

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

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SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT
Year A

Times of Masses & Services

Sat	6th December	9.00 am	Okehampton	Adoration & Rosary
		10.00 am	Okehampton	St. Nicholas – For Bishop Nicholas
		5.30 pm	Chagford	First Mass of Sunday – For the People of the Parish
Sun	7th December	11.15 am	Okehampton	Second Sunday of Advent – For the Volunteers of our Parish
		5.30 pm	Okehampton	
Tue	9 th December	7.00 pm	Okehampton	Private Intention
Wed	10 th December	10.00 am	Okehampton	For Jim Egan & the family
Sat	13th December	5.30 pm	Chagford	First Mass of Sunday
Sun	14th 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 Christians in areas of conflict. Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

Diocese of Plymouth Newsletter: A special edition newsletter has been issued, celebrating the installation of Bishop Nicholas Hudson. Please click the link: <https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/t-860B12BD0A8754D92540EF23F30FEDED>.

Christmas Flowers: There are baskets at both entrances for donations to help decorate our church for the festive season. Thank you.

Prayer Cards: Please take a prayer card home for our Bishop Nicholas Hudson; they are available at all entrances.

Missio calendars for 2026 are available in the porch. Please take one.

Welcome: The parish would like to extend a warm welcome to all visitors during Advent and the Festive Season. If you are new to the area or our parish, please make yourself known to us, as we would very much like to meet you. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all our parishioners. If you would like to get involved in the life of our church or if you have any particular skills to share, please approach me.

Volunteering in the Parish: We are looking for readers to join the rota, altar servers, flower arrangers, gardeners, church cleaners, members of the Catholic Women's League (CWL), and volunteers for fundraising and social events. Your involvement is greatly appreciated!

200 Club: Many congratulations to our November winners: 1st – Helen Herbert, 2nd – Justine Frain and 3rd — Jim Egan. Many thanks to everyone who has joined our 200 Club. It is a fantastic way to raise much-needed funds to keep our churches running, and we are very grateful for your ongoing support. Next month is the big one - **DOUBLE WINNINGS for December!**

CWL Church Cleaning for Christmas: This will take place on Monday morning, 22nd December, at 10.30 am. All are welcome to join in and help make our church look beautiful for our Christmas services.

Plymouth Children Society - 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.

Teenage Retreat taking place on 23rd-25th January 2026. It is designed to give young people a chance to step back from the busyness of daily life, explore their faith, enjoy fellowship with others their age, and take part in guided reflection, prayer, and activities. For further information, contact Saskia - youth@prcdtr.org.uk

ST FRANCIS LEPROSY GUILD (the UK's Leprosy Catholic Charity): appeals for donations to reduce disabilities caused by leprosy in Brazil. If you want to donate, please go to their website and support this cause.

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