St Patrick's Catholic Church

Parish of Wapping, Archdiocese of Westminster

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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A)

18th October 2026

SAT 17 Oct	6.30pm		McCarthy Family (Ints)
SUN 18	10.00am	+ TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	People of the Parish
	6.30pm		Sarah & Thomas Sullivan RIP
MON 19	10.00am	Feria	Stella & Bobby Cook RIP
TUE 20	10.00am	Feria	Pope Leo XIV (Ints)
WED 21	*No Mass*	Feria	
THU 22	6.30pm	Feria	James Aspell RIP
FRI 23	6.30pm	Feria	Private Intention
SAT 24	10.00am	Blessed Virgin Mary	Holy Souls
	6.30pm		People of the Parish
SUN 25	10.00am	+ THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Monica Clark RIP
	6.30pm		Maria & Franciszek Pasterny RIP

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: Friday 7.00-8.00pm.

The Rosary: Thursday 7.00pm.

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Parish Priest: Fr Andrew Connick
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(Day off: Wednesday)

In Residence: Fr Peter Harris
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Seminarian: John Osinkoya *(Sunday AM)*

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

Parish Secretary: Lucy Knights
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OUR ARCHBISHOP WRITES:

"It is with gratitude and relief that we learned that Pope Leo's surgery on Tuesday (13 October) at Rome's Gemelli Hospital was successful. We now know that Pope Leo was diagnosed with lung carcinoma and, in this month of the Holy Rosary, we entrust his recovery to the maternal care of Our Lady Health of the Sick.

"I ask that Catholics in England and Wales, and indeed all people of goodwill, pray for Pope Leo – in our homes and in our parishes – that he may be restored to full health after a period of rest and recuperation.

"We also remember all those who are experiencing illness at this time, and keep them, their families and those who care for the sick in our prayers."

+ Most Rev. Richard Moth, Archbishop of Westminster

Lord Jesus, we entrust to You our Holy Father, Pope Leo,
as he recovers from lung surgery.
Grant him the grace of serenity, and guide those who care for him,
that they may act with wisdom and attentiveness.
Grant him a swift and complete recovery, freeing him from all suffering.
Mary, Mother of the Church and Health of the Sick,
protect him under your mantle and be at his side at every moment. Amen.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

October: For mental health ministry. Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

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

PARISH NOTICES

No livestream of Monday 10am and Thursday 6.30pm Masses this week.

November Book of the Dead – Please take a sheet this weekend and fill in the names of your departed loved ones, so they can be included in the intention at Mass each day in November. You can return your list, together with an offering for Mass if you wish, next weekend or drop it through the Presbytery letterbox on Dundee Street.

St Patrick's Christmas Fair – Sunday 29th November, 11am-2pm. 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, craft stalls, and Father Christmas. We're looking for donations of bottles for the bottle stall, please, which can be left in the sacristy before/after Mass or at the Parish Office. Please save the date.

Pensioners' Christmas Party – Thursday 10th December, 12.30pm in the Parish Hall. Please email Jo or call the Parish Office to reserve your place.

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Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 16th-23rd July 2027 – We are arranging a parish group, staying together in a hotel, but ask that parishioners make their own travel arrangements. During the week, we will join the activities organised by the diocese. The cost for the accommodation is £400 per person (based of two people sharing), full board, including tourist tax and the pilgrim levy. For a single person in a single room, the cost is £519. For more information, please complete the form using the link below. We need a £100 deposit to secure a place, due by 2nd November.

https://rcwapping.typeform.com/lourdes2027

"Shakespeare's Cousin" – A play about Robert Southwell. Young radical genius. Saint. Best poet of his age. Shakespeare's favourite. Recently captured by notorious priest-hunter Sir Richard Topcliffe. Cancelled. Erased from history by the Reformation. His most heinous crime? Being a Jesuit priest. Written and directed by Jonathan Moore, a regular parishioner at St Patrick's. It is playing Tuesdays to Saturdays, from 10th November to 28th November, 7.30pm at the White Bear Theatre, Kennington. Tickets £23 standard, £18 concessions. Fr Andrew is planning to attend on Tuesday 24th November, if any parishioners want to join him. Please book your own tickets and, if you wish, let Fr Andrew or the Parish Office know that you're attending that day:

https://www.whitebeartheatre.co.uk/whatson/shakespeare's-cousin

"Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible" (New start date: Monday 26th October) – A short course of Bible study that reveals the "big picture" of Scripture, showing how fourteen key narrative books tell the story of salvation from Adam and Eve to Christ and the Church today. We will follow the major people, places, and events of the Bible to understand the story of Scripture and discover our place within it. Eight weeks, beginning Monday 26th October, 7pm, in the Presbytery. Please register:

https://rcwapping.typeform.com/bibletimeline

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/curious

Certificates of Catholic Practice for secondary school admissions in September 2027. 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/

Will Aid – Making or Updating your Will: Each November, participating solicitors across the UK take part in Will Aid. Instead of charging their usual fee for writing a basic Will, they invite you to make a voluntary donation to Will Aid's partner charities. You can find out more and search for a participating solicitor using the link below. If appropriate, you might even consider a gift to the parish. https://www.willaid.org.uk

PARISH GROUPS AND REGULAR ACTIVITIES

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

Bingo for the Over 50s – Tuesday 27th October, 12.30pm, in St Patrick's Parish Hall.

Catholicism for the Curious – Next session 15th October, 7.30pm in the Presbytery.

Church Cleaning – Saturday 24th October, 10.30am, Maria's team.

Monday Tea and Coffee – In the Presbytery after 10am Mass.

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) – Every Sunday during term time, 11.15am - 12.15am in the parish centre. Please see Lucy or Joan for more information.

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible – First session Mon 26 Oct, 7pm, Presbytery.

Youth Adults' Group (18+) – Next session TBC.

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

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



REGULAR NOTICES

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

Year 2-6 Catechesis, Sunday 27th September 11.15am-12.15am in the Parish Centre. Children in school year 2/3 must be attending one of the Sunday Masses alongside weekly catechesis sessions to be invited to join the First Holy Communion Programme beginning in the new year. Please complete the registration form for catechesis:
https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wapping/primary-catechesis/