

Change of Mass times this week: Tuesday 8am (rather than 10am).

Macmillan Cake Sale, thank you for all the many ways you supported the cake sale last Sunday, whether this was volunteering, baking delicious cakes to sell, or purchasing cakes after Mass. £762.18 was raised by the parishioners of St Patrick's and will be sent to Macmillan to help support the amazing work they do.

Visit to St Michael's Abbey, Farnborough, **Saturday 26th October** – Benedictine monastery, containing the national shrine to St Joseph. Meeting 1.30pm for lunch for those who wish, or 3pm at the monastery for the tour with the Abbot. The easiest way to get to Farnborough is by train. It is also possible to drive. Please make your own arrangements for travel. For full details and to register:

https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wapping/events/farnborough/

Infant Baptism – Preparation sessions begin this Sunday 6th October, after the 10am Mass, in the Sacristy, and run for two consecutive weeks. Both sessions need to be completed before a Baptism date can be arranged. If you would like your child Baptised, the first step is to complete the form on the website:

http://rcwapping.typeform.com/baptism

Film & Conversation Night, Tuesday 8th October, 7.30pm, Upper Room – Watching the National Geographic documentary series '**The story of God**', presented by Morgan Freeman, exploring how different elements of faith are perceived or understood by different religions. This Tuesday, season 2, episode 1: 'The Chosen One'. How are religious figures or leaders chosen or called? The journey takes us around the world, including a 9-year-old boy in Tibet, a Christian missionary in North Korea, and Thailand to witness the extraordinary piercings to redeem the sins of others. No preparation required and no need to have attended previous sessions, everyone is welcome!

Parish Movie Night, **Saturday 12th October, 8pm, Upper Room** – 'A Man for All Seasons'. Multi-award-winning historical drama about St Thomas More's refusal to acknowledge Henry VIII's break with the Church to divorce his barren wife and marry Anne Boleyn. Above all, he wants the endorsement of his newly appointed chancellor and widely respected scholar Sir Thomas More. But More has a divine conscience and will not consent to a break with the church of Rome. The scene is set for a struggle between the power of a king and a man who loves God more than his life. Free entry (donations invited to help cover the cost of the copyright licence), bring your own snacks and drinks.

Foreign currency collection for the SVP – Do you have any foreign currency left over from your trips abroad? Or any old British and Irish money? You can donate it to support the work of the SVP. Please leave any coins or bank notes (in an envelope or bag marked "SVP") in the sacristy after Mass or in the Presbytery letterbox. 50% of the value of your donation will go towards the Wapping SVP's work to help those in need locally and 50% will go towards supporting the work of the SVP nationally.

Certificates of Catholic Practice for secondary school admissions in September 2025. 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: Joseph Célestin, Ann Sullivan, Fraser McDonald, Sabrina Pillai, Maureen Franey.

And for the recently departed, including: Sharon Bruin, Anne Cerase (née Gager).

Bingo for the Over 50s – Next bingo this Tuesday 8th October, 12.30pm, Parish Centre.

Catholicism for the Curious – Thursday 17th October, 7.30pm, Presbytery.

Church Cleaning – Saturday 12th October, Flo's team, 10.30am.

Praise and Worship Group – Friday 7.00-8.00pm in the church.

Prophets (Bible Timeline) – Next session Monday 21st October, 7pm, Presbytery.

Parish Movie Nights – Saturday 12th October, 8pm, 'A Man for All Seasons' (1966) in the Upper Room. Bring your own snacks and drinks. Programme on notice board.

Film and Conversation Nights – Tuesdays, 7.30pm, Upper Room (Parish Centre). National Geographic series 'The story of God'. Friendship, discussion, refreshments.

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 - Provides practical support to members of our community asking for help. For more information: PresidentA220816@svp.org.uk
For assistance or support from the SVP Society: request@svp.org.uk | 020 7703 3030

Sunday Catechesis – For children in school years 2-6. Sunday 11am-12noon (during term-time), in the Meeting Room (accessed via the Kitchen Garden).

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

DIOCESAN NOTICES

St Michael's Catholic College – If you are applying to the school for the year 7 entry in 2025 academic year, please note their application form has changed. You must complete the supplementary online form and have a Catholic Certificate of Practice signed by Fr Andrew. The old-style form and priest reference is now only used for in-year admissions. If you have any questions please speak to Fr Andrew or Lucy in the parish office.

University Students – The university Catholic chaplaincy is based at Newman House, 111 Gower Street, WC1E 6AR. We have Sunday Masses for students and regular events during the week. And in many of the universities and colleges we also have campus-based Catholic societies and activities. More info: www.universitycatholic.net

Procession in Honour of Our Lady of Willesden, Sunday 13th October, 7pm, from the Shrine church (1 Nicoll Road, Willesden, NW10 9AX) and through the streets of Willesden, praying for the protection of London and for the gift of vocations to the priesthood. It will be attended by the Seminarians of the diocese and Fr Richard Biggerstaff will preach.

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

St Patrick's Wapping St Vincent de Paul Society – The Wapping SVP is actively looking for new volunteer members to help us carry out our mission, including to help take some otherwise housebound parishioners to Mass, visit isolated members of our community, deliver hot meals in Wapping and Shadwell and/or generally provide practical support to members of our community. For more information or if you can give a few hours of your time every month. Email: PresidentA220816@svp.org.uk
For ways to donate to the SVP: https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wapping/parish-groups/svp/

Interested in Catholic Faith or Adult Confirmation – This is for anyone who wants to know about Catholic faith, and for adult Catholics who missed out on the Sacrament of Confirmation for any reason. Meeting on Thursdays at 7.30pm. Please register:
https://rcwapping.typeform.com/wrcia

Sunday Catechesis, 11am-12noon – Sunday catechesis for children every Sunday in term-time after 10am Mass, for children in years 2-6, led by Joan and Angie, in the Presbytery meeting room, accessed via the kitchen garden. If your child is new to catechesis, please introduce yourselves to the catechists at the session.

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

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.