

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

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HOLY WEEK

Year B

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Times of Masses & Services

Sat	23 rd	March	6.00 pm	No Vigil Mass	
Sun	24 th	March	9.00 am	Chagford	Michael Sheridan (RIP)
			11.00 am	Okehampton	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
Tue	26 th	March	No Mass		
Wed	27 th	March	No Mass		Chrism Mass at the Cathedral
Thurs	28 th	March	7.00 pm	Okehampton	MAUNDY THURSDAY MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
Fri	29 th	March		GOOD FRIDAY (Day of Fasting & Abstinence)	
			3.00 pm	Okehampton	CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION
Sat	30 th	March	8.30 pm	Okehampton	THE EASTER VIGIL
Sun	31 st	March	9.00 am	Chagford	EASTER SUNDAY
			11.00 am	Okehampton	For the People of the Parish

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

The Pope's Intention for March: For new martyrs: Let us pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage and missionary drive.

Good Friday Collection: The Good Friday collection directly goes to the Holy See to support the Holy Places of Palestine which is Mandatory. There won't be a second collection. Please contribute generously. Thank you all.

Words of Appreciation: I take this opportunity to thank CWL and all who supported the Lenten Lunch last week.

Church cleaning for Easter: The CWL will be cleaning the church for Easter on **Monday 25th March at 10.30**. Any extra volunteers are most welcome to join them.

Easter Competitions by CWL: This year CWL are having some Easter competitions. For children two competitions **1. an Easter Garden and 2. an Easter Bonnet**. For adults an Easter Bonnet. Entry forms are available on the porch and judging will take place after the 11 am Mass at St Boniface on **Sunday, April 7th**.

Easter Raffle - RHS Rosemoor Great Torrington: Jim and Jayne Egan have generously given a ticket allowing 6 people with a lunch allowance of £10 per person to visit Rosemoor. This is the top prize for our Easter Raffle. The tickets can be used whenever you wish, but June/July or August is recommended. As before we will use envelopes for your £5 entry with your name and phone number on the front. You can have as many entries as you wish. The envelopes will be available at all Masses this weekend until Good Friday. Baskets for returning your labelled envelopes will be available at all entrances. Please be as generous as you can as all money goes towards the much-needed church funds. The draw will take place following Mass on Easter Sunday.

Caritas March Newsletter: Please click the link to read the March edition of the Caritas Diocese of Plymouth newsletter, with news of love in action and upcoming events around our diocese <https://tinyurl.com/2s3nevuz> If you would like a printed version of the newsletter, please contact caritas@prcdtr.org.uk

Caritas Upcoming events: Sat 20 April: An Ageing Society – How can we respond? A partnership event with SVP. St Cuthbert Mayne, Launceston 10.30-15.30 Lunch Included. Register here <https://forms.office.com/e/nQz1k67Ta9>

Divine Mercy Service: A Divine Mercy Service is being held at Blessed Sacrament, Heavitree, Exeter on **Sunday 7 April**. There will be confessions at **2.30 pm** and the Service will start at 3.00 pm. This will be followed by refreshments in the St Richard Reynolds Centre. All are very welcome.

Mission Red Box Appeal: Our parish is seeking a new secretary to take on the organisation of the Red Missio boxes. Please speak to Fr. Anil if you would like to help with this vital fundraising effort. "Missio" carry out much-needed aid throughout the world and can only continue with their good work through the generosity of our donations. If the Red Box is not a convenient way of donating for you, direct debit to "Missio" can be set up with your bank for any amount you feel you can give monthly, quarterly, twice yearly or annually. Please see the form on the notice board or contact "Missio" directly. [Info@missio.org.uk](mailto:info@missio.org.uk) The latest copies of the "Mission Today" Spring 2024 are now available in the porch for you to take home.

The Next Youth Event: This year's Youth Adventure weekend will be at **Grangehurst, Buckfast Abbey, from 24th – 26th May**. This year's theme is 'I am with you' Mt 18:20. In between activities and games, young people will have the chance to explore the scripture and consider ways to communicate with God. This weekend of aimed at 10 – 13-year-olds. Cost £100. To book: <https://forms.office.com/e/DkVzq6hTJB> Further questions please contact Saskia: at youth@prcdtr.org.uk

Please be aware: that British Summertime begins, and the clocks go forward by one hour on **31st March Easter Sunday**.

Prayers: Please pray for: Jerome Twomey, Norma Hynes, Peter Moy, Patricia Almond, Cecilia Brunton, Jorn Buhl Nielson, 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.