



Catholic Cluster of Blessed Peter Wright

Comprising the churches of:

Saint Paul the Apostle | Thrapston

The Most Holy Name of Jesus | Oundle

Saint Thomas More | Raunds



Parish Priest: Father Benedetto D'Autilia

Sunday 7th January 2024

Solemnity of the EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Liturgical Colour: White/Gold

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

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

11:00am **(SPA)** Holy Mass (*Keith & Anne Ford and family well-being*)

Rest of the Week

Monday (STM) *Feast of the BAPTISM OF THE LORD*

10:00am Holy Mass (*Margaret & John Ryan well-being*)

The CHRISTMAS SEASON ends,
and ORDINARY TIME begins

Tuesday (SPA) *Feria*

9:00am Holy Mass

Thursday (SPA) *Feria*

10:00am Holy Mass (*in Thanksgiving*)

Friday (MHNJ) *Memoria of St Aelred of Rievaulx*

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

Saturday (SPA) *Memoria of St Hilary of Poitiers*

9:00am Holy Mass followed by **Holy Hour**

9:45-10:30am **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 church, RAUNDS*

Celebration of the Sacrament of CONFESSION

In order to follow good Safeguarding Practice Confessions will be celebrated in the following places and manners:

@ St Paul's church: in the room at the back with glass panelling, face to face.

@ Most Holy Name's church: in the church under the statue of Our Lady, face to face.

@ St Thomas' church: unfortunately, there is no possibility to celebrate the Sacrament in a safe way both for the penitent and for the priest.

We are looking to build or buy confessional boxes, so the anonymity of the penitent can also be taken into account. At St Paul's we have a proper confessional, but it needs to be cleared out and refurbished.

Mobile Phones in Confessionals:

Due to the sacred nature of the confessional, clergy and penitents have been requested, by the Bishops Conference, not to have active mobile phones with them in the confessional. They should not just be put to silent mode but should be turned off before entering the confessional. This is because, even in silent mode, phones can still listen-in to conversations and artificial intelligence algorithms identify items of interest to potential advertisers.



We have a card machine now!

At Most Holy Name's, Oundle &

St Paul's, Thrapston

The Machine is easy to use

and you can easily

Gift Aid your Offertory

donation, pay for

Cards and items purchased

from the Repository.

Each device is on a 3 months

trial, to see how helpful and

successful they will be to our parishes'

income. The devices will cost each parish

£15 per month to rent.



COLLECTION OF SUN 24th DECEMBER

Holy Name's:	£80.50	St Paul's:	£146.95
S.O.:	£225.00	St Thomas':	£85.26
		S.O.:	£150.00

MEETING TIMES THIS WEEK

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CATECHISM

On Mondays

at St Thomas More church in Raunds at 5.00pm

NB: Classes re-start tomorrow, Monday 8th January

CONFIRMATION CATECHISM

On Fridays at Oundle School Chaplaincy building at 5.30pm.

NB: Classes re-start this Friday, 12th January

PARISHIONERS PRAYER GROUP

Zoom meetings every Tuesday at 7pm

All parishioners are welcome.

If you need further information, please email Marlene on

mrod268@yahoo.com

RAUNDS PRAYER GROUP

Prayer meetings every Friday at St Thomas More church

2.00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy chaplet

3.00pm Stations of the Cross

All parishioners are welcome.

PARISH NOTICES

Parishes Dedication Patronal Solemnities

Most Holy Name of Jesus, Oundle: moved from 3rd January to **Sunday 14th January**.
St Paul the Apostle, Thrapston & Raunds: moved from 25th January to **Sunday 27th/28th January**.

Diocesan Directory - 2024

You can purchase a copy of the Diocesan Directory from our Repository at the back of church. £10 per copy.

Diocesan Priests Calendar – 2024 – Pssss....Fr Pius is in it!!

You can purchase a copy of the Diocesan Priest Calendar from our Repository at the back of church. £5 per copy.

Bring and Share Lunch - February 2024

PLEASE SEE SIGN UP SHEET AT THE BACK OF CHURCH

3rd February 2024 at the Bowls Club in Oundle. More information to come.

Donations towards club heating and lighting for the session; any profit towards our churches maintenance.

Retreat for Deepening our faith & Helping Us Pass it on to Others

Do you feel called to be a catechist?

Do you want to help children, young people or adults grow as disciples of Jesus?

Are you already a catechist and want to develop your understanding and skills?

If so you are welcome to come along to this in person Catechist Retreat designed to equip you.

Saturday 24th February 1.30pm – 4pm at St Paul the Apostle RC Church, Thrapston.

To book please see the poster at the back of church or www.northamptondiocese.org/courses

Blessed Peter Wright Cluster Recipe Book

As there have been no more additions since this was opened to the whole cluster I am proposing to have it available online. There are not enough recipes to make it a viable option to print them all. Thank you so much for all those who have contributed and I hope to have an online version ready soon. Many thanks! *Elizabeth*

DIOCESAN NOTICES

Year of Prayer – Pilgrims of Hope

Bishop David will travel to parishes and pastoral areas across our diocese throughout 2024, to share on the theme of 'Pilgrims of Hope' as part of our journey towards the Jubilee Year in 2025. The confirmed dates and venues so far are:

Monday 22nd January : St Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, Bletchley

Monday 29th January : Our Lady of Walsingham, Corby

Tuesday 6th February: Our Lady Immaculate, Great Missenden

Thursday 7th March: Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Wellingborough

Thursday 18th April: Our Lady of Peace, Burnham

MISSION NORTHAMPTON

The Secrets of St Paul is a 10-week online course beginning on **Wednesday 10th January** and finishing on **Wednesday 20th March**.

Participants will have an opportunity to reflect on the life of St Paul as a model missionary disciple. For more information visit www.northamptondiocese.org/courses or call 01604 434362

Youth Mass

Bishop David will preside at a Mass for young people at St Augustine's, Milton Keynes on Sunday 14th January at 6.30pm.

LUX – Youth Ministry Office

Our diocesan youth ministry office, NYMO has announced the dates of the next residential weekend for young people.

'Lux.dive' will take place from **Friday 9th – Sunday 11th February 2024**.

The weekend is open to all those in school years 7-13 and costs £125 pp (which is great value in today's inflated market!) visit <https://nymo.org/lux-dive/>



COST OF LIVING HELP BOOKLET

<https://www.caritas.org/>

You will find some copies of this Cost Of Living Help Booklet at the entrance of our churches.

Safeguarding

Within our diocesan safeguarding structures, the healing and reconciliation group is focussed entirely on representing the voice of survivors and reaching out to those who have been hurt by abuse. As a diocese we are particularly keen to encourage membership from those who have lived experience of abuse. We value your insight and would like to be able to listen, hear and act upon your advice to help improve our response to those who have been hurt by abuse. To make further enquiries please contact safeguarding office on **01604723514** or safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org

PARISH SAFEGUARDING CONTACT

Pro Tempore Safeguarding officer - Kathy Franklin
franklin.kathym@gmail.com

Is your child crying during Mass?

Very small children—infants and toddlers—are quite capable of making a great deal of noise, but they generally do so for some reason: because they are uncomfortable, hungry, or tired, for example. If they are making a noise, it may be possible to quiet them there and then, but very often a parent will have to take them outside: not just for the sake of other people, but to meet the child's needs.

In our churches there are areas where you can take your child.

Saint Paul's: back room with glass panelling.

Saint Thomas': Meeting Room.

Most Holy Name's: former sacristy.

Standing outside a church with a small child is, after all, a way of serving God, and you are "morally present" at Mass as far as meeting your own obligation to attend is concerned.

Soft toys should be preferred to be brought into the church.

You're Needed...!

Helpers are needed to help as Sacristan, readers, cleaners and to count the offertory after Mass on Sunday.

If you are willing to help, please let Fr Benedetto know.

Thank you.

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Our Churches:

St Paul the Apostle: Sackville Street, Thrapston NN14 4NZ

The Most Holy Name of Jesus: Stoke Hill, Oundle PE8 4BH

St Thomas More: Marshall's Rd, Raunds, Wellingborough NN9 6HP

Contact us:

Postal address: The Presbytery, 2 St Paul's Gardens, Thrapston, NN14 4FE

Newsletter additions (deadline Tuesday 5pm) : parish.eastnorthants@northamptondiocese.org

Website:

www.eastnorthantscatholic.org

MASS INTENTIONS

A Mass intention may involve an optional personal donation to the priest, which goes into the parish funds, as your parish priest receives a monthly stipend and so does not keep any 'stole fees'. If you wish, be generous as you can, for this is a small but pious contribution to our parish.



St Vincent de Paul Society

England and Wales

Turning Concern into Action

svp140512@gmail.com
Joe Gasan on 07565 395955

www.svp.org.uk

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.

Thank you