



Catholic Cluster of Blessed Peter Wright

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Sunday 24th August 2025 XXI Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical Colour: **GREEN**

Fr Jithu will be celebrating the Masses this weekend.

5:00pm(Sat) **(STM)** Vigil Holy Mass (Harry Collett RIP)
9:15am **(MHNJ)** Holy Mass (Bridie Keher RIP)
11:00am **(SPA)** Holy Mass (Pro populo)

Fr Benedetto is on annual leave from Monday 18th August to Friday 29th August.

For any emergencies, please contact our bordering parishes in Corby, Kettering and Rushden.

Fr Mark Vickers of the clergy of Westminster Archdiocese is kindly celebrating weekday Masses at Oundle's church (MHNJ) from Mon 25th Aug to Wed 27th Aug:

Monday 9:30am Holy Mass

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Wednesday 9:30am Holy Mass

MHNJ: Most Holy Name of Jesus church, OUNDLE

SPA: St Paul the Apostle church, THRAPSTON

STM: St Thomas More chapel, RAUNDS

Fr Benedetto's Leaving Do – 31st August

After the 11am Mass on Sunday 31st August, there will be a leaving do for Fr Benedetto. It will be a bring and share. There are sheets at the back of each church for people to sign up on and let us know what you are bringing.

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 30th/31st 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

Resumes in September.

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

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

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 (maybe someone with a good memory will remember which one!)

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.

It may be that the statue could do the rounds of Thrapston and Raunds as well at some stage if someone from there will take on the tracking.

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/>

OTHER NOTICES

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.

One of the four pilgrimage routes will journey to the Cathedral of St Barnabas, Nottingham, converging there on Saturday, **13th September 2025**, on the eve of the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

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](#)

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. The survey invites victims and survivors of abuse—whether recent or historic—to share their experiences of contact with dioceses and Religious Life Groups.

Here 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 as many survivors as possible to take part in the survey, helping to shape an ever safer Church for all.

[Further details and link to the survey](#)

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

Historic Churches Trust Ride and Stride for Oundle

This year the Ride and Stride sponsored event will be on **Saturday 13th September**. It is for cyclists, joggers, walkers, toddlers and horse riders. Participants choose their own route and timing around 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).

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.

WordPress Support

I am currently trying to set up a simple WordPress website to attach Word documents and also audio recordings. These are of Thought for the Day type recordings. If there is anyone who has the skills to help and would be willing to give up an hour or so of their time, please contact Elizabeth at MHNJ. 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

