## Parish of St. Boniface, Okehampton

## & Holy Family, Chagford

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Plymouth R.C. Diocese

Reg. Charity No. 213227

15<sup>th</sup> December 2024 SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT Year C

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14 <sup>th</sup>	December	5.30 pm	Chagford	First Mass of Sunday – For the People of the Parish
15 <sup>th</sup>	December	11.15 am	Okehampton	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - GAUDETE SUNDAY
		5.30 pm	Okehampton	
17 <sup>th</sup>	December	5.00 pm - 6	5.30 pm Okehampton	Advent Penitential service
		7.00 pm	No Mass	
18 <sup>th</sup>	December	10.00 am	Okehampton	O Adonai
<b>21</b> <sup>st</sup>	December	5.30 pm	Chagford	First Mass of Sunday
<b>22</b> <sup>nd</sup>	December	11.15 am	Okehampton	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT O Rex Gentium
		5.30 pm	Okehampton	
24 <sup>th</sup>	December	4.00 pm	Okehampton	Youth/Family Mass (Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord)
		10.30 pm	Okehampton	Midnight Mass VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
25 <sup>th</sup>	December	11.15 am	Okehampton	THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
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Sacrament of Reconciliation by arrangement.

The Pope's Intention for December: For pilgrims of hope. We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthens our faith, helping us to recognise the Risen Christ in our daily lives and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

<u>Christmas Flowers:</u> If you would like to donate towards the Flowers for our Season of Christmastide this year, you can do it. There are baskets at both entrances Any donation you can make would be gratefully received. Please give what you can.

<u>Christmas Mass times:</u> Advent Penitential service will be on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Dec 5 pm – 6.30 pm at St Boniface. Youth/Family Mass at St Boniface will be at 4 pm on 24th December; Christmas Eve: Midnight Mass at St Boniface will be at 10.30 pm and on Christmas Day 25<sup>th</sup> December: Mass at St Boniface will be at 11.15 am. There will be no mass held at Chagford on Christmas Day.

<u>CWL</u>: The next CWL meeting will be on Wednesday 18th December in St Boniface church after the 10 am Mass. We will be cleaning the church ready for the Christmas celebrations and welcome anyone who would like to join us and help with the Big Clean.

<u>Christmas Hamper Draw</u>: Final chance to enter! Draw taking place this Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December! Due to the generosity of our parishioners, we have two fantastic prizes for each church, one of these could be yours for just £5! All the proceeds from the draw go towards the upkeep of our parish. Thank you sincerely for all the entries so far.

<u>Children's Christmas Party:</u> We are hosting our Children's Christmas party on **Sunday 15th of December at 3.30 pm for primary-aged children up to eleven years.** There is a sign-up sheet in the church porch to write the children's names and ages for a surprise from Santa! All we ask is that between the parents we all donate an item of food for the party. If you could indicate what item of food you can bring, it would be helpful. We are aiming to plan a social day out for the older children in January. Thanks, everyone. Angie.

<u>Well-being:</u> You can find out more about Marie by looking at her website - www.mariemills.com and you can contact her via email- mail@mariemills.com...or text at 07805440901. Our congregation members can now benefit from the free counselling services provided by her. Don't hesitate to take advantage of this opportunity if you could use her help. Thank you to Dr Marie Mills for providing her free service.

<u>PUTTING ALL CHILDREN FIRST – ESPECIALLY AT CHRISTMAS TIME:</u> Please take time to visit our nativity over the Christmas period. The collection will be donated to the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth) as it works across the Diocese spreading God's love and giving families hope in times of crisis. We continue to ask you for a combination of concern, prayer and action. May God bless all our supporters and donors.

<u>Stay Awake, 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025</u> - A day conference for all the family (Mass, Children's streams, Praise and Worship, Speakers, Workshops and Pizza!). Venue: All Saints School in Weymouth. More details later! ALL WELCOME! Please save the date!

<u>Links for Advent 2024:</u> Journey to Christmas and the Jubilee Of Hope <a href="https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/t-D4D745BD8B8879B72540EF23F30FEDED">https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/t-D4D745BD8B8879B72540EF23F30FEDED</a>

<u>Prayers</u>: 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, Elizabeth Gregory, David Jennings, Kevin Power, Rosemary Hopkins, Reta DeLarge, Justin Aldred, Jamie Shott, Alan Pook and David Rhodes.