St Patrick's Catholic Church

Parish of Wapping, Archdiocese of Westminster

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

16th February 2025

SAT 15 Feb	6.30pm		James Kelly RIP (Anni.)
SUN 16	10.00am	+ SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Michael Francis Hart RIP (B'day)
	6.30pm		Andrew von Bratt RIP
MON 17	10.00am	Feria	Bianca's family (Ints)
TUE 18	10.00am	Feria	Winifred Potter (Ints)
WED 19	*No Mass*	Feria	
THU 20	6.30pm	Feria	Diego Prandina RIP & Luana, Giorgio & Luca Prandina (Ints)
FRI 21	6.30pm	Feria	Sharon Israel (B'day Ints)
SAT 22	10.00am	THE CHAIR OF ST PETER THE APOSTLE	Stephanie Jeavons (Ints)
	6.30pm		Dora Israel RIP (B'day)
SUN 23	10.00am	+ SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Max Pasterny (B'day Ints)
	6.30pm		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 (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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THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

February: For vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

FR DANIELE WRITES:

Welcome to Bishop Giuseppe and Fr Roberto

On this sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time, we will have as our guests Bishop Giuseppe Pellegrini and Fr Roberto Tondato. They are visiting Wapping from Italy, from my Diocese of Concordia-Pordenone, to visit me. Bishop Giuseppe cares deeply for all his priests, especially the younger ones, and is always attentive to their ministry, their life, and their needs. Fr Roberto is the Vicar General of the diocese. He was Rector of the seminary during the time when I was a seminarian. Like the Bishop, Fr Roberto is also linked by personal affection and friendship to me. They also come to thank the Archdiocese of Westminster in the person of Bishop Nicholas Hudson and Fr Andrew for the hospitality they are giving me during this period. We welcome them and wish them a pleasant stay in London in our parish!

Wishing you all God's blessing for the week ahead, Fr Daniele.

PARISH NOTICES

This Week: Evangelisation & Culture Conference: The Bible, with Bishop Robert Barron, Friday 21st (from 4pm) & Saturday 22nd February (all day), at the Excel London (Royal Docks). This conference on the Bible is about proclaiming Christ in the culture, including these several talks with excellent speakers. Last minute call for anyone with an interest in evangelisation, who might be able to attend. Fr Andrew and a couple of parishioners are going, and we could go together as a group, if you let him know. Tickets are £109 for both days, or £79 for Saturday only.

https://events.wordonfire.org/the-bible-event

Life in the Spirit Seminar Weekend, 8-9th March, including Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, praise and worship, inspirational talks, fellowship, and more. Led by Catholic evangelists John Hesketh and Daniella Stephens. Full programme on the noticeboard and online. Saturday begins with Mass at 10am and concludes at 4.30pm. Sunday begins with Mass at 10am and concludes at 6.15pm. Lunch is provided both days, for those who wish, but please register your attendance:

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

Prayer for the Holy Land – In the light of the current critical situation in the Holy Land, our bishop, Cardinal Nichols, has encouraged us, very simply, to pray earnestly for the continuation of the ceasefire between Israel and Hamas, and for peace.

Infant Baptism Preparation – For parents with a child for Baptism. The preparation course will take place on Sunday 2nd and 9th March immediately after the 10am morning Mass in the sacristy. Attendance at both sessions is required. Please sign up using the link below: https://rcwapping.typeform.com/baptism

Parent & Baby Group, "Les bébés de Mary", Friday 28th February, 10.30am – We're excited to start this brand-new group and would love for you to join us! Meeting in the presbytery. Angie, Lucy, and Marie warmly welcome all parents with little ones (not yet walking) to come along for a relaxed and friendly gathering. It's a great chance to share in our faith, support one another on the amazing journey of parenthood, and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee together. As the group grows, we hope to invite guest speakers to chat about different aspects of parenting and how it connects with our Catholic faith. We'd love to see you there!

Youth Group for Years 7 to 13 – Thank you to all those who attended the first meeting of the youth group. Date of our next session to be confirmed. Sessions follow Saturday Mass at 6.30pm, in the Upper Room, with faith-filled Catholic discussions, pizza, and fun activities. Please register: http://rcwapping.typeform.com/youthgroup

VE Day Celebrations, 8th May – This year is the 80th anniversary of the end of the Second World War in Europe. The Turks Head Charity are looking for memories from people living or working in Wapping about VE Day. Those memories can be from any place affected by the Second World War and even if not a photo, maybe just a passed down nugget of information about that time. Please send any material, or if further information is required or help with scanning photographs/articles, contact Amanda: turksheadcharity@gmail.com

DIOCESAN NOTICES

Mass for Bereaved Parents, Saturday 5th April, 2pm, Westminster Cathedral – Celebrated by Bishop Paul McAleenan.

Annual Mass for Matrimony, Saturday 17th May, 2.30pm, Westminster Cathedral – The Cardinal invites couples celebrating significant wedding anniversaries this year (5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th+). Please email Fr Andrew for an invitation.

Chorister Opportunities at Westminster Cathedral Choir School – Boys join in years 4 or 5, with up to 100% bursaries available. Find out more in a 30-minute Zoom call on Wednesday 12th March, giving a behind-the-scenes look at the life of a chorister, what it means to board, and why being in a top choir is such a joyous experience.

Email: lfreeman@choirschool.com

REGULAR NOTICES

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

Bingo for the Over 50s – Next bingo Tuesday 18th February, in The Turner's Old Star.

Catholicism for the Curious – Thursday 20th February 7.30pm, Presbytery.

Church Cleaning – Saturday 22nd February, Naomi'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.

Les bébés de Mary, Parent & Baby Group – Friday 28th February, 10.30am, Presbytery.

Luke (Bible Timeline) – Next session Monday 17th February, 7pm, Presbytery.

Praise and Worship Group – Fridays 7-8pm in the church.

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. Next session 2nd March, in the Meeting Room, accessed via the Kitchen Garden.

Youth Group – Next session TBC, Upper Room, for school years 7-13.

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



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. No sessions during half term, returning 2nd March.

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/

Livestreaming – A reminder that Mass is livestreamed most days on our YouTube channel. The camera is focussed on the sanctuary, to avoid capturing images of the people at Mass. However, those standing in the front two pews are occasionally visible, as is the procession to Holy Communion. Any questions, speak to Fr Andrew.

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.