St Patrick's Catholic Church

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (Year A)

22nd March 2026

SAT 21 Mar	6.30pm		Helen Clark RIP
SUN 22	10.00am ▶	+ FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	Canon Digby Samuels RIP Anni.
	6.30pm		Margaret Harries RIP Anni.
MON 23	10.00am ▶	Lent Feria	Private Intention
TUE 24	10.00am ▶	Lent Feria	Private Intention
WED 25	10.00am ▶	**THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD**	Louise Wood (Ints)
THU 26	6.30pm ▶	Lent Feria	Ravindra Kumar RIP (B'day)
FRI 27	**11.30am**	**Funeral of Victoria Kamm RIP**	
	6.30pm ▶	Lent Feria	Aine ni Ceallaigh RIP
SAT 28	**8.00am** ▶	Lent Feria	Andrew Small & Janka Oertel (Ints)
	6.30pm		Dora Israel RIP (B'day)
SUN 29	10.00am ▶	**+ PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**	Amelia (1st B'day Ints)
	6.30pm		Maria & Franciszek Pasterny RIP

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

Sacrament of Penance (Confession): Friday 7.30pm. 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 7.30-8.00pm.

The Rosary: Thursday 7.00pm. **Stations of the Cross:** Friday 7.00pm.

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FR ANDREW WRITES:

Next Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord – Next Sunday**,** 10.00am Mass will begin in the Rose Garden (opposite the Marine Police Headquarters), with the blessing of palms and procession to church. This commemorates the joyful entry into Jerusalem of the Lord Jesus, just a few days before his Passion and Death. (In case of rain, Mass will begin in the church as usual).

The Saturday and Sunday evening Masses next weekend will take place in church as usual, and will include the blessing of palms.

Selection Advisory Conference – This weekend is the annual Selection Advisory Conference at Allen Hall Seminary. It's the penultimate step for those applying this year to enter seminary and begin formation for the priesthood. Candidates are interviewed by a panel comprised of priests and laypeople, drawn from across the diocese, who make recommendations to the Archbishop. Please pray for the Holy Spirit to guide the candidates and selectors. I am responsible for this process, as Vocations Director, and shall be away this weekend. My thanks to Canon Colin Davies for celebrating Mass.

Easter Break – To the many families going away this Easter, I wish you safe travels and the Lord's blessing for this Holy Week and Easter. These are the greatest feasts of the Church's year and celebrate the heart of our Christian faith. Wherever you are, please try to join the Paschal Triduum (Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday) if you can.

With my prayers and best wishes for you all, Fr Andrew.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Thursday 2nd April (Maundy Thursday)

6.30pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday 3rd April (Good Friday)

3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

6.30pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday 4th April (Holy Saturday)

8.00pm Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

Sunday 5th April (Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection)

10.00am Easter Mass

(No evening Mass on Easter Sunday)

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

March: For disarmament and peace. Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

PARISH NOTICES

Masses this Week:

- **Wednesday 10am** – Mass for the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord.
- **Saturday 8am** rather than 10am.

A polite reminder that there should be no eating or drinking in church. For babies and very small children, if they need to eat please use the area provided in the back chapel and ensure that any food waste or rubbish is disposed of in the bins provided.

Faith in Every Footstep – Good Friday Art Workshop for Children – Friday 3rd April, 10am-1pm. We are excited to tell you that we are leading another creative art workshop for children in school years 1 to 6 in the Parish Centre on Good Friday. The workshop will include games, stories, drama, and art activities centred around our faith journeys, led by Angie, Lucy and other catechists. If you have any questions, please contact Lucy in the Parish Office. Spaces are limited so please register your child in advance: https://rcwapping.typeform.com/goodfridayart

St Patrick's Day Tea Party, this Sunday 22nd March after 10am Mass – You are invited to join us in the parish centre for refreshments and entertainment to celebrate our wonderful St Patrick's parish and community, in honour of our heavenly patron. All welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

Young Adults' Group – We want to start a new group in the parish for young adults (18+), providing an opportunity for socialising, mutual support and Christian fellowship, and, depending on the wishes of the group, maybe some faith formation and service of the parish community. Please register your interest here: https://rcwapping.typeform.com/youngadults

Easter Offering – If you are away over Easter, please consider making your Easter offering before you go. The offerings at Christmas and Easter make up the priest's salary for the year. There are donation envelopes at the back of church, just write "Easter Offering" and place in the collection or drop at the Presbytery (Dundee Street).

Sacrament of Penance (Confession): Fridays 7.30pm (after Stations of the Cross, and during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament), Saturdays and Sundays 6.00pm.

Funeral Mass of Victoria Kamm RIP, Friday 27th March, 11.30am – Please pray for the happy repose of her soul, and for her family. May she rest in peace.

Lenten Alms (Jesuit Refugee Service) – As usual, our parish is nominating the Jesuit Refugee Service, based here in Wapping, as the recipient of our Lenten almsgiving. In Lent we fast, pray and give alms. You may have your own almsgiving project in mind, but if not, the money box nearest the sacristy door is for Lenten alms donations. More information about the work of JRS: jrsuk.net

PARISH GROUPS AND REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Bingo for the Over 50s – Tuesday 31st March, 12.30pm, in St Patrick's Parish Hall.

Catholicism for the Curious – Thursday 26th March, 7.30pm, in the Presbytery.

Church Cleaning – Saturday 28th March, 10.30am. Beryl's Team.

Hebrews Bible Timeline – Next session Monday 23rd March, 7pm, in the Presbytery.

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

Sunday 10am Mass Tea & Coffee – Please join us after Mass. If you would like to help, please contact Lucy in the parish office.

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

Youth Adults' Group (18+) – Starting soon. See newsletter above.

Youth Group (School Years 7-13) – Saturday 21st March at 7.30pm, in the 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)

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