

Parish Priest: Father Benedetto D'Autilia

Liturgical Colour: Green
 Wisdom 11:22-12:2
 Psalms 144:1-2,8-11,13b-14
 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2
 Luke 19: 1-10

PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

At the entrance to each church, you will find some brown envelopes for prayers for the faithful departed.

Please deposit your envelope with the names you want to include for the Masses celebrated on 2nd November in the purple box or basket near to the sanctuary.



REQUIESCAT IN PACE

MONDAY 31st October 1pm
 at St Paul's Thrapston
Requiem Mass for
Ada (Adeline) Smith

MEETING TIMES THIS WEEK

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

St Thomas Raunds | 5:00pm

SUNDAY MASSES

Most Holy Name Oundle | 8:45am

St Paul Thrapston | 10:45am

CONFESSION

During Adoration on Thursdays & Fridays
 Also by appointment.

PARISHIONERS PRAYER GROUP

After discussions with members of the Prayer Group, it has been decided to hold weekly meetings as follows:

Zoom meetings every Tuesday at 7pm
Except on 2nd Tuesday of every month:
 when we will hold Face to Face meetings at Oundle Church at 10 a.m. followed by coffee.

All parishioners are welcome to attend Face to Face and/or Zoom meetings when convenient.

If you need further information, please email Marlene on mrod268@yahoo.com.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING

Ages 10-18 - with Father Benedetto
 St Paul the Apostle | Thrapston
 Saturday 5th November 12-noon

What is ...?

Heaven: Those who die in God's grace and friendship and are perfectly purified live for ever with Christ. They are like God for ever, for they "see him as he is," face to face.

Purgatory: All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven.

Hell: We cannot be united with God unless we freely choose to love him. But we cannot love God if we sin gravely against him, against our neighbour or against ourselves. To die in mortal sin without repenting and accepting God's merciful love means remaining separated from him for ever by our own free choice. This state of definitive self-exclusion from communion with God and the blessed is called "hell."

Catechism of the Catholic Church 1023, 1030, 1033

	St. Paul the Apostle Thrapston	Most Holy Name of Jesus Oundle	St. Thomas More Raunds
Sunday	SUNDAY 30th OCTOBER THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 10:45AM : Mass Jennifer Holmes RIP & Anna Breen well-being	SUNDAY 30th OCTOBER THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 08:45am : Mass Brenda Horton - well being	SATURDAY 29th OCTOBER VIGIL OF THE THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 5pm : Mass Safe journey
weekdays	TUESDAY 1st NOVEMBER Solemnity of ALL SAINTS 6:30pm : Mass	MONDAY 31st OCTOBER Solemnity of ALL SAINTS 6:00pm : Mass	TUESDAY 1st NOVEMBER Solemnity of ALL SAINTS 10.00am : Mass
	WEDNESDAY 2nd NOVEMBER ALL SOULS 11:00am : Mass	WEDNESDAY 2nd NOVEMBER ALL SOULS 6:00pm : Mass	WEDNESDAY 2nd NOVEMBER ALL SOULS 9:30am : Mass
	THURSDAY 3rd NOVEMBER NO MASS	FRIDAY 4th NOVEMBER 10.00am : Mass Adoration & Confessions after Mass	FRIDAY 4th NOVEMBER 2pm : Rosary & Divine Mercy 3pm : Stations of the Cross
SATURDAY 5th NOVEMBER GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR ALL CHURCHES - St Paul the Apostle - Thrapston - 11am			
Sunday	SUNDAY 6th NOVEMBER THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 10:45AM : Mass Sheila Brannigan & Ada Smith RIP	SUNDAY 6th NOVEMBER THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 08:45am : Mass	SATURDAY 5th NOVEMBER VIGIL OF THE THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 5pm : Mass

PARISHIONERS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Dear parishioners,

I would like to call a **General Assembly** of all the parishioners of our two Parishes in our three churches of Most Holy Name of Jesus – Oundle, Saint Paul the Apostle – Thrapston & Saint Thomas More, Raunds.

This will happen on **Saturday 5th November 2022 at 11.00am in the church of Saint Paul in Thrapston.**

I would like to listen to your advice on a matter which is of great importance and which will affect the timing of our three Sunday Masses in each respective church. Our three liturgical and pastoral groups are one community. Three different parts of the same body. Therefore, we need to act together in order to bear witness to the unity of the Church. We have experienced this in our last fund raising event. I was really glad in seeing parishioners from our three towns having fun together and witnessing the 'brotherly love' expressed in the New Testament.

I have received some notices from staff members and students from the Oundle School regarding the time of Mass at Most Holy Name's on Sundays. The timing of Mass was already clashing with activities in school when it was at 9.00am. This has led some students to not attend Sunday Mass and maybe to choose to attend a non-Catholic service. As you well know this cannot pass unobserved by us and should not be dismissed as a problem that only concerns the school. My proposal is to move our Masses around as follows:

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5.30pm OUNDLE
Sunday Mass: 9.00am RAUNDS
Sunday Mass: 11.00am THRAPSTON

I know this is not the first change we have had and I cannot say it will be the last.

I appreciate your cooperation and advice. If you have other alternatives that could be of greater advantage to all three churches please attend the General Assembly.

Let us start to keep this situation in our prayers and ask for God's inspiration.

God bless

Fr. Benedetto

REDISCOVERING THE TEACHINGS OF VATICAN II

The text below is a summary of the document, which you can refer to on:

https://www.vatican.va/archive/hist_councils/ii_vatican_council/documents/vat-ii_const_19631204_sacrosanctum-concilium_en.html

May we be refreshed by God's Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Knowledge. With St Augustine of Hippo we shall say:

Breathe into me, Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Move in me, Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Attract my heart, Holy Spirit, that I may love only what is holy. Strengthen me, Holy Spirit, that I may defend all that is holy. Protect me, Holy Spirit, that I may always be holy. Amen

Chapter 6 – SACRED MUSIC

“The musical tradition of the universal Church is a treasure of inestimable value, greater even than that of any other art. The main reason for this pre-eminence is that, as sacred song united to the words, it forms a necessary or integral part of the solemn liturgy.” (SC,112)

- “ministerial function supplied by sacred music in the service of the Lord”
- “more holy in proportion as it is more closely connected with the liturgical action”
- adds delight to prayer
- fosters unity of minds
- confers greater solemnity upon the sacred rites.

Sacred music is to be considered the more holy in proportion as it is more closely connected with the liturgical action

“The treasure of sacred music is to be preserved and fostered with great care.” (SC,114)

- “Choirs must be diligently promoted”

- “whenever the sacred action is to be celebrated with song, the whole body of the faithful (should) be able to contribute that active participation which is rightly theirs.”

Music to be taught & practiced in seminaries (SC,115)

- higher institutes of sacred music to be founded

- “Composers and singers must also be given a genuine liturgical training”

Gregorian chant “specially suited to the Roman liturgy” and given pride of place (SC,116)

- “other kinds of sacred music, especially polyphony, are by no means excluded from liturgical celebrations, so long as they accord with the spirit of the liturgical action”

“Religious singing by the people is to be intelligently fostered so that ... the voices of the faithful may ring out according to the norms and requirements of the rubrics.” (SC,118)

Local musical traditions, especially in mission lands, given due importance & suitable place (SC,119)

Pipe organ is “held in high esteem (as) the traditional musical instrument which adds a wonderful splendour to the Church's ceremonies and powerfully lifts up man's mind to God and to higher things.” (SC,120)

- “other instruments also may be admitted for use in divine worship”

- “with the knowledge and consent of the competent territorial authority”

- Only if suitable for sacred use, if they “accord with the dignity of the temple, and truly contribute to the edification of the faithful.”

Composers called “to cultivate sacred music and increase its store of treasures.” (SC,121)

- “The texts intended to be sung must always be in conformity with Catholic doctrine;

indeed they should be drawn chiefly from holy scripture and from liturgical sources.”

Chapter 7 - SACRED ART & SACRED FURNISHINGS

“The fine arts are considered to rank among the noblest activities of man's genius, and this applies especially to religious art and to its highest achievement, which is sacred art.” (SC,122)

- “oriented toward the infinite beauty of God which they attempt in some way to portray”

- “single aim of turning men's minds devoutly toward God.”

- “all things set apart for use in divine worship should be truly worthy, becoming, and beautiful, signs and symbols of the supernatural world”

- “the Church has, with good reason, always reserved to herself the right to pass judgment upon the arts, deciding which of the works of artists are in accordance with faith, piety, and cherished traditional laws, and thereby fitted for sacred use”

- “sacred furnishings should worthily and beautifully serve the dignity of worship”

No particular style. Treasury of art through time must be preserved. (SC,123)

- “provided that it adorns the sacred buildings and holy rites with due reverence and honour”

“strive after noble beauty rather than mere sumptuous display” (SC,124)

- Remove what is “repugnant to faith, morals, and Christian piety, and which offend true religious sense either by depraved forms or by lack of artistic worth, mediocrity and pretense.”

- “when churches are to be built, let great care be taken that they be suitable for the celebration of liturgical services and for the active participation of the faithful.”

Sacred images are to be kept for veneration of the faithful (SC,125)

- In moderate number, and in appropriate locations. Avoid confusion & “devotion of doubtful orthodoxy”

Bishops to consult diocesan commission on sacred art and other experts (SC,126)

- Don't get rid of “sacred furnishings and works of value” - they are ornaments of God's house.

Artists should be imbued “with the spirit of sacred art and of the sacred liturgy” (SC,127)

- schools or academies of sacred art called for to train artists

- Artists imitate God's sacred act of creation

Revise laws for material things in sacred worship (SC,128)

- worthy and well planned construction of sacred buildings,

- the shape and construction of altars,

- the nobility, placing, and safety of the eucharistic tabernacle,

- the dignity and suitability of the baptistery,

- the proper ordering of sacred images, embellishments, and vestments

Clerical training in “history and development of sacred art” & “the sound principles governing the production of its works” to be “able to appreciate and preserve the Church's venerable monuments, and be in a position to aid, by good advice, artists who are engaged in producing works of art.” (SC,129)

The St Vincent de Paul Charity at work in our community

In recent weeks, the St Vincent de Paul (SVP) Charity in Kettering has grown in size and has joined with the SVP in Thrapston to create a combined Kettering & Thrapston SVP Conference, with a combined team of 15 volunteers, serving the communities of Kettering, Rothwell, Desborough, Thrapston, Oundle and Raunds.

Our SVP volunteers seek to help those who are in need, whether this means providing support to those who are suffering from loneliness, those who are sick or those who may need help with basic day to day issues. In some cases, we are able to provide financial support to beneficiaries to purchase basic items such as white goods or furniture through the kind donations that we receive.

Earlier this year, in response to the tragic war in Ukraine, the SVP in England and Wales set up a financial Disaster Fund, created from public donations to support families fleeing Ukraine and coming to the UK to stay with sponsor families. In our area, the SVP has been accessing this fund to help several dozens of Ukraine families with financial support to help them become established and to purchase items such as winter clothing, help with transport costs, children's uniforms, furniture and other basic requirements. This work is still ongoing as we find more families who have to come live with sponsors in our area.

More recently, in response to the dramatic cost-of-living crisis, the SVP has further launched a £500,000 Cost of Living Support Fund to support families and individuals who need help during the crisis this winter. We are now able to access this fund to support those in need in our local community.

Therefore, if you know of anyone in our community who may be struggling and could benefit from support from the SVP, please get in touch (see details below) – all calls are confidential. Also, if you would like to make a donation or wish to enquire about becoming a volunteer with the SVP, we would be delighted to hear from you. Many thanks for your kind support!

For further information, please contact: Joe Gasan – 07860 372283, or email svpthrapston@gmail.com. Also, if you would like more information about the work of the SVP charity, then please visit our website www.svp.org.uk

Cost of Living Support Fund



**Cost-of-Living Crisis
Can you help?**

As winter approaches, people on low incomes will be hardest hit.

We've launched a £500,000 Cost-of-living Support Fund to help our local groups support individuals and families through this difficult time.

Know someone who needs help?

- Contact your local SVP
- Request help on our website
- Join the SVP

If you'd like to donate (maybe you've received a winter fuel payment you don't need?), scan the QR code opposite.

Together we can make a difference.

To donate, visit our website:

fundraising.svp.org.uk/page/113481/donate/
or scan this QR code >>



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Turning Concern into Action

Making the Most of the Mass : webinar, Monday 14th November, 7.30pm

Do you sometimes wish you knew more about the Mass, or could help others go deeper in faith?

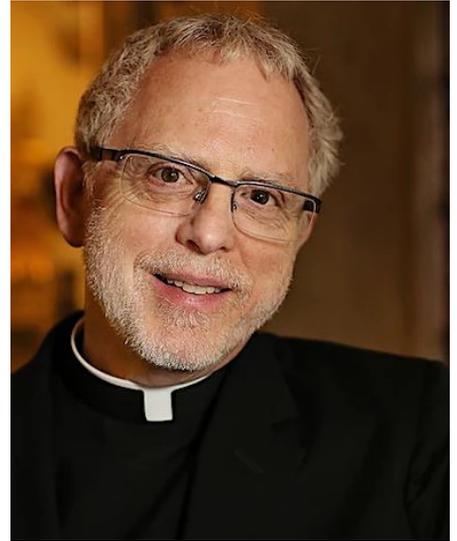
Join renowned liturgist Fr Paul Turner in conversation with Avril Baigent as we unpack how we can make the most of the Mass. Whether you're involved in a ministry at Mass (for example as reader, Eucharistic Minister, musician or Children's Liturgy Leader) or would like to deepen your encounter with God in the Mass, you are sure to be inspired, challenged and uplifted.

Our session responds to the call of Pope Francis, who recently invited us. "to rekindle our wonder for the beauty of the truth of the Christian celebration, to remind us of the necessity of an authentic liturgical formation, and to recognize the importance of an art of celebrating that is at the service of the truth of the Paschal Mystery and of the participation of all of the baptized in it, each one according to his or her vocation."

[Desiderio Desideravi n.62]

We look forward to the conversation!

Register and find out more here: https://making_the_most_of_mass.eventbrite.co.uk



SR. NATHALIE BECQUART



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FR. JAMES MALLON

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The Challenges and
Opportunities of Synodality

Friday 18th November 6pm

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Join us for a conversation with Sr. Nathalie Becquart and Fr. James Mallon on synodality, and the challenges and opportunities it presents for the parish.

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After 10:45hrs Mass in Thrapston
Every Sunday

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After 08:45hrs Mass in Oundle
Next date 6th November
Orla & Jaspal



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Gifts in your Will are a memorable and lasting way you can continue to support the Church's ministry and mission and help meet the needs of future generations. Please consider gifts to the Church and Catholic charities next time you update your Will. For more information, pick up a bookmark; contact Fr Benedetto

Go to www.northamptondiocese.org/your-legacy

or Brian Emmanuel on 01604 600337

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MASS INTENTIONS

Every Mass is offered to God for everybody (living and dead). However we can apply each Mass for special intentions. The intention could be for the **well being** or the **eternal rest** (RIP) of a person.

You can book an intention by writing the desired date, church and name(s) on an envelope and hand it to the priest. 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.

CHURCH CLEANING AT ST PAUL'S

Thank you to all those who have volunteered to help with Church cleaning. We need some more names to compile teams to work together, the more we have the easier the workload. We will start by cleaning the Church on a fortnightly basis and hope to have at least four people per team. If we can get enough names it would mean helping out once every six weeks. The dates/times can be arranged to fit in with other commitments people have.

If you are able to help please let Father Benedetto or Moira Brown know as soon as possible: moira.brown@hotmail.co.uk

Attending Mass: We encourage all Parishioners to wear masks whilst inside our churches

Please sit where you wish, using common sense and respecting other's right to space. Our Holy Water Stoop is back in use. Communion will be administered at the foot of the sanctuary steps.

The Sign of Peace : please nod/bow to those around you. Our collection has restarted.

PARISH FOOD BANKS IN OUR CHURCHES

There is a box for donations to our foodbank at the back of the Church. Please do try to support this - if each family could donate just one item a week this would make a big difference. We need non-perishable items - tins of meat, fish, fruit, vegetables, rice pudding, packets of pasta, rice, tea & coffee, cartons of long-life milk & fruit juice, and also basic toiletries & household goods - soap, toothpaste, shampoo, washing powder, washing-up liquid etc. We are currently supporting Ukrainian families living in the Oundle area as well as local families and demand can only increase.



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



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