

Parish of St. Boniface, Okehampton

& Holy Family, Chagford

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Second Week of Advent

Year B

**Times of Masses & Services**

Sat	6 <sup>th</sup> December	6.00 pm	Okehampton	First Mass of Sunday: People of the Parish
Sun	7 <sup>th</sup> December	9.00 am	Chagford	<b>Jane Stevenson RIP</b>
		11.00 am	Okehampton	<b>Janusz Przylecki RIP</b>
Tue	9 <sup>th</sup> December	7.00 pm	Okehampton	Eucharistic Service: St Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin
Wed	10 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00 am	Okehampton	
Thu	11 <sup>th</sup> December	10.30 am	Chagford	
Fri	12 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00 am	Okehampton	Eucharistic Service: Our Lady of Guadalupe
Sat	13 <sup>th</sup> December	6.00 pm	Okehampton	First Mass of Sunday
Sun	14 <sup>th</sup> December	9.00 am	Chagford	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – GAUDETE SUNDAY
		11.00 am	Okehampton	<b>Youth Mass</b>

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** Saturday 5.15 p.m. to 5.45 p.m. or by arrangement.

**Gold Medal to our Altar server Bernard Jones:** The Central Council of Archconfraternity of St. Stephen honors Bernard Jones with a gold medal for his service over 50 years. The gold medal has been gilded and engraved with his name and month of presentation. As a Parish we congratulate him and wish him God's blessings for many more years of service at the altar. The medal will be presented during the 6 pm Mass on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December.

**Christmas Flowers:** To help with paying for church flowers there will be baskets for donations by both doors in Okehampton this weekend. In Chagford there is a box at the back of church for donations. All donations are much appreciated.

**CWL Cake Sale and Raffle Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December after 11 am Mass** Please make some cakes if you can and leave them and any donated raffle prizes in the hall before Mass.

**Advent Carol Service Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 6 pm**

7<sup>th</sup> December: **Youth Mass Practice** at 10:15 a.m. for all young people to help with the Mass.

14<sup>th</sup> December: **Youth Mass** at 11:00 a.m.

14<sup>th</sup> December: **Children Christmas Party** at 3:00 pm in the Church Hall for all children aged up to 10 and please can parents bring some food along with them and join in. Please can you put your name on the church notice board in the porch.

14<sup>th</sup> December: **Youth Christmas Trip:** Ten-pin bowling in Exeter. Mini-bus leaves outside church at 5 p.m. and back at 9 p.m.

**Toy Sunday:** As usual we are collecting toys for the Christian Society for the disadvantaged children. Your contribution is most welcome. Please mark parcels for boy or girl and if possible give appropriate age group. We would appreciate your contribution if it could be made either before or on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2014.

**Repository** Advent calendars and some Christmas cards etc. still available. The Repository will be open this Sunday (7<sup>th</sup>) and 21st December. It will not be open on 14th December.

**Save Your Stamps** in aid of the Catholic Children's Society! As the Christmas cards start to land on your doormat this Advent, please remember to cut off the stamps from the envelopes and place in the plastic collecting box in the porch. Small things make a BIG difference. Thank you. Claire 07783 156284

**Sacrament of Reconciliation service** followed by confession for Christmas will take place on Friday 19th December at 6.p.m. at St. Boniface, Okehampton. There will be three priests for confession.

**Buckfast Abbey, Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December:** For the first time in many years, a Bishop of Plymouth will be present in the sanctuary during the celebration of Mass according to the traditional Roman Rite (EF). Bishop Mark O' Toole, our new Bishop will lead the rosary at 11.15 and this will be followed by Holy Mass at noon.

**IT IS THE LORD:** A weekend with Bishop Mark and Fr. Stephen Wang to explore how as a diocese how we might respond to Pope Francis' call to make evangelisation our priority. An exciting moment in the life of our local church as we anticipate the future with fresh hope. The weekend is open to all, but is especially useful for Parish council members, catechists, teachers, parents and anyone who is excited about evangelisation. Feb 6-8. Toorak Hotel. Torquay. For a booking form please contact Debbie on 01364 645393 or Fr. Darline on [darlinemsfs@gmail.com](mailto:darlinemsfs@gmail.com)

**The Pope's Intentions for December: Universal – Christmas, hope for humanity:** That the birth of the Redeemer may bring peace and hope to all people of good will. **Evangelization – Parents:** That parents may be true evangelizers, passing on to their children the precious gift of faith.

**Prayers:** Please pray for: Dave & Liz Bolitho, Jean Nyburg, Dee Thomas, Nikki Ellis, Pat Summerscales, Alex Joyce, Jean Trimming, Brenda Carr, Jean Waddington, Richard & Jean Arnold Jones, Kevin Power, John Horner, Phil Nightingale, Margaret Snell, Noel Rainbird, Rosemary Hopkins, Peter Emerson, Isabelle Chenery, Reta DeLarge, Myra Humphrey, Susan Calagno, Justin Aldred, Pat Bennett, Jamie Shott, Alan Pook & Julia Powers.

**Collections Last Weekend:** Okehampton: £358.36

Chagford: £75.06

**The Word became Flesh: St Teresa speaks:** What a marvellous thing that He, who would fill a thousand worlds with His grandeur, wanted to enclose Himself in the womb of His most Blessed Mother.