

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 16th November 2025

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical Colour: **Green**

5:00pm(Sat) **(STM)** Vigil Holy Mass (*Pro populo*)

9:15am **(MHNJ)** Holy Mass (*Holy Souls*)

11:00am **(SPA)** Holy Mass (*John & Peter Cooper RIP*)

Rest of the Week

Monday (SPA) Memorial of St Hugh of Lincoln

10:00am Holy Mass (*Stuart Frandsen RIP*)

Tuesday (SPA) Memorial of the Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss

Peter & Paul

09:00am Holy Mass (*Holy Souls*)

Thursday (SPA) **No Holy Hour, Vespers or Holy Mass**

Friday (MHNJ) Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin

Mary

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

(*Holy Souls*)

MHNJ: Most Holy Name of Jesus church, OUNDLE

SPA: St Paul the Apostle church, THRAPSTON

STM: St Thomas More chapel, RAUNDS

St Paul's Confirmation Classes 2025-2026

St. Paul's, Thursday evenings (18:30 – 19:45)

13 & 20 November

04 & 11 December

08, 15, 22, & 29 January

05 & 12 February

If you have any questions or concerns please contact:

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Upcoming Second Collection

Sunday 23rd November - SVP

MEETING TIMES THIS WEEK

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION COURSE

Monday 17th November at 5pm

Parish Pastoral Council

Monday 17th November at 7pm (SPA)

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 2.00pm

3.00pm Stations of the Cross



Jubilee Year 2025

Pilgrims of Hope

REQUIESCAT IN PACE

Please pray for the eternal rest of George Anthony Stephen Hearnden.

Keep his family and friends in your prayers as they go through this difficult time.

The Funeral Service will take place at

Saint Paul's church on

Friday 28th November at 1pm.



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/m

[e?ID=56088](http://www.caspar.church/m)

Oundle



www.caspar.church/m

[e?ID=56072](http://www.caspar.church/m)

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

Love Christmas Campaign 2025

Share God's love for us with so many locally who are in real need and poverty. Join the SVP, Caritas and parishes and schools across the diocese to support families with young children, the elderly, the lonely and isolated, young carers, children from broken homes, children in care, young people leaving the care system, and many others.

If you are able to, please donate a present for an adult or child which will be distributed to local people and families in need.

Please bring donations to church - we will be collecting in our cluster from **23rd November – 7th December**. More information can be found on the link. <https://youtu.be/pfJiM5K-qaI>



Parish Priest: **Fr Jonathan Creer**

Parish Secretary: **Meg Shepherd (Thurs 11.30am-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

Cluster Lunch

Please join us for lunch at the Talbot Hotel, **Oundle at 12.30 on Monday 24th November 2025.**

Please contact Elizabeth or Marlene by Wednesday 12th November, if you are interested.

Advent Reflections at MHNJ Saturday 6th December 10 – 12 (with half an hour break for refreshments)

The whole cluster is invited. A reflection on the Christmas story before we all get too busy and don't have time to reflect. We will be using an ancient Ignatian practice of Imaginative Contemplation which is simply imagining oneself in the story, and there will be opportunity (but no pressure) to briefly share experiences. It will be very informal and there will be tea, coffee and nibbles half way through.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

Join Our Team – Lead Caritas in the Diocese of Northampton

We are seeking a dedicated and compassionate individual to lead our Caritas initiatives across the Diocese of Northampton.

This part-time position (3 days per week) is based at the St Thomas Centre, Northampton. If you are inspired by Catholic Social Teaching and have proven experience in project leadership and community outreach, we would be delighted to hear from you. To apply, complete a Diocesan application form and send it to hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org.

Visit www.northamptondiocese.org/job/strategic-lead-for-caritas-social-action/ for more information.

This vacancy will remain open until the post is filled.

World Youth Sunday Mass – Celebrate with NYMO!

Join us for our World Youth Sunday Mass as we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King on **Sunday 23rd November at 3pm in Northampton Cathedral.**

Following the Mass, everyone is warmly invited to enjoy refreshments in the St Thomas Centre, where from 5pm we'll host an Open Mic Concert showcasing the incredible talents of our Youth Ministry.

This special afternoon is a wonderful opportunity to come together in prayer, fellowship, and celebration of the young people who bring so much life to our Church.

For any questions, please contact hollycook@northamptondiocese.org

Catechist Formation – Bishop's Certificate in Catechesis (Level 1)

Do you feel called to share the gift of faith? The Bishop's Certificate in Catechesis (Level 1) offers formation for new and experienced catechists through a blend of online and in-person sessions.

Dates: **18th November (Zoom evenings).**

In-person session: Saturday 22nd November, St Francis & St Therese RC Church, Northampton

Cost: No fixed fee (donations welcome)

More details and registration available here: [Catechist Formation](#)

Save the Date – Diocesan Mission Conference 2026

Mission Northampton warmly invites everyone across the diocese with a heart for sharing the Good News to our Annual Mission Conference on

Saturday 14th March 2026, 10:30am–4:00pm,

at Sacred Heart Church, 5 Beaudesert, Leighton Buzzard, LU7 1HZ.

Parking is available onsite. Come and be inspired, equipped, and encouraged in the work of mission. Refreshments will be provided, but please bring a packed lunch. We look forward to welcoming you for a day of faith, fellowship, and renewal in our shared mission. More

here www.northamptondiocese.org/courses/mission-conference-2026/

Online Advent Retreat: Monday 24th November at 7:30pm

Disrupted by Grace, week 1, with Dr Jessie Rogers and Dr Avril Baigent. This Advent, we will explore the theme "Disrupted by Grace" by delving into the stories of some of Jesus' more disreputable ancestors in Matthew 1. We begin on Monday 24th November by unpacking the story of Tamar and exploring the presence of grace in our lives.

Find out more and register here: <https://northamptondiocese.org/grace/>

OTHER NOTICES

ADoRE – Morning of Spiritual Renewal

Join ADoRE for a Morning of Spiritual Renewal on **Saturday 22nd November, from 10.00am to 1.00pm on Zoom**, with the theme "Pilgrims of Hope – Signposts to the Kingdom." ...

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/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

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.



St Vincent
de Paul Society
England and Wales
Turning Concern into Action

Email: svp140512@gmail.com

Visit: www.svp.org.uk

Call: Joe Gasan on 07565395955

...This online gathering will explore how we can revitalise our parishes to guide others towards Christ and share our hope with those who are searching. The morning will include Mass, Adoration, Praise, Prophecy, Prayer for the gifts of the Holy Spirit, and an inspiring talk by guest speaker Dr Hannah Vaughan-Spruce.

More information can be found at www.altonrenewal.com

Survey: Neurodiversity and the Catholic Faith

If you are a Catholic neurodivergent adult or a caregiver of a neurodivergent Catholic (aged 2+), you are invited to take part in one of two short (10–20 minute) anonymous online surveys, **available until 12 January 2026:**

- If you are a neurodivergent Catholic adult, [click here](#)
- For the survey for caregivers of a neurodivergent Catholic (aged 2+), [click here](#)

The organisers hope that the insights gained will help the Church become more inclusive and responsive to the needs of neurodivergent Catholics.

Be Still and Know that I am God

14 - 17 November 2025

A three-day retreat led by Fr Roger Dawson, SJ, aiming to help participants find a greater attentiveness and disposition to God's presence in their lives through a disciplining of the mind and awareness of the present moment. <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/be-still-and-know-that-i-am-god>

Supporting the Jubilee for Prisoners – A Call to Action

In the lead-up to the Jubilee for Prisoners on **14th December**, Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN) is delighted to share a new Call to Action Guide, developed in response to last year's Bishops' Conference publication *Remember Me*, which explores the realities of the criminal justice system in the UK. Documents can be found here <https://www.csan.org.uk/news/responding-to-remember-me-a-call-to-prayer-reflection-and-action/>

Sing the Season – Advent 2025

Join the Diocese of Northampton Music & Liturgy Team for a brand-new event, Sing the Season, on **Saturday 22nd November 2025 (11am–4pm) at Our Lady Help of Christians & St Lawrence Church, Olney**. Open to cantors, choir leaders, singers, and musicians, the day will feature seasonal music, new psalm settings, and fresh ideas for parish liturgy. Attendance is free (suggested £5 donation). Tea and coffee provided—bring your instrument, voice, and packed lunch! Let's prepare for Advent together in song, faith, and fellowship.

The Bereavement Journey

Run by the Baptist Church in Oundle, starting on Wednesday evenings from **21st January 2026**; it will run for 7 weeks, at No.1 St Osyths Lane, Oundle, PE8 4BG. It is an award-winning series of films and discussion that gently guides adults bereaved at any time, through the varied ways grief and bereavement can impact, enabling them to process the implications for themselves and discern next steps. Guests do their own grief work, facilitated by volunteers. Contact Judith Brshaw at Oundle Baptist Church. Office@oundlebaptist.org.uk
More information at <https://www.thebereavementjourney.org/>

Webinar: The Role of Beauty in Moral Formation

The Catholic Union invites you to a webinar on Monday 20th April at 6.00pm exploring the place of beauty in the moral formation of individuals and society. Chaired by journalist Catherine Pepinster, speakers include Fr Patrick van der Vorst, priest and founder of Christian Art, and Stefan Kaminski, Director of The Christian Heritage Centre at Stonyhurst. Booking is essential: Email info@catholicunion.org.uk to receive your Zoom link.

Grief is hard.
Death can impact
all of life.

The Bereavement
Journey.
a place to talk

7 Sessions of films
and discussion
for anyone bereaved anytime

Topics include:

- Attachment, separation and loss
- The pain and responses of grief
- Anger and guilt
- Coping with others' reactions
- Delayed and suppressed grief
- Adjusting to change
- Moving forward healthily
- Faith questions – a Christian perspective (optional)

To find out more visit:
thebereavementjourney.org

Running soon:

Starts Weds 21 January
7.15-9.15pm
for 7 weeks

No.1 St Osyths Lane, Oundle,
PE8 6BG
More info & to book
Call Judith 01832 770010
Office@oundlebaptist.org.uk
Booking essential