

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

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FIFTH WEEK OF LENT
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Times of Masses & Services

Sat	21 st	March	5.30 pm	Chagford	First Mass of Sunday – For Sarah Williams
Sun	22 nd	March	11.15 am	Okehampton	Fifth Sunday of Lent – For the People of the Parish
			5.30 pm	Okehampton	For Sue & Billy Power
Tue	24 th	March	7.00 pm	Okehampton	Private Intention
Wed	25 th	March	10.00 am	Okehampton	THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD – For Jim Egan & the Family
Sat	28 th	March	5.30 pm	Chagford	First Mass of Sunday – For Sheelagh Walford
Sun	29 th	March	11.15 am	Okehampton	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD – For Maurice & Piers
			5.30 pm	Okehampton	For the People of the Parish

Sacrament of Reconciliation by arrangement.

The Pope's Intention for March: For disarmament and peace. Let us pray that nations move towards effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

Card Reader: Please remember that for your convenience, we have a card reader located near Our Lady's statue. Thank you.

Easter Flowers: If you are able to contribute to the cost of Easter flowers to make our church look beautiful, please donate what you can. Baskets are available at both entrances.

British Summer Time: starts next Sunday, 29th March (Palm Sunday). Clocks go forward one hour.

Maundy Thursday: Please sign up on the sheet in the porch or email me if you are willing to have your feet washed during the service. I need 12 parishioners from St Boniface and Holy Family. Thank you.

HOLY WEEK MASS TIMINGS: Maundy Thursday Mass is at 7 pm; Good Friday Service is at 3 pm; Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday is at 8.30 pm, and EASTER SUNDAY MASS is at 11.15 am. All the services are scheduled at St Boniface. Thanks for your understanding and cooperation.

Serving Your Church: I am looking for parishioners to **join the Reading Rota** and **altar service**. If this is something you would like to do, please have a word with Martin Perry and me.

Cake Stall: The CWL is hosting a cake stall and a draw on Sunday, 19th April, after morning Mass. Please support these fundraising events for our church.

2025 Great Big Diocesan Quiz on Friday, 8 May 2026: This year's Great Big Diocesan Quiz will be held on **Friday, 8 May 2026**. Last year, 9 parishes took place on Friday, 9 May 2025 and helped to raise almost **£1,400**. Another parish joined in a few weeks later, and a further **£500** was raised, bringing the total to almost **£2,000**. All you have to do is find a venue and a quiz master, then as many parishioners as possible to make up the teams, and CCSP will supply the rest. Could one of the teams from your parish be crowned Overall Diocesan Champion 2026, the title which is currently held by 'Not So Deadly' from St Mary's in Poole, who scored 93.5 out of a possible 130 marks in our 2025 Great Big Diocesan Quiz?

Would you like to join our 50:50 club: Helping Hands is a simple and effective way of raising funds for CCSP, as half of the money raised in subscriptions is used for our Essential Grants programme and Pro-active Parenting courses and the other half is returned to members as prize money. For example, if we have £200 in subscriptions from members each month, then £100 would be used to help children and their families/carers, and the other £100 will be distributed as prize money, e.g., £50 first prize, £30 second prize and £20 third prize. The distribution of prize money will be determined each time by the number of members in the draw. It costs £12 a year for entry into all twelve-monthly draws, and you can enter each draw more than once by increasing your subscription to £24 for two entries, £36 for three entries and so on. If your name is drawn out, we will post a cheque to you. To start your Helping Hands membership, all you need to do is complete our application by visiting our website <https://www.ccsplymouth.org.uk/form-helping-hands-application/>

Contemplative Retreats at St. Rita's Centre, April 20th – 24th 2026: An Introduction to the *Gries Path of Prayer*, as well as an opportunity for a short retreat for those familiar with this way of prayer. For further details: Contact the retreat co-ordinator, Paddy Rylands, paddyrylands@gmail.com

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, Janet Vickers, Elizabeth Gregory, David Jennings, Kevin Power, Rosemary Hopkins, Reta DeLarge, Justin Aldred, Jamie Shott, Alan Pook, Jean Rhodes, Gill Williams, Mary Catherine (Kate) Harding and Sylvia Hawkings.