



# 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 31st December 2023

### Feast of the HOLY FAMILY

Liturgical Colour: White/Gold

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

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

11:00am **(SPA)** Holy Mass (*Pro Populo*)

### Solemnity of MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

**31<sup>st</sup> December (Sunday evening)**

5:00pm(SPA) First Vespers and singing of *TE DEUM*

**1<sup>st</sup> January (Monday morning)**

10:00am(SPA) Singing of *VENI, CREATOR* & Holy Mass

### Rest of the Week

**Tuesday (SPA)** *Memoria of SS Basil and Gregory*

9:00am Holy Mass

**Thursday (SPA)** *Feria of Christmas*

10:00am Holy Mass (*Pat Bailey well-being*)

**Friday (MHNJ)** *Feria of Christmas*

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

**Saturday (SPA)** *Feria of Christmas*

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*



## 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.

This device will cost each parish £15 per

month to rent.

*"... The family is not made  
for society;  
rather, it is society, which is  
made for the family."*

Venerable Pope Pius XII

### CHRISTMAS COLLECTION FOR THE PRIEST

Thank you for your generosity!

Fr Benedetto

### COLLECTION OF SUN 24<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER

Holy Name's: £101.47      St Paul's:      £50.40

S.O.: £225.00      St Thomas':      £110.62

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 suspended. Re-starts on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January**

#### CONFIRMATION CATECHISM

On Fridays at Oundle School Chaplaincy building at 5.30pm.

**NB: Classes suspended. Re-starts on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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

## Bishop David's Christmas Message

Bishop David has released his Christmas message for 2023. This message can be viewed here <https://youtu.be/zayN3NZttul?si=IKfhwOxRLxeuFr8Z>

## 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

**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](http://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](http://www.northamptondiocese.org/courses) or call 01604 434362

## 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/>

## LATEST NEWS

All the latest news and future events from around the diocese

[FUTURE EVENTS](#)

[CONTACT US HERE](#)



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

### PARISH SAFEGUARDING CONTACT

*Pro Tempore* Safeguarding officer - Kathy Franklin  
[franklin.kathym@gmail.com](mailto: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.

**Parish Priest: Father Benedetto D'Autilia**

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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](mailto:parish.eastnorthants@northamptondiocese.org)

**Website:**

[www.eastnorthantscatholic.org](http://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](mailto:svp140512@gmail.com)  
Joe Gasan on 07565 395955

[www.svp.org.uk](http://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