St Patrick's Catholic Church

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (Year A) — 29th March 2026

SAT 28 Mar	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
MON 30	10.00am	Monday of Holy Week	Daud Mubarak RIP
TUE 31	10.00am	Tuesday of Holy Week	Private Thanksgiving
WED 1 Apr	*No Mass*	Wednesday of Holy Week	
		The Sacred Paschal Triduum	
THU 2	**6.30pm**	**Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper**	Vocations to the Priesthood
FRI 3	**3.00pm**	**The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord**	
	6.30pm	Stations of the Cross	
SAT 4	**8.00pm**	**The Easter Vigil in the Holy night**	Kumar & Aspell Families
SUN 5	10.00am	+ **EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**	People of the Parish
	~~6.30pm~~	*No Evening Mass on Easter Sunday*	

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:

The Sacred Paschal Triduum

This is Holy Week, the most important week of the liturgical year. During Holy Week, the Church recalls the suffering and death of Jesus Christ and celebrates the startling revelation of his Resurrection from the dead.

The culmination of Holy Week is three days of prayer and worship. These three celebrations are really a single liturgy encompassing the whole mystery at the heart of our faith:

- The **Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper** (Maundy Thursday, **6.30pm**) at which we commemorate the gift of the Blessed Eucharist, the means given to us by Christ of participating in the saving death he underwent on the Cross.
- The **Celebration of the Passion** (Good Friday, **3.00pm**) at which we mourn the death of the Lord Jesus, but also celebrate his death as the fulfilment of the Incarnation and the source of our salvation.
- The **Easter Vigil in the Holy Night** (Holy Saturday, **8.00pm**) at which the Church remembers the joyous and startling revelation of Christ's resurrection from the dead, and the promise of our eternal salvation in him.

These three celebrations are referred to together as the "Sacred Paschal Triduum". They make the greatest sense when celebrated together. Our preparations throughout Lent are not simply about self-improvement and detachment from sin and worldly addictions, but a preparation for this great act of worship.

Please note there is Mass at 10.00am on Easter Sunday, <u>but no 6.30pm Mass</u>.

If you are going away for the Easter holidays, I wish you and your families the blessings of this holy time. Please do join the celebrations in the parish local to you.

May the Lord bless this Holy Week, Fr Andrew.

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.

April: For priests in crisis. Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

PARISH NOTICES

Silence after Palm Sunday Mass – One of the ways we mark the beginning of Holy Week is to finish the Palm Sunday Mass in silence. You are asked to respect the solemnity of this time by departing the church as quietly as possible after Mass.

Chrism Mass, Tuesday 31st March, 12noon, Westminster Cathedral – The priests of the diocese gather with our Archbishop to bless the new holy oils to be used for the sacraments in the coming year, and renew their ordination promises. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Altar Servers for Holy Week – Inviting all altar servers to serve during the Holy Week and Easter liturgies, to mark this greatest week in the Church's year with solemnity. Please let Fr Andrew know.

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

Good Friday, Stations of the Cross, 6.30pm, in addition to the 3.00pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord.

Preparations for Easter, Saturday 4th April, 10.30am – There is lots to do to prepare and decorate the church for Easter, and we need help next Saturday, 10.30am. With enough volunteers, it will take an hour at the most. Please come and help if you can.

St Patrick's Day Tea Party, thank you to everyone who helped make last Sunday's St Patrick's Day Tea Party such a success. There are too many people to name individually, but your help was greatly appreciated. It was great to see such a strong turnout and to have our community come together to celebrate our patronal saint. Thank you to everyone who took part. We raised £500 which will go towards our Parish Centre renovation fund.

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).

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

PARISH GROUPS AND REGULAR ACTIVITIES

200 Club: March Draw – Winning numbers 15, 2, 13, and 34. Thank you for playing!

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

Catholicism for the Curious – Thursday 16th April, 7.30pm in the presbytery.

Church Cleaning – Saturday 13th April, 10.30am. Beryl's Team.

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) – Next session to be confirmed.

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/

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