

ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish of Wapping, Archdiocese of Westminster

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TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

12th October 2025

SAT 11 Oct	6.30pm		People of the Parish
SUN 12	10.00am 	+ TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Christopher Soltysiak (B'day Ints)
	6.30pm		Alessio Paglialunga (Ints)
MON 13	10.00am 	ST EDWARD THE CONFESSOR	Sheila Kumar (Thanksgiving)
TUE 14	10.00am 	Feria	Zulekha Ameer RIP
WED 15	No Mass	St Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor	
THU 16	6.30pm 	Feria	Private Intention
FRI 17	6.30pm 	St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr	Kathleen Aspell RIP
SAT 18	10.00am 	ST LUKE, Evangelist	Alexandra Kargul RIP Anni.
	6.30pm		Joan & David Paris Senior RIP
SUN 19	10.00am 	+ TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Julian Robinson RIP Anni.
	6.30pm		People of the Parish

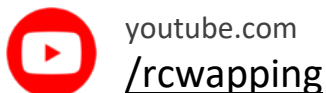
Masses marked  are livestreamed on YouTube: www.youtube.com/rcwapping

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

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Sunday 5.45-6.15pm. Friday 7.00-8.00pm.

The Rosary: Thursday 7.00pm.



Parish Priest: Fr Andrew Connick
andrewconnick@rcdow.org.uk (Day Off: Wednesday)

In Residence: Fr Daniele Falcomer

Safeguarding: Adele Schirinzi
wappingsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

PARISH OFFICE: Mon, Tue & Fri 10am-3pm

Parish Secretary: Lucy Knights
lucyknights@rcdow.org.uk

Events Coordinator: Joann Condon
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FR ANDREW WRITES:

Dilexi Te (“I have loved you”)

Pope Leo XIV has issued his first Apostolic Exhortation, titled “Dilexi te” (“I have loved you”, Revelation 3:9), on love for the poor. He explains that it is a text that Pope Francis was preparing in the last months of his life, and that he has made it his own.

The Holy Father considers the many faces of poverty, including the materially poor, the socially marginalised, the poverty of those without rights and freedom, and new forms of poverty. He criticises “the dictatorship of an economy that kills” and our “throwaway culture” that extends even to indifference to the loss of human life. He devotes particular consideration to the issue of migration and our proper Christian response to refugees.

He concludes: “No Christian can regard the poor simply as a societal problem; they are part of our family. They are one of us.”

The full text:

https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/apost_exhortations/documents/20251004-dilexi-te.html

And a summary: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/dilexi-te-pope-leo-xivs-first-papal-document/>

Our Lady of Willesden Candlelit Procession for Vocations

This Sunday, 12th October, 7pm, join Bishop Jim Curry, the community of Allen Hall Seminary, and other pilgrims, at a candlelit procession in honour of Our Lady of Willesden, praying to Our Lady for the gift of priests for the Church. I shall be there! The procession begins from the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden (1 Nicoll Road, Willesden, NW10 9AX). Nearest station: Willesden Junction.

God bless you all, Fr Andrew.

THE HOLY FATHER’S PRAYER INTENTION

October: For collaboration between different religious traditions. Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

PARISH NOTICES

Funerals:

- **Marie Hart**, Tuesday 21st October, 11am.
- **Liam Unthank**, Monday 27th October, 11am.

Please pray for the happy repose of their souls, and for their families.

Month of the Holy Rosary – For October, the Month of the Holy Rosary, we are praying the Rosary at 6pm on Saturdays and Sundays. Please come and join in.

DIY Volunteers, next Saturday 18th October, 11am – A few weeks ago Fr Andrew asked for volunteers to help strip out a kitchen in the Parish Centre. That work was delayed, but we are now ready to go ahead next Saturday after the morning Mass. Please email Lucy or speak to Fr Andrew if you can help. lucyknight@rcdow.org.uk

“Hebrews: The New and Eternal Covenant”, Mondays 7pm, beginning Monday 20th October. This is one of the series of Bible Timeline courses we have been following, exploring the Letter to the Hebrews, drawing out the connections between the Old and New Testaments, the Liturgy, the Eucharist, the priesthood, and so much more. Register online: <https://rcwapping.typeform.com/hebrews>

A Cup of Christmas, Sunday 30th November, 11am – Our festive gathering, with mulled wine, hot chocolate, mince pies, and our usual selection of delicious cakes to enjoy, as we come together to celebrate the beginning of the Advent season. You’ll also find Christmas stalls selling cards and stocking fillers — perfect for some early gift shopping, a raffle — and a magical grotto for the children to visit. It promises to be a joyful occasion for all ages, so do come along and bring your friends and family.

Pensioners’ Christmas Party – Thursday 7th December, 12.30pm in the Parish Hall. Please email Jo, or phone Lucy in the Parish Office, to reserve your place.

joanncondon@rcdow.org.uk | 020 7481 2202

Catholicism for the Curious, Thursdays 7.30-8.30pm – This is for anyone who wants to know about Catholic faith (for both Catholics and non-Catholics), meeting in the Presbytery. Please register your interest: <https://rcwapping.typeform.com/wrcia>

Sunday Catechesis, 11am-12noon – Every Sunday in term-time, for children in school years 2-6, led by Joan, Angie, and Lucy, in the parish centre. If your child is new to catechesis, please introduce yourselves to the catechists at the session.

Youth Group for Years 7 to 13 – Next session Saturday 18th October, following Mass at 6.30pm, in the Upper Room, with faith-filled Catholic discussions, pizza, and fun activities. Please register: <http://rcwapping.typeform.com/youthgroup>

Certificates of Catholic Practice for secondary school admissions in September 2026. 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/>

DIOCESAN NOTICES

Jubilee Day for Catechists with Bishop Nicholas Hudson, 18th October, 10am-4pm, St Mary & St Joseph, Poplar (E14 6EZ) – All catechists are invited to this day on the theme of “Reawakening Blessed Hope”. Please bring a packed lunch. To book a place for the day, please contact Lucy in the parish office by Tuesday 30th September. You will then receive an email from the Agency for Evangelisation with more information.

PARISH GROUPS AND REGULAR ACTIVITIES

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

And for the recently deceased, including: Marie Hart, Liam Unthank.

Bingo for the Over 50s – Tuesday 14th October, 12.30pm, in St Patrick’s Parish Hall.

Catholicism for the Curious – Thursday 16th October, 7.30-8.30pm, Presbytery.

Church Cleaning – Saturday 18th October, Maria’s team, 10.30am (change to rota!).

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.

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

Sunday Catechesis (School Years 2-6) – Sundays 11am-12noon in the Parish Hall.

Youth Group (School Years 7-13) – Saturday 18th October, 7.30pm, Upper Room.

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

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!

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.

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>

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.