St Patrick's Catholic Church

Parish of Wapping, Archdiocese of Westminster

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PENTECOST SUNDAY (Year C)

8th June 2025

SAT 7 Jun	6.30pm			Bianca and Matas (Ints)
SUN 8	10.00am	▶	**+ PENTECOST SUNDAY**	People of the Parish
	6.30pm			Fr Scotus Fernandez RIP
MON 9	10.00am	▶	Mary, Mother of the Church	Derek Savage RIP
TUE 10	10.00am	▶	Feria, Week 10 of Year I	Dan McAlinden Sr. RIP
WED 11	*No Mass*		St Barnabas, Apostle	
THU 12	6.30pm	▶	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST	Terry, Therese & Hannah RIP (B'day)
FRI 13	6.30pm	▶	St Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor	Dora Israel RIP (Anni)
SAT 14	10.00am	▶	Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday	Sorasak A. Macdonald RIP
	6.30pm			Dora Israel RIP (Anni)
SUN 15	10.00am	▶	**+ THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**	Ravindra Kumar RIP
	6.30pm			Private Intention

Masses marked ▶ are livestreamed on YouTube: www.youtube.com/rcwapping

Sacrament of Penance (Confession): Saturday & Sunday 6.00pm.

Church Open for Individual Prayer: Daily 7.00am-7.00pm.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday 7.00-8.00pm.

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

youtube.com /rcwapping | facebook.com /rcwapping | x.com @rcwapping

Parish Priest: Fr Andrew Connick
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In Residence: Fr Daniele Falcomer

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THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

June: That the world might grow in compassion. Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

FR ANDREW WRITES:

Pentecost Sunday

We have reached the end of Eastertide. At the conclusion of Christ's Passion, Death, Resurrection, and Ascension, he breathed the Holy Spirit into the apostles on this Pentecost day, animating the life of the Church. The mission of the Lord Jesus is now brought to completion in the Church through the Holy Spirit. He prepares us with grace to know Christ; he opens our minds to understand Christ; he makes present the mystery of Christ, supremely in the Eucharist; he draws us into communion as the Mystical Body of Christ; and he drives us to proclaim Christ to the world.

At your Baptism and Confirmation, the Holy Spirit descended upon you, too. The creator of the universe is within you, the One who flows from the love of Father and Son, drawing you into God's inner life. He gives you spiritual gifts to help you fulfil your part of the mission of the Church. I recommend praying to the Holy Spirit often. The first prayer I say on waking each morning is just this: Come, Holy Spirit…

With my prayers and best wishes, and a happy Pentecost, Fr Andrew.

FROM THE BUILDINGS AND FINANCE COMMITTEES:

Refurbishment of the Church

In 2021 we presented a Master Plan to the parish for the overall precinct, including the Church, Presbytery, Private Flat, Parish Centre, and playground. The Buildings Committee has been working since with specialist consultants to develop a proposal for the much-needed refurbishment of the church. This process has involved several design iterations with the Architect, Structural Engineer, and MEP Services Engineer, as well as consultation with the relevant committees within the Diocese of Westminster.

The design proposal seeks to replace the floor slab, re-order the sanctuary, and re-instate the original decorative features of the church especially at the east-end. To facilitate a sustainable and self-sufficient future for the church, the ambition is to

install underfloor heating, driven by air-source heat pumps and solar panels, to install double glazing, insulate the roof, and to install LED light fittings.

Strategic elements in the proposal include the creation of a chapel to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, accessible confessionals, and new WC. We hope to submit a planning application to Tower Hamlets and an initial application for listed building consent to the Historic Churches Committee by the end of the year. We look forward to sharing the RIBA Stage 3 design proposal with you all. We need to receive permissions for the proposed development before delivering the works themselves, which will be delivered in phases subject to funding. It is an ambitious project to reinstate the beauty of St Patrick's interior, originally paid for by the founding parishioners of the late 1800s, and to make the church fit for future generations of faithful in Wapping.

PARISH NOTICES

First Holy Communions – This Sunday 10am children from the parish are receiving the Lord Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion. Please pray for their continued journeys in faith.

Little Sisters of the Poor – Next weekend we welcome Srs Maria and Margaret, Little Sisters of the Poor, from St Anne's Home in Stoke Newington. They will make an appeal for their work with the elderly after each of the Sunday Masses.

Volunteering – Thank you to everyone who completed our volunteering forms. We are working our way through them and, if we haven't already, will be in touch shortly. If you missed out, there is still a chance to get involved:

https://rcwapping.typeform.com/volunteering

"Emmaus" – Jubilee Festival for Youth, SPEC Diocesan Retreat Centre (Pinner), 2-3 August, including Mass with Cardinal Nichols, One Hope Project leading music, praise, and worship, adoration, panel discussions, workshops, campfires. 18-25 year olds will be one group for the weekend. 14-17 year olds will be welcomed as a separate group and need to go as a group with a group leader. If there is interest in the parish, we can organise something. Please speak to Fr Andrew or Fr Daniele. More information:

https://youth.rcdow.org.uk/jubilee-year-2025/emmausfestival/

DIOCESAN NOTICES

Central London Corpus Christi Procession – The Diocesan Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament, Corpus Christi, Maiden Lane, Sunday 22nd June, 11am: Mass celebrated by

the Abbot of Farnborough, followed by the annual Corpus Christi Procession through central London, in two parts. The first half begins after Mass with a procession to Our Lady of the Assumption and St Gregory, Warwick Street. Here will then be a period of adoration and break for lunch. At 3.30pm, the procession will continue to St James's, Spanish Place, concluding with Benediction. catholiclondon.org

Upper Room Leadership Programme 2025-26 – Organised by Westminster Youth Ministry, the programme is aimed at 18-30 year olds interested in leading a parish youth group. Starting in October 2025, the year-long programme will accompany future leaders on their journey of faith and equip them with the necessary practical skills such as activities planning, safeguarding training, public speaking and more. The entire programme concludes with an opportunity to participate in the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes as chaplains to the Redcaps. There is no cost of joining the programme but the Parish Priest's recommendation is required. More information: https://youth.rcdow.org.uk/outreach/upper-room-leadership-programme/

REGULAR NOTICES

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

And for the recently deceased, including: Joan Paris.

Bingo for the Over 50s – Tuesday 10th June, 12.30pm, in St Patrick's Parish Hall.

Catholicism for the Curious – More information to follow shortly.

Church Cleaning – Saturday 14th June, Beryl's team, 10.30am.

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 – Next session to be confirmed.

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, in the Meeting Room, accessed via the Kitchen Garden. Next session Sun 15th June.

Youth Group – 7.30pm, Upper Room, school years 7-13. Next session Sat 28th June.

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

Parent & Baby Group, "Les bébés de Mary"– For parents with little ones (not yet walking) and those who are expecting, a relaxed and friendly gathering in the Presbytery with Lucy, Angie, and Marie. It's a great chance to share in our faith, support one another, 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. Please do come along. Next session to be confirmed soon. Please contact Lucy in the parish office if you would like to come along.

lucyknights@rcdow.org.uk

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. Next session 15th June.

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.