

Parish of St. Boniface, Okehampton

& Holy Family, Chagford

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Plymouth R.C. Diocese

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22<sup>nd</sup> September 2024

25<sup>TH</sup> WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B2

**Times of Masses & Services**

Sat	21 <sup>st</sup> September	5.30 pm	Chagford	For Bishop-elect Philip Moger
Sun	22 <sup>nd</sup> September	11.15 am	Okehampton	Ces Mills (RIP)
		5.30 pm	Okehampton	For the People of the Parish
Tue	24 <sup>th</sup> September	7.00 pm	Okehampton	No Mass
Wed	25 <sup>th</sup> September	10.00 am	Okehampton	
Thurs	26 <sup>th</sup> September	10.30 am	Chagford	
Sat	28 <sup>th</sup> September	4.00 pm	Okehampton	'Songs of praise' (no Mass)
		5.30 pm	Chagford	For the People of the Parish
Sun	29 <sup>th</sup> September	11.15 am	Okehampton	26 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
		5.30 pm	Okehampton	Ces Mills (RIP)

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

**The Pope's Intention for September: For the Cry of the Earth.** Let us pray that each of us listen with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.

**New Bishop for the Diocese of Plymouth:** We warmly welcome Bishop-elect Philip Moger, the chief pastor of our diocese. Bishop-elect Philip will be installed as the 10th Bishop of Plymouth on November 9th at the Cathedral Church of St Mary and St Boniface, Plymouth. Further details of this celebration will be provided in time.

**Road closure in Okehampton: for the Civic Procession on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept 10 am to 12.30 pm.** Please allow extra time to get to Mass in Station Road on this day. I believe that the procession leaves the town hall, and heads up via Fore Street, East Street, Mill Road on the way to Fairplace. Returning to Fore Street via George Street.

**Retiring collection for Evangelii Gaudium Sunday:** Baskets are available for this mandatory collection at both entrances again this weekend.

**Parish BBQ:** We raised £200 for the church funds. I want to thank Patrick Morris for organizing it so well and the CWL members for their help. A special thanks to Ann Radnor and Ian for their time and generosity in overseeing the whole event. I also appreciate all those who volunteered to support it with their contributions (all the food items), and finally, all the parishioners for their presence and donations.

**For your information:** Due to some antisocial behaviour around our Mother Mary Grotto, I have taken the decision to keep the church door locked in the time being unless there is a service. If you need access to the church, please ring or email me. I'm sorry for any inconvenience and thank you for your understanding.

**Songs of Praise at St Boniface: Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm,** followed by a lovely tea and raffle in the Hall.

**'Morning Prayer' (Every Wednesday Morning via Zoom):** A small group of us meet at 8.00 am to say the Morning Prayer of the Church via Zoom. This avoids travel to one of the churches, important before a working day, etc. You would be very welcome to join us. Contact Rob Ellis, Nicolette Tibbles or Peter Stutt.

**Vacancy in the Diocese of Plymouth:** There are vacancies for a **Business Administration Apprentice and a Finance and Accounting Apprentice** in the Diocese of Plymouth. Please see the notice board for the job description.

**ART EXHIBITION AND OPEN STUDIO:** Clarissa Galliano invites you to visit her studio and gallery in Winkleigh for the Devon Open Studios 2024. Her doors will be open every day from 7th to 22nd September, except Tuesdays. Most days, the opening times are from 2-5 pm, but please refer to her profile in the Devon Open Studios brochure for additional times. Clarissa moved to the parish 18 months ago and is eager to connect with more parishioners - this could be one way to do so! For any inquiries, please call her at 07761 967 220.

**Youth Rally 2024, Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September £10:** Please join the famous Youth Rally at St. Rita's in Honiton on Saturday, September 28th, 2024. If you plan to have your children participate in this event, please get in touch with Patrick and Angie.

**Support for Victims of Abuse:** The Diocesan Safeguarding Office provides advice and support to all victims of abuse, regardless of whether this is something that is happening currently or that happened in the past. We work with anyone who has been abused, both those who were abused within the church, as well as those who have been abused in other settings. We are here to help you whether you were a child or an adult when the abuse took place. We are not here to blame, judge or make excuses for the abuser, but we are here to help all those who have experienced abuse or are still in an abusive situation, in any way we can. The Safeguarding Office can provide you with support, advice, and signposting to relevant organisations. Our dedicated team of safeguarding professionals works closely with other agencies both locally and nationally including the Police, Probation, Social Services, and to standards that the Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency sets out. Please contact us for a confidential conversation. You can call us on 01364 645430 (Monday to Friday from 9:00 am – 4:30 pm) or e-mail us at [safeguarding@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@prcdtr.org.uk). Our Parish representatives are Ann Radnor at St Boniface and Justine Frain at The Holy Family Chagford.

**Prayers:** Please pray for: Jerome Twomey, Norma Hynes, Peter Moy, Patricia Almond, Cecilia Brunton, Jenny Kennedy, Mary Frain, Jan, Margaret Snell, Mary Sheridan, Jen Cleverdon, Claire Brown, Helen, Ann Durden-Higgins, Doreen Hughes, Pat, Michele Collier, Paul & Diana Selwood Wielink, Alex Joyce, John Keating, Tilly Rhodes, Anne Brooks, Sheila Rogers, Molly Rogers, Jean Wood, Janet Vickers, Maureen Frances, Elizabeth Gregory, David Jennings, Kevin Power, Rosemary Hopkins, Reta DeLarge, Justin Aldred, Jamie Shott, Alan Pook and David Rhodes.