



Catholic Cluster of Blessed Peter Wright

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Sunday 7th September 2025 XXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical Colour: **GREEN**

5:00pm(Sat) **(STM)** Vigil Holy Mass (Pro populo)
9:15am **(MHNJ)** Holy Mass (Ring family deceased RIP)
11:00am **(SPA)** Holy Mass (Kenneth Knox RIP)

Rest of the Week

Monday (SPA) *Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

10:00am Holy Mass

Tuesday (SPA) *Memorial of St Peter Claver*

09:00am Holy Mass

Thursday Feria

(MHNJ)

09:30am Holy Mass presided by Fr Mark Vickers

(SPA)

10:00am Holy Mass followed by **Holy Hour**

10:30-11:15am **CONFESSIONS**

Friday (MHNJ) *Memorial of the Most Holy Name of Mary*

10:00am Holy Mass followed by **CONFESSIONS**

MHNJ: Most Holy Name of Jesus church, OUNDLE

SPA: St Paul the Apostle church, THRAPSTON

STM: St Thomas More chapel, RAUNDS

Annual Parish Mass Count

The annual four weekly Mass count is to be taken at the end of September and beginning of October.

Week One: 20th/21st September

Week Two: 27th/28th September

Week Three: 4th/5th October

Week Four: 11th/12th October

MEETING TIMES THIS WEEK

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION COURSE

Monday September 8th at 5pm

PARISHIONERS PRAYER GROUP

Every Tuesday via Zoom at 7pm

RAUNDS PRAYER GROUP

Every Friday at St Thomas More chapel

2.00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy chaplet

3.00pm Stations of the Cross



Jubilee Year 2025

Pilgrims of Hope

to watch videos,
click on image.

CONFIRMATION 2025/2026

If you are a young person in year 8, 9, 10 or 11 and wish to be confirmed, forms are available at the back of each church.

Parish Giving

Regular standing order donations may be made directly to your Parish or by standing order:

St Paul the Apostle | Thrapston

St Thomas More | Raunds

Nat West

Account : RCDN St Pauls Parish Thrapston

Sort Code : 60-06-11

Account No: 65068874

The Most Holy Name of Jesus | Oundle

Nat West

Account Name : RCDN Most Holy Name of Jesus

Sort Code: 60-06-11

Account No : 46714626

Please complete a "Gift-Aid" declaration and your Parish receives tax refund cash on your behalf. Please ask for a form by email.



To sign-up to CASPAR, our Cluster Database, please use the QR Codes below or simply type in the address into your web browser.

Thrapston & Raunds



www.caspar.church/me?ID=56088

Oundle



www.caspar.church/me?ID=56072

Troubles with CASPAR?

If you have troubles viewing or receiving our Newsletter via CASPAR, please contact the support team via:

- Email Us at support@caspar.church
- Phone Us on 01440 730399

Parish Priest: **Fr Jonathan Creer**

Parish Secretary: **Meg Shepherd (Thurs 11.30am-1pm)**

Presbytery TEL. 01832 617 050

DIOCESAN NEWS: <https://northamptondiocese.org/news/>

email: parish.eastnorthants@northamptondiocese.org

Newsletter items to be emailed to Meg by **Wednesday**



CLUSTER NOTICES

Our Lady's Statue MHNJ and the Cluster

Those who have been a while in the parish will know that Fr Graham Platt, a former parish priest, brought a statue of Our Lady back from a shrine in France. The statue has been borrowed for a week or so, to take home to cherish, for a specific intention or thanksgiving but possibly just to enjoy a particular devotion to Our Lady. It's a small plain cream coloured statue (not the white one with gold trim) on the shelf in the porch, and there is bubble wrap and felt bags for safe transportation. Please sign the sheet when you borrow it. Fellow parishioners from Thrapston and Raunds are welcome to take it too.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

Mass for Marriage and Family Life

Bishop David will celebrate the Annual Mass for Marriage and Family Life on **Saturday 6th September 2025** at 12 noon at *Northampton Cathedral*.

All are welcome.

If you are celebrating a special anniversary this year, please contact Sam at mfl@northamptondiocese.org or visit:

<https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/celebration-marriage-and-family-life/>

Diocesan Leadership Course – Bethsaida

Are you already serving in your parish, or do people naturally look to you for guidance? Do you feel called to grow in confidence and take a more active role in your parish or pastoral area? The Bethsaida Leadership Course offers the opportunity to deepen your faith, strengthen your leadership skills, and learn how to serve with your eyes fixed on Christ. Rooted in prayer and practical training, this course will help you grow as one of the living stones (1 Peter 2:5), building up the Church today.

To find out more or to apply, please visit northamptondiocese.org/catholic-leadership.

Bethesda Mass

St Edward's Parish in Kettering will be hosting a Bethesda Mass on Saturday, **13th September at 10 am**. This Mass is for all children and adults with special and additional needs, and their families and friends. Mass will be followed by refreshments in the parish hall behind the church. Due to lack of space for parking, parishioners and guests are invited to park at the swimming-pool car park on London Road.

ETHICS UNPLUGGED – A Catholic Response to Key Issues

A four-part online Zoom series exploring contemporary ethical challenges through a Catholic lens:

2 Oct – Human Trafficking & Modern Slavery (Miriam Cakebread)

16 Oct – Gender Identification (Bishop David Oakley)

30 Oct – Artificial Intelligence (Aidan Cottrell-Boyce)

13 Nov – Ageing, Life & Death (Dr David Jones)

Thursdays, 7.30–9.00pm

Hosted by Caritas, Mission Northampton & Northampton Cathedral.

Free to attend; donations welcome. Zoom link sent before the first session.

[Register Here](#)

OTHER NOTICES

How to Get Started with Alpha

Monday 29 September | 7.30–9.00pm | Online via Zoom

Have you thought about running Alpha? Whether in your parish, home, coffee shop, or pub, Alpha offers an accessible way to help people explore life, faith, and meaning. This free online session will: explain how to get started, share practical tips for success, explore options such as Youth Alpha and age-specific formats, allow time for Q&A and idea sharing. [Registration required to receive the Zoom link.](#)

Prayer For the Canonisation of Blessed Peter Wright

Eternal Father, your priest and martyr, Blessed Peter Wright of the Society of Jesus, worked with zeal and dedication in your vineyard and gave his life freely because of his faith in you and in your Church.



Through his intercession grant that this humble flock may reach where Jesus, our brave Shepherd, has gone.

In blessed Peter's name, I come to you with my needs:

(pause and silently mention your request)

Lord, help me always to imitate the great faith, generous love, and burning zeal of Blessed Peter. Grant that Your Church may proclaim him as a saint serving at your Throne in Heaven and interceding for us. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

Safeguarding Key Message

Our key message this year is : **'The Diocese of Northampton have adopted the National policies of CBCEW'**

Key webpages:

<https://catholicssafeguarding.org.uk/resources/national-safeguarding-policy/>

<https://northamptondiocese.org/policies/>

To make any enquiries please contact safeguarding office on **01604723514**

or safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org

PARISH SAFEGUARDING CONTACT

Safeguarding officer – Sharon Knox
sharon_knox@hotmail.com

CSSA Thematic Inspection: Survivor Engagement and Support

The Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA) has launched a public survey as part of its thematic inspection on survivor engagement and support. Victims and survivors of abuse—whether recent or historic—are invited to share their experiences of contact with dioceses and Religious Life Groups. In Northampton, we continue to walk alongside survivors through initiatives such as the Healing Garden at

Northampton Cathedral and Bishop David's A Time to Listen. We encourage survivors to participate in the survey, helping shape a safer Church for all. [Further details and link to the survey](#)

Historic Churches Trust Ride and Stride for Oundle

The Ride and Stride sponsored event will be on **Saturday 13th September**. Ride and Stride is an opportunity to raise money not only for the Trust but for our own church, as they return 50% of the money to Most Holy Name and enables us to apply for grants when alterations are needed. You can also be sponsored for manning the church. We will need volunteers to do this. Choose a friend and enjoy a coffee and chat in between welcoming visitors.

Ride and Stride

I am participating in Ride and Stride accompanied by my daughter and grandson. If you feel you could sponsor me then it would be very much appreciated. The sponsor form is available at the back at St Paul's. Many thanks -Tom Treacy.

Elizabeth (Oundle) is also asking for sponsors.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE to sponsor or to join in riding or striding. There is also need for a second 'welcomer' please from 2-4.

Many thanks!



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In aid of



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In memory of Mark W Lee

Songs

Adult
Ticket
s £15

from the

Child
Ticket
s

Shows

7pm on Saturday 11th October

Thrapston Plaza Community Centre,
Cosy Nook, Thrapston, Kettering NN14 4PS

To order tickets please email
songsfromtheshows@hotmail.com

