

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

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23rd Week in Ordinary Time

Year A2

Times of Masses & Services

Sat	5 th September	6.00 pm	online only	First Mass of Sunday
Sun	6 th September	9.00 am	Chagford (in church)	People of the Parish
		11.00 am	Okehampton (in church)	Anne & Martin's Golden Wedding Anniversary
Tue	8 th September	7.00 pm	online only	THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Wed	9 th September	10.00 am	online only	
Thurs	10 th September	10.30 am	online only	
Fri	11 th September	10.00 am	online only	
Sat	12 th September	6.00 pm	online only	First Mass of Sunday
Sun	13 th September	9.00 am	Chagford (in church)	Richard Arnold Jones RIP
		11.00 am	Okehampton (in church)	

50th Wedding Anniversary of Anne & Martin Barnard: Anne and Martin are celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary this year on Sunday 6th September. They both have been very much involved in the life of our Parish. I have personally witnessed and am aware of their valuable hard work and commitment to the Parish. We congratulate them both on their Golden Wedding anniversary and wish them God's blessings. The 11am Mass this Sunday will be a special Mass of thanksgiving in honour of Anne and Martin.

1st September is World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation and marks the start of the Season of Creation – an opportunity for us all to reflect on how we care for our Common Home. The Season runs until 4 October – the Feast Day of St Francis of Assisi. In his message for Laudato Si' week, Bishop Mark said 'Our earth is the home for the human family. We invite everyone to reflect, to pray, and to act, so that we achieve that ecological conversion that the Holy Father calls us to. You can find resources to use during the Season on the [Diocesan Website](#) and Facebook pages.

SYCAMORE FOR RCIA THIS AUTUMN: Sycamore has a number of different RCIA pathways that you can use as the basis for your RCIA group. It is a beautiful way of presenting the Catholic faith, building friendships, and deepening discussion.

See the main page about how to use Sycamore for sacramental preparation here:

<https://www.sycamore.fm/pathways/sacramental-preparation/>

See how the YouCat is used to supplement the catechesis here:

<https://www.sycamore.fm/using-the-youcat/>

The RCIA pathways can all be found here:

<https://www.sycamore.fm/pathways/c-sacramental-pathways/>

Please contact the Sycamore team via the contact page (or by email) if you have any other questions or need support:

<https://www.sycamore.fm/contact/>

Churches are open on Sundays for Mass: Both of our churches are open now for Masses on Sundays. Thanks to all the volunteers for the willingness, dedication, and hard work. We have been considering various options regarding managing the attendance. The consensus is to follow first come first serve approach. Therefore, the encouragement for people who wish to attend is to arrive at least 15 minutes early for the services. Those who wish to attend Mass in the Church, please follow the social distancing. The capacity of the church will be reduced to between 17 and 24 people, depending on how many attend from the same household. Please be understanding that the number limit must be adhered to which means you may not be able to stay for Mass if the capacity has been reached. Entrance by the main front door only, exit by the back door only (this is different for Chagford). Please wear a mask or face covering, and keep this on throughout the service, except when receiving communion. People who attend the Mass are encouraged to bring their own small bottle of hand sanitiser to use before the communion. This change will reduce the amount of time spent in front of the altar and so will quicken up the service. Please read the instructions sent with the bulletin and the same are posted on our website. Whenever Masses are celebrated in the Churches, only zoom will be in operation. All other Masses will have all the three applications in operation.

Vacancies in the Diocese of Plymouth: The Diocese of Plymouth is looking to appoint the following positions:

Parish Property Mentors

Location: Homeworking with travel to parishes and occasional travel to St Boniface House, Ashburton, Devon TQ13 7JL

Caritas Plymouth Project Support Worker Location: St Boniface House. **More details in the attachment.**

The Pope's Intention for September: Respect for the Planet's Resources: We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered but shared in a just and respectful manner.

Prayers: Please pray for: Derek & Ruth, Pat, Jackie Mc Intyre, Maura O' Toole, Maureen Bayfield, Michele Collier, Diana Selwood Wielink, Alex Joyce, John Keating, Jean & Tilly Rhodes, Jenny Kennedy, Anne Brooks, Sheila Rogers, Bob Bell, Joan Stutt, Molly Rogers, Jean Wood, Janet Vickers, Margaret Snell, Maureen Frances, Elizabeth Gregory, David Jennings, Maureen Hartwell, Dee Thomas, Jean Waddington, Jean Arnold Jones, Kevin Power, Rosemary Hopkins, Isabelle Chenery, Reta DeLarge, Justin Aldred, Pat Bennett, Jamie Shott and Alan Pook.