



# 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 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024

### XXXI Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical Colour: **Green**

- 5:00pm(Sat) **(STM)** Vigil Holy Mass (*Pro Populo*)  
 9:15am **(MHNJ)** Holy Mass (*Jim & Evelyn Searle RIP*)  
 11:00am **(SPA)** Holy Mass (*Roumaldo & Fernando Pinhoiro RIP*)

### Rest of the Week

**Monday (SPA)** Memorial of St Charles Borromeo

- 10:00am Holy Mass  
*(Fr William Bainbridge & Fr Christopher Roberts RIP)*

**Tuesday (SPA)** FERIA

- 09:00am Holy Mass  
*(Mgr Anthony McDermott & Canon Michael Griffiths RIP)*

**Thursday (SPA)** FERIA

- 10:00am Holy Mass followed by **Holy Hour**  
*(Leon Meager RIP)*

10:30-11:15am **CONFESSIONS**

**Friday (MHNJ)** Votive Mass of Sacred Heart

- 10:00am Holy Mass followed by **CONFESSIONS**  
*(Rita well-being)*

**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



## Jubilee Year 2025

to watch videos, click on image.



**To sign-up to CASPAR**, our Cluster Database, please use the QR Codes below or simply type in the 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.

### 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)

## UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

**17<sup>th</sup> November** – Our churches Maintenance

**24<sup>th</sup> November** – Catholic Youth Services

**8<sup>th</sup> December** - SVP

## MEETING TIMES THIS WEEK

### RCIA COURSE: DISCOVERING THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Meeting every Monday at 7pm during school term at St Paul's Presbytery in Thrapston

### PARISHIONERS PRAYER GROUP

Zoom meeting on Tuesdays at **7pm**. If you need further information and a link, please email Marlene via the parish email.

### RAUNDS PRAYER GROUP

Meetings every Friday at St Thomas More chapel

**2.00pm** Rosary and Divine Mercy chaplet

**3.00pm** Stations of the Cross

## COURSE FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFESSION

The Programme is open to children in Years 3, 4, 5, who currently attend Mass each Sunday.

The Course will take place over roughly 18 months. In this way we will not rush the programme, and we will go to the pace of the children.

The course will begin on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2025 5:00pm** and will take place every Monday thereafter (during school Term Time) in the church of St Paul the Apostle, Thrapston.

Parents Meeting at St Paul's church, Thrapston.  
Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2025 after 11am Mass.

**Please pic-up a form from the back of church.**

Weekly participation at the Sunday Mass and full course attendance **is essential** to complete the Programme.

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Presbytery & Office TEL. 01832 617 050

DIOCESAN NEWS: <https://northamptondiocese.org/news/>

# ASK YOUR MP TO STOP ASSISTED SUICIDE BEING RUSHED INTO LAW



VISIT

[www.righttolife.org.uk/contactmp](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/contactmp)



On **29 November**, MPs will vote on whether to introduce an extreme assisted suicide law.

Our nation is now on the verge of a monumental shift in how we treat human life and the vulnerable, in a similar way to what we faced two generations ago in 1967 when the Abortion Act was introduced.

If assisted suicide is legalised, hundreds of thousands of vulnerable lives will be at risk over the coming decades.

The vote on the Leadbeater assisted suicide Bill comes at a time when many elderly people are heading into winter with their Winter Fuel Payment cut by the Government. Palliative

care services are in crisis with over 100,000 people dying each year without receiving the palliative care they desperately need. Our wider healthcare system is in a state of crisis, with Labour's own Health Secretary describing the NHS as "broken".

Within this context, this proposed assisted suicide law is a disaster waiting to happen.

You can make a difference right now by contacting your MP to ask them to stop assisted suicide from being rushed into law.

ASK YOUR MP TO **VOTE NO** TO THE  
LEADBEATER ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL.

It only takes 30 seconds using the easy-to-use tool at [www.righttolife.org.uk/contactmp](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/contactmp)



## 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/>

To make any 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?

Children are always very welcomed at Mass.

The following are logistic advices. Common sense should always be the main drive. 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 allowance 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

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

[svp140512@gmail.com](mailto:svp140512@gmail.com) Joe Gasan on 07565 395955



### 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.

## 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.



### 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.

## CLUSTER NOTICES

### Devotion for the Souls in Purgatory

During the month of November, brown envelopes will be available for names of the deceased. A box, for the reception of the envelopes, will be by the sanctuary. Please do not put money inside the brown envelopes. If you want to make a donation, please give it to Father or put it into a marked envelope in the collection.

### Pastoral Meeting at STM

On Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November, Father Benedetto will chair a meeting at the chapel of St Thomas More to listen to concerns from parishioners.

This meeting will start after the Vigil Mass and will end by 7:00pm. Lee Shepherd has kindly agreed to be secretary at the meeting.

ALL ARE WELCOME

### SVP Christmas Collection

After your fantastic response to the Love Christmas campaign last year we are asking for your generous support again. Last year the SVP were able to provide bags of gifts to 26 families and elderly people who were extremely grateful of your thoughts and support. This year the SVP will work in partnership with Caritas Northampton and the Northamptonshire Children's Trust working with the most vulnerable families to provide Christmas gifts and spread some joy.

Suggested donations are toys, books, toiletries, gloves, scarves, socks, biscuits, chocolates. For more details please look for the leaflet in Church. Boxes will be available in all Churches in the parish from mid November until December 8th.

### Mary's Meals

Mary's Meals would like to thank everyone in the parish for their generosity in response to our Foreign Currency initiative. It raised £484.35 which means Mary's Meals will be able to feed 25 children one good meal every school day for a whole year because of your support. Please continue to pray for the work of Mary's Meals. God bless you all.

### SOS: In Need of a Stitcher

Father Benedetto is looking for someone to repair the seams of vestments (not the embroidery). If you think you can help, please let him know.



## DIOCESAN NOTICES

### Liturgy Commission

Introducing the new translation of the Lectionary - Zoom – Wednesday 6 November, 7.30pm-9pm for parishioners and anyone interested. Please register via the diocesan website <https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/>

### Flame 2025

Our diocesan youth ministry team, NYMO have acquired tickets to the national youth gathering, Flame. Taking place on Saturday **15th March 2025** at the Ovo arena, Wembley, Flame is open to all those aged 14-25 years of age. For more information visit <https://nymo.org/flame-2025/>

## OTHER NOTICES

### Praying with St Dominic, 1st – 3rd November 2024

This retreat explores the life and faith of St Dominic de Guzman, founder of the Order of Preachers (the Dominicans), whose objective was to continue safeguarding the Catholic faith. His Marian devotion and the place of the rosary in Christian prayer will be a special focus of this retreat preached by Fr Lawrence Lew, OP. For more information and to register, click here <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/praying-with-saint-dominic/>

### Aid to the Church in Need Appeal: 20th November 2024

Your support over the years means that #RedWednesday is a significant voice for persecuted Christians around the world. Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) is extremely grateful for your support. This year's focus is on Christian children who are displaced and suffering due to targeted violence. In the coming weeks, you will receive information about how your parish can get involved - so please watch out for ACN's Parish Red Alert envelope! To mark this day the Cathedral will be lit up by red lights and the Bishop will celebrate Mass on Thursday, 21st November.

### IMPORTANT: ASSISTED DYING BILL

Baroness Hollins writes:

"As you will have seen in the news Kim Leadbeater MP will be introducing a Bill into parliament this month to legally permit medical doctors to end the life of those with a terminal illness. This bill is likely to be concerning on several levels but especially in this attempt to move doctors out of their primary duty to care for patients and towards participation in what will soon, if the bill is passed, become a new UK business sector of euthanasia provision.

#### You could help and act in two ways:

1. please write to your MP in your own words – not more than one page - sharing your own experiences and views. MPs will have a free vote and so will be interested to hear what you have to say. The government themselves have stated that social care, the NHS, social benefits for carers are not fit for purpose. Hospices and palliative care are massively underfunded too. Aside from any other factors in such circumstances it seems to me the wrong time to introduce such a bill before reform and resources are addressed. If you are unsure who your MP is you can find out here.
2. it seems to me essential that even if this bill is passed doctors and nurses should not be turned into the providers of lethal injections or other deliberate forms of what will be euthanasia. It would quickly break their professional integrity and upend patient trust. It would be good also therefore if we could tell our MPs that even if they are minded to support the bill, deliberately ending a life is not a job for doctors, the NHS or private hospitals. And, even if they support the bill it needs to be amended to protect doctors and nurses by creating a new highly regulated profession outside the health and social care system. And the impact on vulnerable communities must be a matter of public record with regular reporting to Parliament."

The CBCEW website has been updated with a raft of resources regarding the assisted suicide legislation that is currently working its way through Parliament. This link will take you to the relevant page on the website: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/>

## Be Still and Know that I am God, 21st – 24th November 2024

Join Fr Roger Dawson, SJ, for this retreat exploring the human condition with practices common to mindfulness and to Christian contemplative prayer. The retreat will seek to reclaim those practices that share common ground with the tradition of apophatic prayer and theology rooted in the monastic and the Eastern Orthodox traditions. For more information and to register:

<https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/be-still-and-know-that-i-am-god/>

### SOUSTER YOUTH RECRUITING

SOUSTER youth are excited to offer the role of Schools Worker and are looking for a new person to join their team.

Could this be you?

Do you know someone who might be interested?

The job advertisement can be found here:

<https://www.sousteryouth.org/newsandarticles/job-schools-worker>

### Marriage and Family Life

You Can Help Your Marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This programme has helped 1000s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about Retrouvaille or to register for the next programme starting with a residential weekend from 8th - 10th Nov Call or text 0788 7296983 or Email:

[retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com)  
[www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

### AQUINAS 101

Unlock your free guide to the wisdom of St. Thomas Aquinas Get unlimited access to video lessons exploring faith and reason, happiness, man, God, the problem of evil, and much more. St Thomas Aquinas is one of the most valid theologians of the Church, whose teachings are ever new and very captivating to young minds of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

[www.aquinas101.thomisticinstitute.org](http://www.aquinas101.thomisticinstitute.org)

## BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

### Raunds cemetery:

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November 12noon

### Oundle cemetery:

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November after Mass

### Thrapston cemetery:

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November 10:30am

Each service of the blessing of the graves will take place weather permitting.

## PASTORAL MEETINGS

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – **Readers'** meeting 6:00pm  
@ St Thomas More's

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – **Servers'** meeting 12:30pm  
@ St Paul's followed by a meal in the Presbytery

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November – **Choir and musicians'** meeting  
2:00pm @ St Paul's



Thrapston Plaza Opera 2024

## Comic Choral Concert

including popular Opera Choruses  
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First performance  
of

### 'Carmina Comica'

by Chris Lowe and Colin Sell

with interval musings from

### Colin Sell

'I'm Sorry I Haven't a Clue' Radio 4 Pianist

**SUNDAY 3rd November at 4pm**

St James Church, Thrapston  
Northamptonshire

Tickets Adults £10 Children £3  
[www.ticketsource.co.uk/thrapston-plaza-opera](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/thrapston-plaza-opera)  
and on the door

Light refreshments and licensed wine bar available

Concert generously sponsored by



[www.thrapstonplazaopera.com](http://www.thrapstonplazaopera.com)

Vincent Davy, will be conducting a fun choral concert in St James' Anglican church in Thrapston on Sunday **3rd November** at 4pm featuring a new work by BBC Radio 4 "Sorry I haven't a clue" pianist Colin Sell, who will give an interval talk about his BBC career.

Tickets £10 from:

[www.ticketsource.co.uk/thrapstonplazaopera](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/thrapstonplazaopera)