St Patrick's Catholic Church

Parish of Wapping, Archdiocese of Westminster

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, King of the Universe (Year B)

24th November 2024

SAT 23 Nov	6.30pm		William & Kathleen Aldridge RIP
SUN 24	10.00am ▶	**+ OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**	Julian Robinson RIP Anni. & HS
	6.30pm		People of the Parish & HS
MON 25	10.00am ▶	Feria	Christina Kumar RIP & HS
TUE 26	10.00am ▶	Feria	Eileen & Michael Hart RIP Anni.
WED 27	*No Mass*	Feria	
THU 28	6.30pm ▶	Feria	Private Intention & Holy Souls
FRI 29	6.30pm ▶	Feria	Private Intention & Holy Souls
SAT 30	10.00am ▶	ST ANDREW, Apostle, Patron of Scotland	Private Intention & Holy Souls
	6.30pm		Ravi & Chriss Kumar, & Kathleen Aspell RIP & HS
SUN 1 Dec	10.00am ▶	+ 1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year C)	People of the Parish
	6.30pm		Ravi & Chriss RIP, & Sheila Kumar, & Kathleen Aspell 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-7.00pm (Fri 8.00pm).

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

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

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Parish Priest: Fr Andrew Connick
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PARISH OFFICE: Mon, Tue & Fri 10am-2pm

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THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

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.

December: For Pilgrims of Hope. Let us pray that this Jubilee strengthen us in our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

PARISH NOTICES

Advent Healing Service, next Sunday, 1st December, 11.15am – We welcome Steve and Geraldine to lead prayers for inner, physical, and family healing. Come and feel the Lord's love move in powerful and miraculous ways.

Shadow Puppet Nativity, Sunday 15th December, 5.30pm – The Sunday Catechesis children will present the nativity story told through shadow puppets. We will bless the outdoor crib and turn on the Christmas lights at 6.30pm Mass, following by a bonfire in the playground with hot chocolate, mulled wine, and mince pies. Save the date!

Pensioners' Christmas Party – Thursday 12th December 12.30pm, organised by the parish as usual, but this year held at Pollyanna, Raine House, Wapping Lane. Free of charge. This is always a fabulous event so please contact Jo in the Parish Office to reserve your place. joanncondon@rcdow.org.uk | 020 7481 2202

Camino Pilgrimage – 8-day parish pilgrimage to walk approximately 120km of the Camino de Santiago, the famous walking pilgrimage to the shrine of St James that ends in the city of Santiago de Compostela, Spain. Friday 23rd May to Friday 30th May 2025, provisional cost £1000 per person sharing (£380 single room supplement). This will be confirmed shortly. Details of the route and the places through which we will walk are online. Please register your interest by Monday 25th November:
https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wapping/events/camino/

Sick & Retired Priests Collection – Thank you for so generously supporting the collection last weekend. Envelopes are available still at the back of church, and you can use the contactless devices or donate online. Please keep our sick and retired priests in your prayers. https://rcdow.org.uk/donations/sick-and-retired-priests-fund/

Readers and Stewards – We are looking for new readers and stewards for the weekend Masses. Please speak to Fr Andrew or email the Parish Office.

Parish Movie Night, Saturday 14th December, 8pm, Upper Room – 'Breakthrough' (2019). When Joyce's adopted son John falls through an icy Missouri lake, all hope seems lost as John lies lifeless. In the face of every bleak medical case history and dire scientific prediction, Joyce's unwavering faith inspires her community to pray for John's recovery. Based on an incredible true story, 'Breakthrough' is an enthralling reminder that faith and love can create a mountain of hope and sometimes even a miracle. Film rating: 12.

"Operation Elf" – This is our partnership with PACT and HMP Belmarsh to supply 80 Christmas presents for children with a father in prison. Please take a tag from the tree and choose an appropriate present for that child. Gifts should be no more than **£15**. Unfortunately, due to prison security regulations, they cannot accept second hand or used items, electronic or battery-operated toys, toy guns or weapons, modelling clay or slime, or anything edible. In addition, **gifts must not be wrapped, as they will be inspected before entering the prison for security reasons.** Gift bags or carrier bags are fine. You can leave your gifts in the sack in the sacristy or drop at the Parish Office, **no later than Tuesday 2nd December** to be in time for the Prison Family Funday.

Caritas Giving Calendar – Supporting our local foodbank this Christmas. Please take a calendar. Each day in Advent, find the corresponding sheep on the calendar, for ideas on what to buy/add to your collection. You can team up with other families too and share the collecting between you or maybe just collect a few items, it is entirely up to you. When you have finished you can bring the collected items to church and leave them with Lucy/Jo in the parish office. The items will need to be transported to the foodbank the week before Christmas to ensure they can reach families on time.

St Vincent de Paul Society - Thank you for your support to the Wapping SVP and for your generosity. Following the recent fundraising call, the SVP has raised a total of £542.64 (excluding Gift Aid), which will go towards providing practical help to residents in need. For more information on how to continue to support the SVP:
https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wapping/parish-groups/svp/

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 primary school admissions in September 2025. If you are at Mass over the weekend, please speak to Fr Andrew afterwards. The local authority deadline for primary school applications is 15th January. 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 in The Turner's Old Star, 10th December, 12.30pm.

Catholicism for the Curious – Thursday 28th November, 7.30pm, Presbytery.

Church Cleaning – Saturday 30th November, Naomi/Michelle's team, 8.30am.

Foreign/Old Currency Collection for the SVP – Please leave in an envelope or bag marked "SVP" in the sacristy after Mass, or in the Presbytery letterbox.

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

Prophets (Bible Timeline) – Next session Monday 25th November, 7pm, Presbytery.

Parish Movie Nights – Saturday 14th December, 8pm, 'Breakthrough' (2019) in the Upper Room. Bring your own snacks and drinks. Programme on notice board.

Rosary Group – Thursdays in church at 7pm. Also, daily Rosary at home via WhatsApp. Prayer for the intentions of the Church, parish and all parishioners.

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

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

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

Youth Catechesis – Sundays 5pm, for years 7-13. New programme launches soon.

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



DIOCESAN NOTICES

Westminster Cathedral Christmas Celebration, Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th December, 7.30pm – The annual 'Christmas Celebration' concerts at Westminster Cathedral with the usual blend of festive music and readings pondering the Incarnation of Christ, with celebrity readers and the Cathedral Choir and Orchestra, under the direction of Simon Johnson.

https://www.ticketmaster.co.uk/westminster-cathedral-choir-tickets/artist/1693906

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2025 – The annual diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by the Cardinal, will take place next year from 25th July to 1st August. The booking platform will soon be open for Volunteer Helpers, Medics, Assisted Pilgrims, Clergy and others who wish to take part. Parish and school groups are also encouraged to join. For more information: https://rcdow.org.uk/pilgrimages/lourdes/

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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.