



# Catholic Cluster of Blessed Peter Wright

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## Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025 XXII Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical Colour: **GREEN**

5:00pm(Sat) <b>(STM)</b>	Vigil Holy Mass	(Pat Hassin RIP)
9:15am <b>(MHNJ)</b>	Holy Mass	(Pro populo)
11:00am <b>(SPA)</b>	Holy Mass	(Laurence Hamer well-being)

There will be no week day Masses this week.

We warmly welcome our new parish priest, Fr Jonathan Creer, as he moves into the presbytery this week. We will all meet him next weekend.

**MHNJ:** Most Holy Name of Jesus church, OUNDLE  
**SPA:** St Paul the Apostle church, THRAPSTON  
**STM:** St Thomas More chapel, RAUNDS

### Farewell to Fr Benedetto

After the 11am Mass on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August, there will be a leaving do for Fr Benedetto. It is a bring and share.

### APPOINTMENT OF NEW PARISH PRIEST

**Fr Jonathan Creer** of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham has been appointed the new parish priest of our Cluster of churches. He will start his ministry among us at the beginning of September.

Fr Benedetto will be leaving us in September.  
His last Masses in the Cluster as our parish priest will be on the weekend of 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> August.

### 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.

### MEETING TIMES THIS WEEK

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION COURSE

Monday September 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

## 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](http://www.caspar.church/me?ID=56088)

#### Oundle



[www.caspar.church/me?ID=56072](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:frbenedetto.dautilia@northamptondiocese.org)  
email: [parish.eastnorthants@northamptondiocese.org](mailto: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

### Cathedral Hub Business Manager

We are currently recruiting for a full-time, two-year fixed-term position to support the smooth running of the Cathedral Hub, covering three local parish sites. The role involves managing financial and operational tasks, overseeing contracts, SLAs, and facilities, and ensuring strong financial controls. Ideal for someone proactive, reliable, and ready to be a key part of the team. Full information for the position and an application form can be found by visiting <https://northamptondiocese.org/jobs>

All candidates should complete a Diocesan application form and email it to: [hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org)

Closing date for all applications is **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September at 9am.**

### 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](mailto: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](https://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.

### National Walking Pilgrimage – Way of St John (South)

The 2025 National Jubilee Walking Pilgrimage of Hope will pass through our diocese, forming part of a living *Sign of the Cross* across England and Wales. From **5th–9th September**, the pilgrimage will travel through our diocesan parishes in Leighton Buzzard, Newport Pagnell, and our Cathedral in Northampton. Parishes are warmly encouraged to offer prayer, welcome, and hospitality to the pilgrims.

[Register here for day pilgrim participation](#)

## 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](mailto:safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org)

### PARISH SAFEGUARDING CONTACT

Safeguarding officer – Sharon Knox  
[sharon\\_knox@hotmail.com](mailto:sharon_knox@hotmail.com)

## OTHER NOTICES

### 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](#)

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### Historic Churches Trust Ride and Stride for Oundle

This year the Ride and Stride sponsored event will be on **Saturday 13th September.** Cyclists, joggers, walkers, toddlers and horse riders choose their own route and timing around participating historic churches. 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. We intend to cover approximately 40 miles and visit 21 churches during the day. The sponsor form is available at the back at St Paul's. Many thanks -Tom Treacy.



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*In aid of*



&

*In memory of Mark W Lee*

# Songs

Adult  
Ticket  
s £15

**from the**

Child  
Ticket  
s

# Shows

7pm on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October

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

To order tickets please email  
[songsfromtheshows@hotmail.com](mailto:songsfromtheshows@hotmail.com)

