



Catholic Cluster of Blessed Peter Wright

Comprising the two parishes of:

Most Holy Name of Jesus, Oundle & **St Paul the Apostle**, Thrapston
with the Mass centre at the chapel of **St Thomas More, Raunds**

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Sunday 2nd August 2026 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical Colour: **Green**

5:00pm (Sat) **(STM)** Vigil Holy Mass (*Gary & Harry Collett RIP*)

9:15am **(MHNJ)** Holy Mass (*Pro populo*)

11:00am **(SPA)** Holy Mass (*For All Seminarians*)

Rest of the Week

Monday (STM) Memorial of St Walthen

10:00am Holy Mass followed by confessions
(*Sue Harrison well-being*)

Tuesday (SPA) Memorial of St John Vianney

10:00am Holy Mass
(*Fr Callum Brown well-being*)

Wednesday (MHNJ)

9:30am Holy Mass presided by Fr Mark Vickers

Thursday (SPA) The Transfiguration of the Lord

5:00pm Holy Hour with Confessions
5.45pm Vespers
6:00pm Holy Mass
(*Fr Nick Williams well-being*)

Friday (MHNJ) Memorial of St Sixtus II

10:00am Holy Mass followed by Confessions
(*Fr Thomas Mason well-being*)

MHNJ: Most Holy Name of Jesus church, OUNDLE

SPA: St Paul the Apostle church, THRAPSTON

STM: St Thomas More chapel, RAUNDS



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

Thrapston & Raunds



Oundle



www.caspar.church/m?ID=56088

www.caspar.church/m?ID=56072

Trouble with CASPAR? Email us at: support@caspar.church

Or Phone us on: 01440 730399

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.

Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention for August For evangelisation in the city

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

MEETING TIMES THIS WEEK

PARISHIONERS PRAYER GROUP:

Every Wednesday 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



**St Vincent
de Paul Society**

England and Wales

Turning Concern into Action

If you would like to help make a real difference to the local community, please consider giving a **donation to the SVP** either by:

BACS:

National Westminster

SVP Kettering and Thrapston

Sort Code: 60 60 04

Account No: 46084053

Or by:

Placing cash into an envelope marked SVP and putting it into the first collection at Mass.

Email: svp140512@gmail.com

Call: Joe Gasan on 07565 395 955

Visit: www.svp.org.uk

Parish Priest: **Fr Jonathan Creer** email: frjonathan.creer@northamptondiocese.org

Parish Secretary: **Meg Shepherd (Thurs 11.00am-1pm)** email: parish.eastnorthants@northamptondiocese.org

Presbytery TEL. 01832 617 050

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

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

CLUSTER NOTICES

Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust: Saturday

12th September



A great day out discovering England's churches. Ride and Stride is the foremost annual fun fund-raising event to help preserve churches and chapels and keep them active in our communities. Ride & Stride is a sponsored event for cyclists, joggers, walkers and horse riders. Any mode of transport can be used as long as sponsors are happy; a couple of people have used vintage cars! Money raised helps Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust to continue supporting our marvellous churches across the county with essential repairs and improvements. 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 us. Some participants challenge themselves to visit as many churches as they can by their chosen mode of transport. Others prefer a more leisurely approach, visiting fewer churches and taking more time at each. There is no age limit - it is a great family activity – and you plan your own route.

Most Holy Name of Jesus Church

We will be looking for volunteers to ride and stride (or even toddle) and to get sponsored for the same. We normally have the church open, providing refreshments, but we need volunteers to man the church in pairs, on a rota. (Choose a friend and enjoy a coffee and chat in between welcoming visitors) Participating churches are also eligible for grants.

Anyone interested, please contact Elizabeth Poole (for church welcomers) or Lauren Herbert-Kerr (for participants.)

Cluster Prayer

Come Holy Spirit on your church communities of Thrapston, Raunds and Oundle. Grant us the grace to work together in unity of purpose for your glory. May our vision be bold as we proclaim your Kingdom and may your will be done in all that we do. Grant us discernment, kindness and generosity of spirit. Blessed Peter Wright, pray for us. Amen.



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.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

Apostolic Administrator to Celebrate Mass in Northampton

Archbishop Richard Moth, Apostolic Administrator of our diocese, will celebrate Mass at Northampton Cathedral on **Thursday 30th July at 7pm**. You are welcome to join us in person or watch through the livestream.

Priesthood Discernment Day

Men aged 16 and over who are considering a vocation to the priesthood are warmly invited to a Discernment Day on **Saturday, 8 August, from 10:30 a.m. at St Augustine Catholic Church, Milton Keynes**.

The day will include prayer, reflection, Mass, fellowship, and opportunities to speak with priests and others discerning God's call. To register or find out more, contact Fr Pius at vocationsdirector@northamptondiocese.org or 01753 523147. Please keep vocations in your prayers.

Mass To Celebrate Marriage and Family Life

All are warmly invited to the Diocesan Mass for Marriage and Families at **Northampton Cathedral on Saturday 5th September at 12 noon**.

The Mass will be a special celebration of the gift of marriage and family life, with couples marking milestone anniversaries especially welcome. Please register online to let us know about your anniversary and to book refreshments.

Other Notices

MARRIAGE IN A RUT? Or Need Help with Deeper Issues?

Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples find hope and healing in their marriage.

Next dates: **2nd - 4th Oct.**

www.retrouvaille.org.uk/info

Tel: 0788 7296983

Week of Guided Prayer for Those Affected by Clergy Abuse in the Church

The Jesuit Institute is offering a free online Week of Guided Prayer for Those Affected by Clergy Abuse in the Church from **18–23 October 2026**. Open to anyone affected directly or indirectly by clergy abuse, the week provides a gentle and prayerful opportunity for reflection, healing and hope. Hosted by Sarah Young, participants will receive daily prayer resources and spiritual accompaniment in a safe and supportive environment. This initiative recognises the lasting impact of abuse and seeks to accompany those who continue their journey towards healing. Participation is free, with all **sessions taking place online** from the comfort of home. More information is available here:

<https://www.jesuitinstitute.org/events/an-online-week-of-guided-prayer-for-those-affected-by-clergy-abuse-in-the-church-3>

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/nationalsafeguarding-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



MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS CHURCH, OUNDLE

SOCIAL ACTION SUNDAY

16TH AUGUST 2026

Please join us for Coffee/Tea and Homemade Cake after Mass

Plus: A selection of cakes, cookies and pastries to buy & take away!

Craft packs available for children!

Suggested donation: £5 per person; Target £175

**A message to Oundle Parishioners from the Chaplain at
HMP Five Wells, Wellingborough**

Dear Parishioners,

Working in prisons as a chaplain I see many needs, but sometimes the most basic ones are simple and can make a real difference in creating a spiritual atmosphere within the chapel and during the services, we have mass every Friday morning. At present we don't have missalettes.

With your support, these would allow prisoners to actively respond to the prayers of Mass and follow the readings, which some may recognise from their days 'on the outside'. Prisoners who are interested in developing their faith would be able to take the missalettes with them after mass.

Let's remember those in prison, often this is a time when they feel desperate, lonely and in need of spiritual guidance.

Thank you.



MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS CHURCH, OUNDLE
Children's Liturgy
&
Holy Communion & Befriending
Sick and/or Isolated Parishioners

Oundle Community Ministry Team will re-commence Children's Liturgy during Sunday Mass, to serve our many young children presently in our church community. To help us plan this, we would ask all interested families to sign up on the sheet at the back of the church, with (Parent/Guardian) contact details and the number and ages of children (no names yet).

Oundle Community Ministry Team will also maintain a befriending service for sick and isolated parishioners who may wish to receive Holy Communion, have a social visit from one of our parishioner volunteers or a friendly telephone call. To help us plan this, we would like anyone who knows of or has a family member, parishioner or friend who may benefit from this service, to speak with Father, Bernie or Marlene.

If you are not attending Mass at Oundle and will be unable to complete the signup sheet, please email or speak to Father, Bernie or Marlene or email parish.eastnorthants@northamptondiocese.org

Bernie Walsh - Community Ministry Team Lead



Follow the Lego Brick Road to Travelling Bricks

18th July to 29th August

Just follow the colourful LEGO brick trail through Peterborough city centre and it'll lead you straight to Peterborough Cathedral for our biggest Summer exhibition ever!



Discover over 120 incredible models built from more than 1 million LEGO® bricks, explore immersive Air, Land, Sea and Space zones, and get up close to some of the world's most iconic vehicles and engineering marvels.

Whether you're planning a family day out, looking for something unique to do this summer, or you're simply a LEGO® fan, this is an experience you won't want to miss.

Why you'll love it:

-  Over 1 million LEGO® bricks
-  120 stunning models across 60 scenes
-  Four exhibition zones
-  Fun for all ages
-  Set inside the magnificent Peterborough Cathedral

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