St Patrick's Catholic Church

Parish of Wapping, Archdiocese of Westminster

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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year B)

27th October 2024

SAT 26 Oct	6.30pm		People of the Parish
SUN 27	10.00am	+ THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Monica Clark RIP
	6.30pm		Brian Keeley RIP Anni.
MON 28	10.00am	SS SIMON & JUDE, Apostles	Rita Murphy (Ints)
TUE 29	10.00am	Blessed Martyrs of Douai College	Bianca (Ints)
WED 30	*No Mass*	Feria	
THU 31		Feria	
	6.30pm		Private Intention
FRI 1 Nov	**10.00am**	**+ ALL SAINTS**	Ravi & Chriss Kumar, & Kathleen Aspell RIP
	6.30pm		Thanksgiving
SAT 2	**8.00am**	**THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (All Souls' Day)**	Holy Souls
	10.00am		Ada & Frank Brassett RIP
	6.30pm		Deceased Members of the Kumar & Aspell Families & Holy Souls
SUN 3	10.00am	+ THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Ken Matthews RIP & Holy Souls
	6.30pm		People of the Parish & Holy Souls

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)

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PARISH OFFICE: Tue & Fri 10am-2pm

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FR ANDREW WRITES:

In the past, the beginning of November was known as "Allhallowtide" because of the three celebrations remembering the dead: All Hallows' Eve (Halloween, 31st October), All Hallows (All Saints, 1st November) and All Souls (2nd November).

All Hallows' Eve: This was first celebrated in the seventh century, as a preparation for the feast of All Saints (or "All Hallows"). Churches often displayed the bones and other relics of saints on Halloween for public veneration. There were other customs, too. In England, children begged door-to-door for "soul cakes", promising to pray for the donors' departed loved ones in purgatory. That is the origin of "trick or treating".

Halloween is a Christian celebration, although now corrupted by a glorification of evil and elements of the occult. There is no historical connection between Halloween and the Gaelic, pagan festival of Samhain: that connection was first mooted by Protestant Reformers in their anti-Catholic rhetoric in the 16th century, and has no basis in fact.

All Saints: A saint is a soul in heaven, someone who died in grace and friendship with God, purified of any sin. They enjoy the glorious vision of God, face to face, for ever. The company of saints is drawn from every time and nation and state of life. It includes famous popes and martyrs, but also innumerable others who lived quiet lives and whose names are not known to history. There are bound to be saints, unknown to us, from our own families. On All Saints, we honour our glorious brothers and sisters, known and unknown, and we ask for God's grace to find our own path to holiness.

All Souls: Saturday is All Souls' Day. Having venerated the saints, we turn to those who died in God's friendship, but not perfectly purified of sin. Most of us, after death, will need this purification to achieve the perfect holiness that eluded us in this life. We call these souls "holy" because they are assured of heaven, yet they still need our prayers and the help of the Church on earth to achieve that goal. The Mass is the greatest way we can help those who have died. Please remember to complete a sheet with the names of your departed loved ones.

A blessed "Allhallowtide" to you all, 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.

November: For Those Who Have Lost a Child. Let us pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community, and may receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation.

PARISH NOTICES

All Saints (Friday 1st November) is a holyday of obligation. Vigil Mass Thursday 6.30pm, then Friday 10.00am and 6.30pm.

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed ("All Souls' Day", Saturday 2nd November) – Masses at 8am and 10am. (The Saturday evening Mass will be the vigil of Sunday, rather than another All Souls' Day Mass.)

200 Club – Draw numbers for September: 1st - 4, 2nd – 6, 3rd – 5, 4th – 61. October: 1st – 62, 2nd – 12, 3rd – 53, 4th - 63. All winners have been notified.

Parish Movie Night, **Saturday 9th November, 8pm, Upper Room** – 'Paul, Apostle of Christ'. Paul, who goes from the most infamous persecutor of Christians to Christ's most influential apostle, is spending his last days in a dark and bleak prison cell, awaiting execution by Emperor Nero. But before Paul's death sentence can be enacted, Luke, his friend and physician, risks his life to visit him and resolves to write a book that details the birth of the Church. Their faith challenged an empire. But their words changed the world. Free entry (donations invited to help cover the cost of the copyright licence), bring your own snacks and drinks.

St Patrick's Wapping St Vincent de Paul Society – The Wapping SVP is actively looking for new volunteers to help us carry out our mission, including supporting housebound parishioners to Mass, visiting isolated members of our community, delivering hot meals in Wapping/Shadwell, and other practical support. 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/

Foreign currency collection for the SVP – Donate left-over foreign currency and old British and Irish money to support the work of the SVP. Please drop it 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.

English Martyrs School Admissions 2025-26 – English Martyrs is our local Catholic primary school (St Mark's Street, E1 8DJ). Tours of the school for prospective parents each Tuesday 9.30am-11.00am, Tuesday 5th November to Tuesday 7th January. No appointment necessary. Places available in most classes. For more information, or to make separate arrangements, contact the school office: 020 7709 0182

Certificates of Catholic Practice for secondary school and sixth form admissions in September 2025. 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.

Bingo for the Over 50s – Next bingo to be advised – works needed in the Parish Hall.

Catholicism for the Curious – Thursday 31st October, 7.30pm, Presbytery.

Church Cleaning – Saturday 2nd November, Maria's team, 10.30am.

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

Prophets (Bible Timeline) – Next session this Monday 28th October, 7pm, Presbytery.

Parish Movie Nights – Saturday 9th November, 8pm, 'Paul, Apostle of Christ' (2018) in the Upper Room. Bring your own snacks and drinks. Programme on notice board.

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.

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

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.