

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

www.stbonifacechurch.co.uk

Plymouth R.C. Diocese

Reg. Charity No. 213227

Fr. M. Darline Joseph

Tel: 01837 52229

darlinemsfs@gmail.com

3rd December 2017
First Week of Advent
Year B

Times of Masses & Services

Sat	2 nd December	6.00 pm	Okehampton	First Mass of Sunday
Sun	3 rd December	9.00 am	Chagford	Golden Wedding anniversary for Sue and Kevin Power
		11.00 am	Okehampton	People of the parish
		6.00 pm	Okehampton	Benediction followed by mulled wine
Tue	5 th December	7.00 pm	Okehampton	
Wed	6 th December	10.00 am	Okehampton	St Nicholas
Thurs	7 th December	10.30 am	Chagford	St Ambrose
Fri	8 th December	10.00 am	Okehampton	THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Sat	9 th December	6.00 pm	Okehampton	First Mass of Sunday
Sun	10 th December	9.00 am	Chagford	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
		11.00 am	Okehampton	Youth Mass & children's Christmas party

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

Golden Wedding anniversary: Sue and Kevin Power are celebrating their Golden Wedding anniversary this year. They have been stalwarts of the parish for so many years, so we wish them both all God's Blessings and well wishes. There will be a special Mass of thanksgiving and blessing on Sunday 3rd December 9 am at Holy Family Chagford, all are welcome.

Benediction: There will be starting at 6pm on Sunday 3rd December, the first Sunday of Advent. This will be followed by mulled wine and mince pie in the Parish Hall.

Car Park: you will be pleased to know the C P is now in operation save for the planting of the hedges and ground cover on the bank scheduled for mid December. The areas on each side of the new rear path will be grass seeded in the spring of 2018. We should be pleased to hear of your comments, critical / constructive or otherwise regarding the project.

Thanks to everyone for their patience in this matter.

On behalf of the parish and myself I would like to acknowledge the tremendous amount of work which Jim Egan has put into this project. Not only has he sponsored the whole project but he has personally supervised the entire job from start to finish, over coming all the hurdles efficiently and peacefully which were encountered along the way.

Christmas presents: for disadvantaged children to be left in the church porch by 3rd Dec latest. The presents should be new, sexed and age grouped.

Christmas Flowers: There will be a collection for Christmas flowers to decorate the church over the next two weekends, thank you in anticipation.

Preparing the church for Christmas: Cleaning for Christmas will take place after the 10am Mass on Wednesday 20th December. All welcome to come and help.

CWL Meetings: Please note that the meetings will now be held on the last Wednesday of the month, starting in January.

The Repository: will be open each Sunday after 11am Mass in the Church Hall until Christmas unless otherwise stated. There is a good stock of Christmas cards, Advent Calendars and candles plus the usual everyday stock.

Flower and cleaning rota: We are urgently looking for more people to volunteer with the church flowers and the cleaning of the church. If you are able to help in any way we would be very grateful, please contact Sylvia Hawkins.

Do you support Catholic schools?: The Government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents Catholic schools from allowing all Catholic pupils to attend. They acknowledged that this policy discriminates against Catholics and promised to abandon it, now we need you to tell them not to u-turn on their promise to Catholics. See the letter on the notice board for contact details.

Hospicare: Light Up a Life Service in Fairplace Church on Tuesday 5th December at 7pm. All welcome to this uplifting service of carols, readings and choral music.

MISSIO Calendars 2018 are in the porch for Red box holders.

The Pope's Intention for December: The Elderly: That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

Future events for the parish:

Cake Sale and Raffle after Mass for the Children's Society: Sunday 3rd December 2017

Children's Mass & party at St. Boniface 10th December.

10 pin bowling for the older children 17th December.

Parish Lunch: 28th January 2018 The Mill End Hotel, near Chagford.

Prayers: Please pray for: Bob Bell, Ruth Graf, Sylwia Gaik, John, Sean, Joan Stutt, Genie Vernon, Molly Rogers, Jean Wood, Janet Vickers, Margaret Snell, Maureen Frances, Mayda Reynolds, Tilly Rhodes, Elizabeth Gregory, Ian & Farquhar family, Water Ciganda, Madeline Lawson, David Gennings, Maureen Hartwell, Jean Nyburg, Dee Thomas, Alex Joyce, Jean Waddington, Jean Arnold Jones, Kevin Power, Rosemary Hopkins, Isabelle Chenery, Reta DeLarge, Justin Aldred, Pat Bennett, Jamie Shott and Alan Pook.

Collections Last Weekend: Okehampton: £302.28 Chagford: £153.00 Autumn Fair: £1603.10