

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

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SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT
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Times of Masses & Services

Sat	7th	December	9.00 am	Okehampton	Adoration & Rosary
			10.00 am	Okehampton	Mass, St. Ambrose, BP Dr
			5.30 pm	Chagford	First Mass of Sunday
Sun	8th	December	11.15 am	Okehampton	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
			5.30 pm	Okehampton	For The People of the Parish
Tue	10 th	December	7.00 pm	Okehampton	Private Intention
Wed	11 th	December	10.00 am	Okehampton	Private Intention
Sat	14th	December	5.30 pm	Chagford	First Mass of Sunday – For the People of the Parish
Sun	15th	December	11.15 am	Okehampton	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - GAUDETE SUNDAY
			5.30 pm	Okehampton	

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.

Christmas Flowers: 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.

Christmas Mass times: Advent Penitential service will be on Tuesday 17th 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 25th December: Mass at St Boniface will be at 11.15 am. **There will be no mass held at Chagford on Christmas Day.**

CWL: 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."

Christmas Hamper Draw: We have just two weekends to get your entries in before the draw on the 15th 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! Please bring your entries in ASAP, all the proceeds from the draw go towards the upkeep of our parish. Thank you sincerely for all the entries so far.

Children's Christmas Party: 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.

Newsletter Messages: If you have any messages for the newsletter, please make sure that they are emailed to Fr. Anil by Thursday morning at the latest. As I have commitments at Tavistock Parish on Fridays, therefore, the newsletter is often prepared on Thursdays. Thank you.

PUTTING ALL CHILDREN FIRST – ESPECIALLY AT CHRISTMAS TIME: 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.

Stay Awake, 5th April 2025 - 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!

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

Link for Our Diocese Newsletter: You are warmly invited to click on the link to read the Diocesan newsletter for December 2024:<https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/t-D10EC9248862713D2540EF23F30FEDED> Please sign up here to receive future newsletters, weekly Advent Reflections by Monsignor Draper and Journeying to the Jubilee related content: <https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/h/t/A561A3216C433494>

Prayers: 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.