

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

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Plymouth R.C. Diocese

Reg. Charity No. 213227

29th November 2020
1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Year B

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Times of Masses & Services

Sat	28 th November	6.00 pm	online only	First Mass of Sunday
Sun	29 th November	11.00 am	online only	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Tue	1 st December	7.00 pm	online only	
Wed	2 nd December	10.00 am	online only	
Thurs	3 rd December	10.30 am	online only	
Fri	4 th December	10.00 am	online only	
Sat	5 th December	6.00 pm	online only	First Mass of Sunday
Sun	6 th December	9.00 am	Chagford (in church)	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
		11.00 am	Okehampton (in church)	

Advent Holy Half hour: The CWL of our Parish are arranging this event starting at 4 pm on Wednesday 2nd December. It is open to all in the Parish. During the service Father Darline will be giving a talk for 15-20 minutes on 'Psycho-spiritual approach to managing COVID 19'. The same link and the log in details for the usual Mass will be used for this service as well. Please be aware our CWL section is praying the Rosary every Thursday afternoon via zoom for "the health and welfare of all". You are most welcome to join in. For more details, please contact Nicolette Tibbles, the Chair of our CWL.

Friends of St. Boniface & Holy Family are reporting that they are pleased about the generosity of our Parishioners so far but would appreciate if those who have not responded consider participating in some way. A new Flyer will be coming to you in a separate email in the next few days.

Christmas Masses: We know the lockdown comes to an end on 3rd December. So, the suggestion is to open our Churches on Sunday 6th December onwards for Masses. Please be reassured that all the Masses will continue as usual online as well as in the Churches. Christmas services are usually full and so Father Darline is looking forward to your suggestions on how we can go about arranging with the idea in mind that we maximise the safety as well as the Mass attendance of our people. Please send me your suggestions latest by Friday 4th December.

Fr. Jon Bielawski from the Vicariate for Evangelisation & Catechesis has sent more details about the Alpha Online. Details in the attachment.

Thank you so much to those of you who are regularly contributing through standing order and sending the cheques so that we can continue to pay the bills. This is very much appreciated. In these troubling times it is comforting to know how much people care about our beloved parish. Those of you who wish to consider making your offering to the church by monthly standing order, Please email either our Gift Aid Organiser Mary Binns on embinns@hotmail.co.uk or Father Darline on darlinemsfs@gmail.com and the details that you need can be sent to you. For those parishioners who wish to continue to make weekly donations in cash, if possible, please put the usual amount to one side each week and bring the total when we are finally able to come together again. We understand that during these difficult times, other people may be buying your essentials and you therefore need to keep your cash available to pay these kind volunteers, so please feel free to post a cheque (made payable to Saint Boniface RC Parish, Okehampton) to the Presbytery if this is easier.

MISSIO Calendars: These will be available for Red Box holders in the church porches from 6th December, or Steve will be happy to send a copy to anyone who will not be attending church in person. Please phone Steve on 01837 861689 or email mcksteve@aol.com. Thanks.

Caritas Plymouth is running a short online training session about Financial Signposting which you are warmly welcome to attend. The aim is to give people some resources to help friends, neighbours and parishioners who may be experiencing financial distress. It is not about giving people advice but about sharing some useful links and contacts where people can get the help they need.

Thursday 3rd December 2020 1.30-3pm Via Zoom

The aim of this course is to share materials that will help you to signpost people who may come to you for advice. The focus will be on options for those struggling with low income or debt. At the end of the training you will receive a print out with key resources that you can share with others in your community.

To register your interest please click here or email caritas@prcdtr.org.uk. The event will be on Zoom and joining instructions will be sent out nearer the time.

Caritas Plymouth has prepared a list of Covid-19 Support for Individuals - November 2020: The list will be available on our website as well as send to all on our email list. The information signposts individuals to some places where people can access support during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Free virtual Gospel liturgies for primary schools: This was done by Fr. Jon Bielawski with the help of some Franciscan Friars. I watched a few of the videos. They are great and I encourage our Parishioners and the children to have a look at them. Please click on the links for more information.

<https://www.themark10mission.co.uk/theepisodes/seriestwo>

Interactive Mass via Zoom, Facetime and Skype: All our Masses will be live on all these platforms. The zoom link, meeting ID and password are the same as before. Please feel free to share this information with your neighbours, family members and friends. These are usually sent to you every week via email.

Mass via Land line/Phone: If you do not have access to smart phones or computers, you are very welcome to join in for the Masses by telephoning one of the numbers below. You will be charged for normal landline access (which may already be included in your phone plan). Please ring one of the numbers below and follow the instructions given under the numbers.

0131 460 1196

0203 481 5237

0203 481 5240

0208 080 6591

0208 080 6592

0330 088 5830

1. You will be asked to enter the Meeting ID followed by a hash #. The meeting ID is 164 799 815
2. Then you will be asked to enter a Participant ID followed by a #. You will also be told that if you don't have a participant ID just press #

Please just enter the # without adding any number. (You do not need a Participant ID to join the Mass)

3. Lastly, you will be asked to enter the password followed by a #. The password is 668447. You will then be connected.

Fratelli Tutti – Some initial reflections: Caritas Plymouth is preparing a number of short videos to offer a reflection on each chapter of the Encyclical. One reflection will be shared each week over the coming 8 weeks. We hope that the videos will provide food for thought and encourage people to read the full text. The reflections are all on our Diocesan Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/plymouthdiocese/videos>

The Pope's Intention for December: For a Life of Prayer: We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.

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Prayers: Please pray for: Mike Edwards, Doreen Hughes, 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.