St Patrick's Catholic Church

Parish of Wapping, Archdiocese of Westminster

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PENTECOST SUNDAY (Year A)

24th May 2026

SAT 23 May	6.30pm		Paul & Rudo Rabvukwa (Ints)
SUN 24	10.00am	**+ PENTECOST SUNDAY**	People of the Parish
	6.30pm		Marie Tisi RIP
MON 25	**11.00am**	Mary, Mother of the Church	Private Intention
TUE 26	10.00am	St Philp Neri, Priest	John Stone RIP
WED 27	*No Mass*	ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, Bishop	
THU 28	6.30pm	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST	Private Intention
FRI 29	6.30pm	Feria	Marie-Cecil Marie RIP
SAT 30	10.00am	Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday	Marek Pasterny (Ints)
	6.30pm		Joan Paris RIP
SUN 31	10.00am	**+ THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**	Marek Pasterny (Thanksgiving)
	6.30pm		Maria & Franciscek Pasterny

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

Sacrament of Penance (Confession): Friday 7.00pm. 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.

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

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

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THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

May: That everyone might have food. Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

https://www.popesprayer.va/praywiththepope/

ARCHBISHOP'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Week Four: For priests serving in the parish and diocese.

https://rcdow.org.uk/month-of-prayer-for-priestly-vocations/

FR ANDREW WRITES:

The Holy Spirit

The late Pope Benedict XVI said that the Holy Spirit "has been in some ways the neglected person of the Blessed Trinity." We don't often speak of the Holy Spirit directly.

The Holy Spirit is a distinct person of the Holy Trinity. We say in the Creed that he "proceeds from the Father and the Son." He was not created, he exists eternally, *coming forth* from the Father and the Son. The Holy Spirit is the personification of the relationship of self-giving love between the Father and the Son.

Ten days after the Ascension of Jesus, the Holy Spirit poured into the apostles on this Pentecost day, and the Lord Jesus was born again in the Church. He is the animating principle of the Church, through the power of the Holy Spirit. The reason we don't often speak of the Holy Spirit directly is that he points always to Christ. 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 with Christ. He does not speak about himself.

At your Baptism and Confirmation, the Holy Spirit descended upon you and made his home with you. The creator of the universe is with you, the one who flows from the love of Father and Son, drawing you into that inner life of God. Through the Spirit in you, Christ continues his work in the world. I recommend praying to the Holy Spirit often. The first prayer I say on waking each morning is just this: Come, Holy Spirit.

I'm away for the next few days, returning on Friday. My thanks to Fr Crescent for covering Masses in my absence. I know you will make him welcome.

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

PARISH NOTICES

Bank Holiday Monday – Mass at 11am.

No livestreaming Monday-Friday while Fr Andrew is away.

Thank you to the many parishioners who made our celebrations of Confirmation and First Holy Communion so special last weekend. It was a joy to welcome family and friends to our parish, and to witness this new work of God in our young people. The church looked beautiful, and the liturgy was uplifting and reverent. Thank you.

Funeral of Ann Sullivan RIP, Friday 12th June, 11am. Please pray for the repose of her soul and for her family.

Pre-season CAFOD Kitchen Garden Sale after Sunday 10am Mass – Sale of courgette, chillis, peppers, aubergine & tomato plants. All proceeds to CAFOD.

Quiz Night, Friday 12th June, 7pm – Our great quiz master Daniel Brennan is back! Join us for a fun evening - £5 per person with a maximum of six people in a team. Option for fish and chip supper, fresh from the Town of Ramsgate, for £16 each. We have a bar and a raffle as well. All proceeds will go towards our restoration fund for the Parish Centre. Contact Jo to book a team: joanncondon@rcdow.org.uk

Young Adults – Please join us next Sunday 31st May, 7.30pm after the evening Mass for our inaugural gathering of our young adults' group. Apologies for the change of date. This first meeting will be a time for socialising. Please register your interest for the group here. https://rcwapping.typeform.com/youngadults

Church Cleaning – We desperately need more help with church cleaning on Saturdays. We have two teams who clean fortnightly, so it means an hour every four weeks. It's an act of service to care for the Lord's house, and an act of love to all our brothers and sisters who use the church. It's also a good chance to get to know some other parishioners. Please email the Parish Office: wapping@rcdow.org.uk | 020 7481 2202

Infant Baptism – The next Baptism preparation will take place over two sessions next weekend Saturday 30th/Sunday 31st May at 11am, in the Presbytery. Please complete the Baptism registration online at the link below and confirm attendance with Lucy in the Parish Office if you haven't already. Attendance at both sessions is required.

https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wapping/sacramental-prep/baptism/

Fundraising for St Patrick Wapping SVP - Next weekend (30th-31st May), there will be a second collection to support the work of the SVP in our parish, as well as a bake sale after the 10am Mass on Sunday. If you would like to contribute a cake, please let the office know. Please show your support to our local SVP Conference. The SVP helps those in need in the local community and is currently urgently fundraising to save a beneficiary from eviction and homelessness. More information on how to donate on the notice board. https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wapping/parish-groups/svp/.

English Martyrs Catholic Primary School is our local Catholic school. Stay connected with school life by reading their weekly newsletter at:
https://www.englishmartyrs.towerhamlets.sch.uk/school-newsletters.html

PARISH GROUPS AND REGULAR ACTIVITIES

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

And the recently departed, including: Ann Sullivan.

Bingo for the Over 50s – Tuesday 26th May, 12.30pm, in St Patrick's Parish Hall.

Catholicism for the Curious – Thursday 4th June, 7.30pm in the presbytery.

Church Cleaning – Saturday 6th June, 10.30am, Maria'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 Year 2) – Resumes after half term, Sunday 14th June, 11am.

Post-Communion Catechesis (School Years 3-6) – First session Sunday 14th June, 11am, Parish Centre. Future sessions, second Sunday of each month in term time only.

Youth Adults' Group (18+) – Next Sunday 31st May, 7.30pm, in the Presbytery.

Youth Group (School Years 7-13) – Next session TBA.

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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