

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

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16TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
Year A2

Times of Masses & Services

Sat	18 th	July	5.30 pm	Chagford	First Mass of Sunday – For the People of the Parish
Sun	19 th	July	11.15 am	Okehampton	16 TH Sunday in Ordinary Time – William Hennessey (RIP)
			5.30 pm	Okehampton	For Fr John Bielawski
Tue	21 st	July	7.00 pm	Okehampton	For Jim Egan & the Family
Wed	22 nd	July	10.00 am	Okehampton	ST MARY MAGDALENE – Private Intention
Sat	25 th	July	5.30 pm	Chagford	First Mass of Sunday
Sun	26 th	July	11.15 am	Okehampton	17 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
			5.30 pm	Okehampton	

Sacrament of Reconciliation by arrangement.

The Pope's Intention for July: For respect for human life. Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognising it as a gift from God.

Offerings/loose Plate by Standing Order: For those of you who would like to set up a standing order for your offerings, our banking details are: Account Name: PDT Okehampton RC Parish, Sort Code: 54-21-14, Account Number: 05608775. If you are a UK taxpayer, you might consider gift-aiding your offerings. Please be aware that it is easy to make payments for the amount you choose on our card machine situated by Our Lady's statue. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Appeal for new Chasubles: I am looking for generous parishioners to sponsor different-coloured chasubles for the parish. Please speak to me if you can help. Thank you for your kind attention.

Recent Retiring collections: for the Bishop's Conference for a "Day for Life" amounted to £ 27, the Holy See "Peter's Pence" £ 81.25, and for Stella Maris 110.48. Collection money has been transferred to the diocesan finance office. Thank you.

Craft Fair and big draw: This is our big fundraiser and is planned for **Saturday, October 17th** in the church hall next to the Co-op. The draw tickets have been prepared, and we aim to start selling them asap, we plan on having our usual hamper boxes as prizes.

Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers: Please sign up on the rota in the porch if you are available to minister during Mass.

Parish Safeguarding Reps: are Justine Frain for Holy Family and Ann Radnor for St Boniface.

Interested in training and volunteering as a Relationship Counsellor? Marriage Care is a Catholic organisation specialising in relationship support, and we are currently looking for empathetic, understanding, and enthusiastic individuals to train on our Certificate in Relationship Counselling (CRC) and volunteer with us. This is a great opportunity to make a real difference to couples and families. Please note that there are costs associated with training on our CRC. These costs are far lower than with alternative training providers. In line with our ethos as a charity, no one is excluded based on their ability to pay. To find out more, please visit: www.marriagecare.org.uk or email: volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

Stepping into Stillness: 8 Day Contemplative Retreat for those familiar with this way of praying, as well as introducing the Gries Path to those for whom it is new. **August 18th – 27th 2026.** For further details: Contact the retreat co-ordinator, Paddy Rylands, paddyrylands@gmail.com

National Eucharistic Congress: Our third National Eucharistic Congress will take place in **London** on Sat 10th Oct. Mass at St George's Cathedral, followed by a procession across the Thames to Westminster Cathedral, with a vigil of adoration until 6 am. **If you would like to be one of our 50 diocesan delegates, please get in touch with Fr Chris at Poole: (01202) 746539**

450th Anniversary of St Cuthbert Mayne's Martyrdom: On this significant anniversary, there will be an opportunity to commemorate the Patron Saint of our Diocese with a Pilgrimage in Launceston. It will take place on Sunday, May 16th 2027. The pilgrimage will start from 1:30 pm at Town Hall, then into Town Square for a Service at 2.30 pm, a Prayer Walk through the town, including St Mary Magdalene Church, Castle Green, Dungeon, on to the Priory, and finishing with a short service in the grounds of St Cuthbert Mayne Church at about 5.00 pm. There will be an opportunity to venerate the relic. Our own Bishop Nicholas will preside, and the Anglican bishop of Truro will also be present. These are approximate timings for now and will be confirmed nearer the time. Please email me if you are interested. This is definitely a date to be put in your diary!

Prayers: Norma Hynes, Patricia Almond, Cecilia Brunton, Mary Frain, Jan, Margaret Snell, Mary Sheridan, Jen Cleverdon, 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, Sylvia Hawkins, Karin Dunlop, Olive Hennessey.