

Parish of St. Boniface, Okehampton
& Holy Family, Chagford

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1ST WEEK ORDINARY TIME

Year A

Times of Masses & Services

Sat	7 th	January	6.00 pm	Okehampton	People of the Parish
Sun	8 th	January	9.00 am	Chagford	Mayda Reynolds 4 th anniversary RIP
			11.00 am	Okehampton	BAPTISM OF OUR LORD
Tue	10 th	January	7.00 pm	Okehampton	
Wed	11 th	January	10.00 am	Okehampton	
Thurs	12 th	January	10.30 am	Chagford	St Aelred of Rievaulx
Fri	13 th	January	10.00 am	Okehampton	
Sat	14 th	January	6.00 pm	Okehampton	First Mass of Sunday
Sun	15 th	January	9.00 am	Chagford	2 ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
			11.00 am	Okehampton	

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 5.15 p.m. to 5.45 p.m. or by arrangement.

Sad News: Jean Arnold Jones sadly passed away on Thursday December 29th in Exeter Hospice. Many of you will know that Jean hasn't been well for a while. She was in the hospice for two weeks and was at peace. She was visited by the priest in Exeter. Jean's funeral is on Thursday 2nd February at 12 noon, Holy Family, Chagford. Father Darline wishes to thank those parishioners who were helping Jean in her last few days. May she rest in peace.

Maureen Hartwell: Maureen's funeral is on 17th January 2023 at 1pm at Holy Family Chagford. Maureen was a much-loved parishioner and several of our parishioners including Father Darline visited her in her care home in Exeter. Sincere condolences to the family.

Christians Together in Okehampton: are holding a 'Christians Together' week from 18th - 25th January 2023. Every day of that week there will be events taking place at churches around the town. You are warmly invited to participate in all or any of these! St Boniface will be having 'Silent Adoration' in front of the Blessed Sacrament for one hour before Mass on Saturday 21st January. Exact times and details of all events will be available shortly - on a poster in the porch and in next week's newsletter. I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Many Happy Returns of the Day: We would like to wish Piers Teo a very "Happy Birthday" for January 17th. It is a special milestone for this special lady, and she will be celebrating in style with friends and family in Singapore. We wish you a safe trip and many blessings from Father Darline for the kindness you show to him and the priests who visit our parish. All our parishioners hope that you have a special day.

Your help is needed within the Parish: It has come to our attention that some of our parishioners are struggling to feed their families. There is a basket in the porch for donation of suitable food items which you think may help at his time of need. We are grateful for your contributions.

Nativity Crib: Please take your children to visit the crib on the altar. All money raised goes to help the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth).

A Youth Trip: 10-Pin Bowling in Plymouth – Sunday, 29th January (Ages 8 years – 16 years, inclusive)

A small charge of £5.00 per head will be requested. The bus leaves from outside the Church at 1.00pm and returns approximately 6.00pm. We are joining with Tavistock parish and would like as many young people to come along for a fun afternoon. Please contact: **Patrick Morris 07880 734088** if you would like to join in.

Planned events for St Boniface and Holy Family: (dates may be subject to change)

Parish Lunch has been proposed for Sunday 26th March 2023, more details nearer the time.

Synodal Journey - A conversation about safeguarding: Robert Brown, the Senior Safeguarding Professional employed by the Diocese is hosting an online event "How safe is my Church" and implications arising from the IICSA report. This event will take place on Monday 9th January between 1800 and 19:30 if you wish to attend then please sign up via Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/synodal-journey-a-conversation-about-safeguarding-tickets-471079791337> so that we can send the Zoom meeting details to you.

The Pope's Intention for January: For educators. We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

Prayers: Please pray for: Mary Frain, Jan, Margaret Snell, Mary Sheridan, Jen Cleverdon, Claire Brown, Helen, Ann Durden-Higgins, Doreen Hughes, Derek & Ruth, Pat, Michele Collier, Paul & Diana Selwood Wielink, Alex Joyce, John Keating, Jean & Tilly Rhodes, Anne Brooks, Sheila Rogers, Bob Bell, Molly Rogers, Jean Wood, Janet Vickers, Maureen Frances, Elizabeth Gregory, David Jennings, Kevin Power, Rosemary Hopkins, Reta DeLarge, Justin Aldred, Jamie Shott and Alan Pook.