



Catholic Cluster of Blessed Peter Wright

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Most Holy Name of Jesus, Oundle & **St Paul the Apostle, Thrapston**
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Sunday 8th June 2025

Pentecost

Liturgical Colour: **RED**

Second Collection – Churches' Maintenance

5:00pm(Sat) (**STM**) Vigil Holy Mass (*Rosemary Hibbert RIP*)
9:15am (**MHNJ**) Holy Mass (*Claudio Perselli RIP*)
11:00am (**SPA**) Holy Mass (*Pro populo*)

Rest of the Week

Monday (SPA) Memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church

10:00am Holy Mass (*Jacqui Gudge RIP*)

Tuesday (SPA) Feria

09:00am Holy Mass

Thursday (SPA) Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ Eternal High Priest

10:00am Holy Mass (*Jane Parkeson RIP*)

Friday (MHNJ) Memorial of St Anthony of Padua

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

Saturday (SPA)

10:30-11:00am **CONFESSIONS**

CONFESSIONS: As advertised above or by appointment

MHNJ: Most Holy Name of Jesus church, OUNDLE

SPA: St Paul the Apostle church, THRAPSTON

STM: St Thomas More chapel, RAUNDS

Becket Festival at Northampton Cathedral – 5th July 2025

All are warmly invited to Northampton Cathedral for the Becket Festival, a special weekend celebrating Saint Thomas Becket, patron of our diocese, and marking 175 years of the Diocese of Northampton.

Our diocese will gather to celebrate this milestone on **Saturday, 5th July at 12:00 noon.**

Each parish has been allocated five places, and we hope every parish will be represented.

At **3:00pm**, Fr Andrew Coy, secretary to the Apostolic Nuncio, will deliver the Becket Lecture on the theme "Becket: A Saint for Europe", followed by Vespers at **4:15pm.**

Come and join this joyful diocesan celebration of faith, history, and community. All are welcome!

MEETING TIMES THIS WEEK

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION COURSE

Meetings on Mondays at 5pm during term-time.

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.

Upcoming Second Collections

15th June – Day for Life

29th June – Peter's Pence

Confirmations 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.



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 Benedetto D'Autilia**

Parish Secretary: **Meg Shepherd (Thurs 11am-1pm)**

Presbytery & Office TEL. 01832 617 050

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

email: frbenedetto.dautilia@northamptondiocese.org

email: parish.eastnorthants@northamptondiocese.org

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



St Vincent de Paul Society

England and Wales

Turning Concern into Action

www.svp.org.uk

svp140512@gmail.com Joe Gasan on 07565 395955

CLUSTER NOTICES

FR PIUS' 10th Anniversary – 5th July

Fr Pius Amoako, our previous parish priest, invites you to a celebration of his 10th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination.

Venue: Our Lady Immaculate and St Ethelbert's Church,
Wellington St, Slough SL1 1XU

Saturday 5th July 2025

11.30am Praise and Worship

12.00noon Holy Mass

Second Collection Contribution on Dona Machines

You can now use the Dona Card Machines at Most Holy Name's and St Paul's churches for your contribution to a 2nd collection.

PASTORAL VISITATION - 14th-15th June 2025

On Sunday 14th-15th June the people of the Cluster of Blessed Peter Wright will have a Pastoral Visitation by the Rt Rev Dr David James Oakley, Bishop of Northampton.

Bishop David will visit the two Catholic parish churches of the Most Holy Name of Jesus, Oundle and of St Paul the Apostle, Thrapston with the chapel of St Thomas More, Raunds.

Many of you might ask: "What is a Pastoral Visitation?" It is a way for a Bishop to come into personal contact with the clergy and especially with the many people responsible for various areas of the pastoral life of the parish. Through this visit the bishop becomes acquainted with the reality of the environment, the socio-economic condition of the people, the current pastoral programs, and the overall functioning of the parish. It is a time of grace for the entire Catholic community of the area, whose chief pastor visits to bring encouragement and hope to those involved in pastoral work and to all the people of the parish. He will celebrate the Eucharist, proclaim the Word of God and preach the wonders of our wonderful Catholic faith. The bishop visits a parish, which is not a building but rather the people who make it. He will make known the pastoral priorities of the whole diocese and will foster a sense of belonging to the diocesan Church, which is the Local Church of Northampton.

Oundle (and others) Walkers Group

A small group of us from Oundle try to walk (weather permitting) as and when people can manage. It's open to all in the Walkers Whatsapp group to suggest a walk and a day/time for others to join if they can. It's not a regular day, to accommodate those who have regular commitments, and we usually end up somewhere for a coffee, drink and maybe a snack somewhere. Walks may be up to three or four miles, and are commonly at a fairly gentle pace as we are usually chatting! We don't confine ourselves to Oundle and have done places like Aldwincle Country Park and Fermyn Woods in the past.

We're hoping to do the **Cotterstock river walk** from Oundle next Wednesday (4th June) parking by the Rec opposite Oundle Tyre and Exhaust at 10 am. If you are interested please ask Fr Benedetto for my email address, and I can add you to the group for further details. Elizabeth

We Dare to Hope Study Group at MHNJ

Following the success of the group at Raunds studying this booklet we are hoping to begin looking at it in church at **10 am on Wednesday 11th June**. This is as well as the Zoom group on a Tuesday evening, not replacing it! It will be a small group and fairly informal, intending to keep as close as possible to an hour. **Please join us if you can.** (Subsequent dates 25th June, 9th July, and continuing as the group decides.)

Bring and Share Lunch at Most Holy Name's

Please save **Saturday 28th June** for a Cluster Garden Party at **12.30**. Please bring picnic chairs (and a little table if you wish) and a light food or drink donation.

Don't forget that you are not feeding everyone!

We're hoping that it will be sunhat/suncream weather but in case of rain there is a backup plan close by!

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.

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://catholicsafeguarding.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

DIOCESAN NOTICES

Jesus Our Hope

As part of our celebrations for the 2025 Jubilee Year, you are warmly invited to an evening of celebration, inspiration, and hope.

Each evening will include: Prayer, reflection on God's Word, personal testimony, music and time to socialise over refreshments.

The event is free to attend, but to help us prepare refreshments, we kindly ask that you register in advance.

Event Dates and Locations:

Monday, 9 June – 7:00–9:00 PM in Aylesbury

More information and registration details can be found

at: northamptondiocese.org/courses



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TWO-CHILD CAP CAMPAIGN

The recent meeting of the Department for Social Justice noted that it would be helpful if bishops would be willing to remind parishes of the Bishops' Conference work on the implications of the current two-child limit on Universal Credit payments for vulnerable, larger families. The link to the 'contact your MP' page on this issue can be found at:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/contact-mp-two-child-cap>

15th June 2025 – DAY FOR LIFE

The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death. In England and Wales, Day for Life is celebrated on the third Sunday of June each year. This year it falls on 15 June. The theme is Hope does not Disappoint: Finding meaning in Suffering. It is inspired by Romans 5:5-6. St Paul invites us to see that Christian hope is not just naïve optimism but, rather, an unshakeable trust in the power and presence of God who is with us always. This hope can endure the darkness of human suffering and even see beyond it. Suffering touches every person at some point in their lives. It is often associated with illness, grief, and loss. It is not only caused by physical pain but includes emotional suffering as well as 'soul pain', such as depression and despair. Christians are not immune to this mystery and we often struggle to know how best to respond to it, and where we can find hope. Day for Life is marked on the same day by the three Bishops' Conferences of England and Wales, Scotland, and Ireland.

Fatima Statue & Relics Visit – 21st June

The Centenary Pilgrim Virgin Statue of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the relics of Saints Francisco and Jacinta Marto will visit Northampton Cathedral on **Saturday, 21st June 2025**.

Join us for a special day of prayer, veneration, and reflection, including:
Mass - Rosary for peace - Fatima film and talk - Brown Scapular enrolment
Holy Hour - **Bishop David** will celebrate the **Vigil Mass at 6:00pm**.

All are welcome. Enquiries: **Ann Comerford** – 01604 714556

| parish.cathedralhub@northamptondiocese.org

Called and Equipped

The Called & Equipped course is now recruiting its fourth cohort, beginning in **October**. This is our diocesan year-long discipleship course for anyone in ministry or looking to deepen their faith.

The course is very effective in equipping lay people for a variety of roles across the parish. Two past members have become pastoral area council chairs, and one is currently training for the diaconate.

For more information, please visit:

<https://northamptondiocese.org/called-equipped/>

OTHER NOTICES

Ecumenical Pentecost Service – All Are Welcome

After Mass at MHNJ this **Sunday, 7th June**, all are welcome to a Joint Pentecost Service at **10:30am at St Peter's CofE Church, Oundle**, with Baptist, Methodist and Catholic Churches.

It will also be a special opportunity to give thanks and saying a fond farewell to Rev Martin and Carita Hills as they prepare for their new ministry at Guiseley Baptist Church.

Whether you arrive on time or a little later, you are fully welcome and spiritually rewarded:

"So the last will be first, and the first will be last." (Matthew 20:16)

Please stay for refreshments afterwards, a time to enjoy fellowship and community spirit with our local churches.

Unveiled Faces: Healing & Transformation with the Saints, 27-29 June 2025

A weekend led by Fr Emmanuel Mansford (for all adult laity), CFR contemplating the healing and transformational work of grace in the ordinary and imperfect lives of the saints. In the light of their example, the retreat will offer an opportunity to reflect on and to seek healing for the wounds in our own lives.

For more information and to book:

<https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/unveiled-faces/>

SVP National Pilgrimage to Walsingham

A wonderful occasion to gather members from all across the Society, taking place on **Sunday 6th July 2025**. The day will include Mass, Anointing of the sick and Benediction. If you have any questions, get in contact:

bethant@svp.org.uk

NYMO – D-Summer Weekend

We'll be gathering young people from across the diocese for a residential weekend of games, discussions, activities, socialising, and prayer. Come meet new people, reconnect with old friends, and share in a mountaintop moment.

When: **11–13 July 2025** Where: **Sion Catholic Community, SENT, Brentwood, Essex CM15 9BX (Transport provided)** Who: **Ages 11–18**
Cost: £90 (£80 without transport) More info: nymo.org/d-summer

Art Retreat at Turvey Abbey - 19th July

Please see poster on notice board.

We Believe Festival

From **25th-28th July**, join us for four days of music, keynotes, conversation & worship at **St Mary's College, Oscott, Birmingham**. Featuring Dr Gianna Emanuela Molla (daughter of St Gianna Molla), Fr Paul Murray, Msgr

Michael Nazir-Ali, AnMari, Fr Toby Lees & many more.

Early Bird Tickets available now at www.webeliefefestival.com

Historic Churches Trust Ride and Stride for Oundle

This year the Ride and Stride sponsored event will be on **Saturday 14th September**. It is a sponsored event for cyclists, joggers, walkers, toddlers and horse riders. Participants choose their own route and timing round participating historic churches, so for those with restricted mobility even the three Oundle churches might be enough. (Most Holy Name, School Chapel and St Peter's.) We will be looking for volunteers to ride, stride (or even toddle) and to get sponsored for the same. 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. Importantly, participation 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).

Oundle Prayer Walk

St Peter's Church has devised a Prayer Walk round the town which has been done by various individuals and groups between Ascension Day and Pentecost, although it can be done any time, or indeed anywhere as those who can't walk can do an imaginary walk round the town and pray at each point. Our church and Fr Benedetto are included, so if the other churches are praying for us it would seem appropriate to return the compliment! A copy of the walk will be on church noticeboards.