Parish of St. Boniface, Okehampton & Holy Family, Chagford www.stbonifacechurch.co.uk Plymouth R.C. Diocese

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9th May 2021 6th Week of Easter Year B

Times of Masses & Services

Our Churches are open for Sunday Services

Sat	8 th May	6.00 pm	online only	First Mass of Sunday
Sun	9 th May	9.00 am	Chagford (in Church)	People of the Parish
		11.00 am	Okehampton (in Church)	Mary Gilliat RIP
Tue	11 th May	7.00 pm	online only	
Wed	12 th May	7.00 pm	online only	VIGIL OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD
Thurs	13 th May	10.30 am	online only	THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD
Fri	14 th May	10.00 am	Eucharistic service (online	only) ST MATTHIAS - APOSTLE
Sat	15 th May	6.00 pm	Okehampton (in Church)	First Mass of Sunday
Sun	16 th May	9.00 am	Chagford (in Church)	7 TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
		11.00 am	Okehampton (in Church)	

<u>Thy Kingdom Come</u>: International Ecumenical Initiative of Thy Kingdom Come is promoting a novena of prayer from Ascension Thursday through until Pentecost Sunday, introducing more people to Jesus. This year it is encouraging us all to pray particularly for a minimum of five nominated friends or relatives, on a daily basis, that we wish to bring closer to Jesus. Bishop Mark has taken the lead on this evangelisation initiative and this can be viewed on the short clip at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=10P_Y-MDQ7E. Further information and resources are available at the Thy Kingdom Come website: https://www.thykingdomcome.global

<u>Livestream recitation of the Rosary</u> within the diocese on Sunday, May 30th, 11am-12 noon with Bishop Mark from the Cathedral (see Diocesan website) and Saturday, May 24th, 8pm, from St. Joseph's, Newton Abbot, using the following link https://www.facebook.com/stjosephsparishnewtonabbot/videos/

Please find a poster attached with this email about this.

Papal Prayer Initiative for May including Walsingham: More details in the attachment.

2nd Collection for India: You may be aware that India is on the world news these days struggling to contain the COVID Tsunami. There are number of requests for help but I am aware we can't meet every one's request but will do whatever we can with our limited resources. There will be 2nd collection at the weekend of 15/16th May. **The feast of St Rita of Cascia** will be celebrated at St Rita's Centre, Honiton, Devon on Saturday 22nd May with Mass at 12 noon followed by the blessing and distribution of roses for the sick. You are all very welcome to join us. This celebration will be carefully prepared and will follow all national guidelines and the sanitary protocols suggested by health institutions. Because of national restrictions places for the Mass must be pre-booked. Please book online (www.stritascentre.org) or ring the office on 01404 42635.

Re-opening the Churches for Mass: In accordance with government guidelines, the windows and doors will be open during the service. We need to continue to maintain social distancing and ask for your help. One of the stewards will show you to your seat; please sit at the ends of the pews, not towards the middle, to keep maximum distance between different households. Please wear a mask or face covering and keep this on throughout the service, except when receiving Communion. There is hand sanitiser for use by the door of the church, but please bring your own small bottle of sanitiser and use this before you leave your seat to receive Communion.

<u>More Volunteers please</u>: While following all the guidelines from the government we like to open our Churches on Saturdays as well as the weekdays eventually. For this to happen we need more volunteers. Anyone who like to volunteer to be a steward please contact Justine Frain for Holy Family, Chagford on jmfrain@aol.com and Ann Radnor for St. Boniface, Okehampton on theradnors@hotmail.com

<u>Thanks</u>: We would like to express our sincere thanks to all parishioners who have continued to donate to the Parish during the closure of St. Boniface and The Holy Family Churches. We are very grateful for your support and financial commitment. Your generous donations have ensured that we have been able to meet the financial needs of the Parish during this pandemic.

If you have signed a Gift Aid Declaration (GAD) Form, we will be able to claim an extra 25p for every £1 you have donated under the Government's Gift Aid scheme. If you are unsure if you have completed a GAD or if you are a UK tax payer and would like to participate in the Gift Aid scheme, please contact Father Darline or Mary Binns - embinns@hotmail.co.uk

With grateful thanks

Patrick Morris (Parish Treasurer)

Mary Binns (Parish Gift Aid Organiser)

<u>Christians Together Okehampton</u>: Bill and Olive Hennessey have been actively representing our St. Boniface Church at the CTO for many years now. They feel it is right time for somebody else to take over this important role from them. Therefore, I am looking for a volunteer (can be a couple too). If anybody is interested, please do let me know. You can contact me either via email darlinemsfs@gmail.com or on 01837 52229.

<u>Mass via Land line/Phone:</u> If you do not have access to smart phones or computers, you are very welcome to join in for the Masses by telephoning one of the numbers below. You will be charged for normal landline access (which may already be included in your phone plan). Please ring one of the numbers below and follow the instructions given under the numbers.

- 1. You will be asked to enter the Meeting ID followed by a hash #. The meeting ID is 164 799 815
- 2. Then you will be asked to enter a Participant ID followed by a #. You will also be told that if you don't have a participant ID just press #

Please just enter the # without adding any number. (You do not need a Participant ID to join the Mass)

3. Lastly, you will be asked to enter the password followed by a #. The password is 668447. You will then be connected.

The link, meeting ID and Password will continue to remain the same until further notice. Please feel free to share this information to anyone who might wish to join in for our Masses.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/164799815?pwd=bU9MZmcxbzNBa2dLS01ialhiUWJYZz09

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<u>Vacancy for a Deputy Head at St. Boniface College in Plymouth:</u> Plymouth CAST is seeking to appoint an outstanding, enthusiastic and dedicated individual to be based at St Boniface's College and join the Senior and Executive Leadership Team working across Notre Dame Plymouth and St Boniface's College. More details in the attachment.

<u>The Pope's Intention for May</u>: The World of Finance: Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

<u>Prayers:</u> Please pray for: Patricia van Kuyk, Helen, Ann Durden-Higgins, Doreen Hughes, Derek & Ruth, Pat, Jackie Mc Intyre, Maureen Bayfield, Michele Collier, Diana Selwood Wielink, Alex Joyce, John Keating, Jean & Tilly Rhodes, Jenny Kennedy, Anne Brooks, Sheila Rogers, Bob Bell, Molly Rogers, Jean Wood, Janet Vickers, Margaret Snell, Maureen Frances, Elizabeth Gregory, David Jennings, Maureen Hartwell, Dee Thomas, Jean Arnold Jones, Kevin Power, Rosemary Hopkins, Isabelle Chenery, Reta DeLarge, Justin Aldred, Pat Bennett, Jamie Shott and Alan Pook.