

# Catholic Cluster of Blessed Peter Wright

Comprising the churches of:

**Saint Paul the Apostle | Thrapston - Saint Thomas More | Raunds  
The Most Holy Name of Jesus | Oundle**

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**Sunday 26th May 2024**

**The Most Holy Trinity**

Liturgical Colour: White

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

(Pro Populo)

9:15am (MHNJ) Holy Mass

(Muriel & Peter Sieva RIP)

11:00am (SPA) Holy Mass

(Lilford Family)



**HE IS RISEN!**

### Rest of the Week

Fr Benedetto is away on his post Easter break from the 21<sup>st</sup> until the 31<sup>st</sup> May. For any emergency, please contact our bordering parishes in Corby, Kettering and Rushden. Sunday Masses will be covered by a visiting priest.

**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 chapel, RAUNDS



**CASPAR** is our new Cluster Database.

We would like to keep in contact with each of you in a more effective and efficient way.

In order to do this we would like you to sign up via a web page using the QR Code here or simply typing in this address into your web browser. If you are not confident to use the internet, please ask a member of your family to help you signing-up. All you need is an email address. Fr Benedetto is happy to help out too.

**Thrapston & Raunds**



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

**Oundle**



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

### BAPTISMS IN OUR CLUSTER

Congratulations to **MERCIO & JULIA PEREIRA PINTO** who were baptised last Sunday at St Paul the Apostle's.

Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> June 11.00am – **ANNORAH LUCY AMOAH** will be baptised at St Paul the Apostle's.

Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> July 11.00am – **LILY ROSE TAYLOR** will be baptised at St Paul the Apostle's.

### HOW TO RECEIVE OUR NEWSLETTER VIA E-MAIL

Once you register on Caspar you will be able to receive the newsletter via email by opting-in on your subscription.

### LAST SUNDAY COLLECTION

Holy Name's: £80.00	St Paul's: £200.54
S.O.: £225.00	St Thomas': £81.52
	S.O.: £150.00



**Second Collection this Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May for Churches Maintenance**

### NEXT SECOND COLLECTIONS:

2<sup>nd</sup> June: Mary's Meals

### PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.  
- And kindle in them the fire of your love.  
Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.  
- And you will renew the face of the earth.

O God, Who did instruct the hearts of Thy faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise, and ever to rejoice in His consolation. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen

### MEETING TIMES THIS WEEK

#### PARISHIONERS PRAYER GROUP

Meeting at MHNJ church this Tuesday at 10am  
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

# CLUSTER NOTICES

## Anniversaries and Patronal Feast Days

**St Thomas More**, Raunds: Patronal Solemnity, St Thomas More, **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June**.

**Cluster**: Oundle, Thrapston and Raunds: Patronal Solemnity, Blessed Peter Wright, moved from 19<sup>th</sup> May to **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> /4<sup>th</sup> August**.

**Most Holy Name of Jesus**, Oundle: 76th Anniversary of the Foundation of the parish of St Wilfrid, **8<sup>th</sup> August**.

**Most Holy Name of Jesus**, Oundle: Patronal Solemnity, St Wilfrid of York, moved from 12<sup>th</sup> October to **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October**.

## Sponsoring our new Lectionary Books

What is a Lectionary? It is the book, better the collection of liturgical books, which contain the readings for every Mass and service celebrated by a church community. The New Lectionary with a new and updated translation of Scripture will be officially in use from the First Sunday of Advent (1<sup>st</sup> December 2024)

Our Cluster has already pre-ordered the copies for our churches.

Each volume costs £155.00 ca.

Parishioners have the opportunity to sponsor a volume or more if they wish so.

## 22 June – Day in honour of St Thomas More

Please see page 4 for the schedule of the event.

## Parishioners Prayer Group

For a few weeks we are trialling having alternate weeks on Zoom and in MHN church. The Tuesday Zoom slot at 7 p.m. remains with Wednesday at 10.00 in church, beginning on 15th May. The church meetings are open to all, even if you don't attend the Zoom and we are hoping to use the We Dare to Pray booklets which have been available in church. (More are available if you don't manage to get one.) Followed by coffee in town.

**Tuesday 21st May 7pm Zoom - Wednesday 29th May 10am MHNJ church**

Feel free to join us for the Zoom and church meetings!

Please email: Marlene: [mrod268@yahoo.com](mailto:mrod268@yahoo.com), Elizabeth [andrpoole@gmail.com](mailto:andrpoole@gmail.com)

## Walkers Group

We would like to invite all parishioners in our Cluster to join our Walking Group. Our pace is determined by the walkers, with walks lasting for up to 2 hours allowing for a coffee break! Our next walk is planned for ..... at Irchester Country Park. Routes and days are chosen by members of the group. If you are interested in joining us please let Marlene or Elizabeth know. New members welcome. (Marlene: [mrod268@yahoo.com](mailto:mrod268@yahoo.com), Elizabeth [andrpoole@gmail.com](mailto:andrpoole@gmail.com))

# DIOCESAN NOTICES

## Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham - Sat 8<sup>th</sup> June 2024

12 midday Mass with Bishop David presiding.

3.00pm Procession along the Pilgrim Route to the Priory Grounds.

Service at the site of the original Holy House.

If you are interested, please let Fr Benedetto know. You can travel by your personal car to Walsingham. It would be great to organise a coach from our cluster, if anyone is interested in organising a coach service, please let Fr Benedetto know.

## Catholic Bishop's Conference of England and Wales

At the end of the last Plenary press conference Bishop David presented a pastoral reflection from the Bishops Conference. The document, titled *Intricately woven by the Lord: A pastoral reflection on gender by the bishops of England and Wales*, emphasises that all are welcome in the Church, but says that the sexual identity of an individual is not a purely "cultural or social construction." This document has been two years in the making and has been well received by both media and those in pastoral ministry. Read the **full document** here <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2024/04/REFLECTION-Intricately-Woven-By-The-Lord.pdf> Read a **summary** here <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2024/04/SUMMARY-Intricately-Woven-By-The-Lord.pdf>



Please click on the pictures above to access our diocesan News and Pilgrimage Programmes

## Women in Ministry – The Gathering 3

Did you know that the Northampton Diocese has a Women in Ministry group? We have our own web page <https://northamptondiocese.org/women-in-ministry/> and we made a key contribution to the recent Diocesan assembly. We have been active for a number of years and want to invite the women of our Diocese to our next Gathering on **June 8th** at St Mary's Woburn Sands, 10am until 4pm. This is an opportunity to reflect on women in the catholic church, their calling and vocation, their gifts and ministries, their voice in the synod and a chance to listen, pray, share, and reflect. For more information, please email [helen.burgess@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:helen.burgess@northamptondiocese.org) All are welcome!

## Introducing The New Translation Of The Lectionary

**11th June 2024** - Day for catechists, teachers, musicians, chaplains, and all interested.

The Liturgy Commission have organised a day for implementing the new translation of the Lectionary with Father Paul Turner. Please book yourselves in as soon as you can. It is hoped every parish and school will be represented.

We are blessed to have Fr Paul in our diocese for this event, please do all you can to attend. Email the Bishop's secretary on [bishopssecretary@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:bishopssecretary@northamptondiocese.org)

## Diocesan Day For Youth Ministers And Catechists

On Saturday **29th June** at the St Thomas Centre in Northampton, NYMO and Mission Northampton will partner with the talented people from RISE Theatre to explore ways of reaching young people in a practical way. Come along to make connections with youth ministers and catechists from across the diocese and takeaway some great ideas.

## Would You Like To Learn More About Your Faith?

Consider joining online to follow the **Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies** or **Diocesan Certificate in Religious Studies**? Both courses offer the same eight modules in Scripture and Catholic Theology with the CCRS leading to a nationally recognised qualification. Those who follow the CCRS/DCRS say they gain a great deal from the course, deepening their knowledge and understanding of their faith. To find out more about the course, contact Ann Collon E-mail:

[educationserviceadmin@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:educationserviceadmin@northamptondiocese.org) or visit our website: [www.northamptondioceseschools.org](http://www.northamptondioceseschools.org)

## Emmaus Course

A Weekend Journey to Emmaus (Luton): **Saturday 20th – Sunday 21st July 2024**. HOSTED BY MISSION NORTHAMPTON  
A heartwarming journey with Jesus as he explains the Scriptures. The road to Emmaus must be walked by all who wish to evangelise, since our hearts must be burning with the fire of the Word, in order to touch others with our words.

More information: <https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/a-weekend-journey-to-emmaus-july-2024-luton/>

# OTHER NOTICES

## Society Of Saint Gregory - Annual Summer School, Liverpool Hope University 31 Jul (pm) - 3 Aug 2024 (lunch)

### A Symphony Of Praise In Word And Music

"In this time of preparation, I would greatly desire that we devote 2024, the year preceding the Jubilee event, to a great symphony of prayer. Prayer, above all else, to renew our desire to be in the presence of the Lord, to listen to him and to adore him." *The Pope*

The programme includes Keynote speakers, liturgy, workshops, other presentations and more.

They welcome both Residential and Day Delegates and Bursary funding is available.

Further details, including the programme, and online booking are available at [www.ssg.org.uk/summer-school-2024](http://www.ssg.org.uk/summer-school-2024) or by emailing [summerschool@ssg.org.uk](mailto:summerschool@ssg.org.uk)

## Taizé Pilgrimage Young Adult Pilgrimage

Fr Alessandro Reno will lead a group of young people from our diocese to Taizé in August this year. They will embark on a ten-day trip from the **17 – 26 August** to experience this unique and wonderfully spiritual community. The trip is open to young people aged between 15 and 35 years old (those under 18 should receive parental permission).

For more information visit <https://st-augustines-church.org.uk/taize-2024/>

## Ask your MP to stop abortion up to birth being introduced

Diana Johnson and Stella Creasy have tabled amendments to the Criminal Justice Bill that would make extreme changes to our abortion laws. Both amendments would make it more likely that babies are aborted at home for any reason, up to birth.

**Take action:** To oppose the abortion up to birth amendments, email your MP via this link: [www.righttolife.org.uk/uptobirth](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/uptobirth)

## Pray As You Go - Jesuit daily online prayer support

This begins with variety of music - with the option to forward it if it's not to your taste today! This is followed by a reflection based on one of the readings of the day, with time to think and pray in between. There are also huge resources under 'Other Prayers' with retreats and series on all sorts of themes.

There are a number of other prayer apps and websites, but if you are looking, this is worth trying!

<https://pray-as-you-go.org/>

# St. Thomas More Feast Day at Raunds Chapel Saturday June 22nd 2024

## PROGRAMME

### PILGRIMAGE

**8.30am** All those taking part meet at St. Paul's Thrapston (dress for weather!)

**8.45am** Walking pilgrimage and prayers to St. Thomas More, Raunds (about 5miles) Lead by Nuala Salter (please arrange own transport)

#### At St. Thomas More Chapel, Raunds:

**11.30am** Arrivals – refreshments (S.V.P)

**11.45am** Welcome – Prayers for the day including prayers by St Thomas More

**Midday** – Angelus and Litany of Blessed Virgin Mary Mother of the Church and Queen of Martyrs

**12.10pm** Introduction to and performance of a short play based on the letters of Thomas More, whilst imprisoned, to his daughter Margaret.

**12.45pm** LUNCH (SVP)– Tables outside if weather good

**1.15pm** Set up and screening of '*A Man for All Seasons*' (in main body of church)

**Also:** Rosary talk and prayers with a chance to make your own decade, lead by Nuala Byrne-Wilker (in hall)

**3.15pm** Praise and worship uplifting by choir directed by Vince

**3.50pm** Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament with Meditation by Fr. Benedetto

**4.40pm** Benediction

**5.00pm** Vigil Mass of the Patronal Solemnity

Clean up (volunteers)



There will be a chance to invite folks to write their prayer intentions and tie them with ribbon to our railings (helped by Marie Ryan) which will be offered in the Mass.

### ALL WELCOME!

Visitors don't have to stay all day, all welcome to drop in or out as they wish.

Donations for St. Vincent de Paul(S.V.P) and Church maintenance.

**\*\*Please CAR SHARE where possible\*\***

## Diocesan Music Day - 11th May 2024

Last Saturday, three members of our Cluster attended the Diocesan Music Day at St Thomas Becket School, Northampton. Altogether there were some 50 singers and instrumentalists from across the Diocese. The day was led by Teresa Brown and Marcella Campaña from the Diocesan Liturgy Commission and by Matthew White, Head of Music at the Becket School whose 30 strong 'Worship Choir' also contributed throughout.

Reflecting on the day, Kathy Franklin says:

"The welcome with refreshments by the school students was wonderful and set the atmosphere for the day! The drama studio venue had been tastefully arranged with a large crucifix draped appropriately by the lectern. The school choir serenaded us with evangelical and traditional hymns prior to the start of the morning session which included lively vocal warm-ups and the singing of Teresa Brown's new 'Pilgrim Mass'.

Other various inspirational contributions were provided by Marcella Campaña, and Fr Daniel Rooke (Cathedral), with Fr. Andrew Behrens (St Gregory, Npt) explaining the 'order of importance' in singing at Mass.

For me, the most outstanding item of the day was learning the Easter Marian Anthem 'Regina Caeli' in the Latin Plainsong which I had not sung before."

And Philip Humphrey says:

"I didn't know what to expect of the Music Day and was a little concerned it would be full of music experts and that I would struggle. I took my treble recorder with me, hoping I wouldn't embarrass myself but I needn't have worried as we worked our way through Teresa Brown's new music for the Mass and lots of other music, either singing or playing instruments or both. There was also an enjoyable performance by the St Thomas Beckett school choir. If there is another music day I would recommend it to anyone interested in singing or playing, even if they're only beginners."

Vincent Davy writes:

"From my own point of view I can say it was good to come together with others from the Diocese. There was certainly plenty of singing across a wide range of styles and included 'Pilgrims of Hope', the newly composed international hymn to celebrate Jubilee Year 2025 which I aim to introduce to our Cluster later in the year [after a due conversation with our parish priest].

However, it could be said that there was too much music sung through with little extended rehearsal, satisfactory for experienced music readers but rather demanding for other singers and not conducive of polished performances. With everything displayed on a large projection screen, there were no copies available to be taken away; neither was there a printed running order for the day so what had been sung just had to be remembered. Personally, I would have welcomed the opportunity for group discussions or at least a Q&A session about liturgical music in our parishes generally. That said, I'd like to thank the organisers of the day for the opportunities of singing together and look forward to further work enhancing liturgical music at parish level."



### 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 PILGRIMAGE TO NORTHERN FRANCE

THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE  
OF NORTHAMPTON



Places  
Limited

## PILGRIMAGE OF PRAYER

2024 YEAR OF PRAYER

15/10/24 - 22/10/24

### NORTHERN FRANCE:

LISEUX / CHARTRES / PARIS



#### The price £1875 includes:

- Coach travel from our diocese
- 7 nights accommodation
- Daily breakfasts and dinner
- Daily Mass led by Bishop David Oakley
- Reflections from Fr John Udris



[www.northamptondiocese.org/pilgrimage](http://www.northamptondiocese.org/pilgrimage)

# DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO ROME AND ASSISI

THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE  
OF NORTHAMPTON



Places  
Limited

## PILGRIMAGE OF PRAYER

2025 JUBILEE YEAR

27/03/25 - 3/04/25

### ROME AND ASSISI

#### The price includes:

- return flight from Birmingham or Heathrow/Rome
- 5 nights in Rome
- continental buffet breakfast in Rome and Assisi
- 2 nights in Assisi



[www.northamptondiocese.org/pilgrimage](http://www.northamptondiocese.org/pilgrimage)



## 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.

### **Diocesan Audit by the Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA)**

As you know, the diocese was audited by the CSSA in November last year. This was our first baseline audit under the new national arrangements, and we very much appreciated your support during this process. We are now in a position to be able to share our audit feedback with you and we are delighted to say that the diocese was given an overall rating of Comprehensive Assurance, which represents the second highest grading. The executive summary is now accessible on the CSSA website: <https://catholicsafeguarding.org.uk/audits-and-reports/cssa-audit-reports/> The full report will soon be made available through our diocesan communication channels.

As well as highlighting many areas of good practice, the audit has also assisted us in identifying further areas that we would like to develop. We plan to highlight more detail about our audit feedback later in the year when we meet with you through various training opportunities.

To make any enquiries please contact safeguarding office on **01604723514** or [safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org)

#### **PARISH SAFEGUARDING CONTACT**

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### **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.

## **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.

### **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/>



**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

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

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