

# With One Voice!

The Roman Catholic Parishes of:  
St. Agnes' Crawcrook, St. Joseph's Highfield,  
& Our Lady of Lourdes Chopwell

Parish Website: [www.withonevoice.org.uk](http://www.withonevoice.org.uk)



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## **SATURDAY READINGS:**

**First Reading:** ISAIAH 9:1-7. *A son is given to us.*

**Responsorial Psalm:** *Today a saviour has been born to us; he is Christ the Lord.*

**Second reading:** TITUS 2:11-14. *God's grace has been revealed to the whole human race.*

**Gospel Reading:** LUKE 2:1-14. *Today a saviour has been born to you.*

## **SUNDAY READINGS:**

**First Reading:** ISAIAH 52:7-10. *All the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.*

**Responsorial Psalm:** *All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.*

**Second reading:** HEBREWS 1:1-6. *God has spoken to us through his Son.*

**Gospel Reading:** JOHN 1:1-18.

The Word was made flesh. and lived among us.



## CHRISTMAS DAY (A)

<i>Date</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Venue &amp; Time</i>	<i>Mass Intention</i>
<b>Saturday</b> 24th December	Vigil Mass	Chopwell 7.00pm Highfield 9.30pm	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday</b> 25th December	Mass during the day	Crawcrook 9.30am	People of the Parish
<b>Monday</b> 26th December	St. Stephen	NO MASS	
<b>Tuesday</b> 27th December	St. John	Chopwell 10.00am	Priest's Intention
<b>Wednesday</b> 28th December	The Holy Innocents	Crawcrook 10.00am	Kelly Family
<b>Thursday</b> 29th December	St. Thomas Becket	Chopwell 10.00am	Priest's Intention
<b>Friday</b> 30th December	<b>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary &amp; Joseph</b>	Highfield 10 am	Michael & Kathleen Duffy
<b>Saturday</b> 31st December	7 <sup>th</sup> Day Octave of Christmas	Crawcrook 10.00am	John Slowey

## SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD (A)

<i>Date</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Venue &amp; Time</i>	<i>Mass Intention</i>
<b>Saturday</b> 31st December	Vigil Mass	Highfield 5.30pm	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday</b> 1st January	Mass during the day	Crawcrook 9.30am Chopwell 11.00am	Thanksgiving Noel (Ben) Ridden

FORWARD TOGETHER  
IN  
**HOPE**

Glory be to the Father –  
in whom we live and move and have our being.

Glory be to the Son –  
whose name we bear and who calls each of us to be his disciples;  
to build his Kingdom and to go out into the world and bear its fruit.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit –  
pouring out grace and guidance, forming us and renewing us.  
Inspire us all in the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle to live the  
Gospel, be open to change and to move forward together in hope.

## Notices

**Please remember in your prayers** all those who are sick / housebound:

Frs. Tony Duffy, Richard Harriott, Michael Marr, Leo Coughlin and David Tanner.

Please also pray for Chloe Anna Cant, Kathleen McLoughlin, Aaron Armstrong, Sheila Clucas, Bill Mennell, Brian McNally, Ruth MacCaughey, Mia Slowie, Audrey Rafferty, Mary Sweeney, Patrick John Lawrence, Paddy Fitzpatrick, Helena Elliott, Irene Gilhooly, Maureen Baines, George Gill, Monica Coleman, Sheila Chapman, Margaret McCusker Terry Reay, Tony Tynan, Simon Burns, Julia Knight & Frances McCusker.

## Anniversaries

**St. Agnes'** Roseann Elliott, Elizabeth Willis, Philip Carroll, Isabella Dixon, Ann Rutherford,

**St. Joseph's** William McGurk, Anthony Gallohan, Johanna Teasdale, Richard O'Flaherty, Thomas J. Elliott, John Donnelly, Elizabeth Graham, Felix Alan Donnelly, Thomas Francis Long and Peter Durham.

**Our Lady of Lourdes** Edward Lackenby, Margaret Featherstone, Margaret Quigley and Barbara Sullivan

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Chopwell)** Tues and Thurs 9.30am  
o 10 am

**Diocesan Handbook 2017** Note that the entry under Crawcrook: St. Agnes for the Parish Website needs to be changed to [www.withonevoice.org.uk](http://www.withonevoice.org.uk) in place of the redundant, and no longer operative, [www.stagnescrawcrook.org.uk](http://www.stagnescrawcrook.org.uk)

Anyone who knows who the Webmaster was for the original St. Agnes website as above, please contact Fr. J. asap so that we can delete this defunct site as we need the password to access it [before I came to the parish and we have no record.].

**Vocations Evening of Prayer and Reflection.** At Immaculate Heart Church on Wednesday 25 January 2017 starting at 7pm and finishing at 8.15pm. Led by Father David Smith, the service will pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life. The service will begin with refreshments. All are welcome. Contact Father David for more information on 0191 267 6063 or [stjohnvianneywestdenton@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnvianneywestdenton@gmail.com)

**Partition:** The replacement partition in St. B's Church has now been completed to St. B's Satisfaction, and we hope that it enhances the Church, enabling the Hall and Church to be used to our mutual benefit.

**School:** A HUGE Thank You must be given:

- to our schoolchildren: who have generously and very cheerfully given of themselves in an exhausting programme of performances/Advent Liturgies/Carol Concerts/Celebrations of Holy Mass in recent weeks, and the wonderfully attentive and prayerful participation of St. Thomas More Pupils at the Mass FJ celebrated for them on the final day of Term.

- to all our parents and family members who have supported our children in numbers to overflowing, and much better involvement in Church services than in previous recent years, despite all the weary demands on their time.

- not least and finally, to our School Staff: for their unremitting commitment to our children, their families, and our Parish[es] Family, often at some cost to their own.

**St. Agnes'** Thank you for the donations you made recently the Christmas Raffle realised £614. The collection for Christmas Flowers £81 and the Carol Service £161 for CAFOD. All raffle prizes have been claimed and there is a list of winners on the noticeboard. £85 was also donated' from the Sunday coffee mornings.

**Thank You:** to all who have responded so generously with their time and talents to prepare for all our Advent Celebrations, for Church Cleanings, and our Christmas Liturgies

**Tree Festival:** Please see the letter of gratitude for our support of St. B's & St. P's C/E Festival on the parish notice boards, and all the money they raised for their worthy causes

**School Holidays:** Please visit our Parish Website for these dates, and many other items of up to date news in our Parish Communities.

**May we, Deacons Derek, Christian and myself thank you for all your prayers, cards and generous gifts and wish you a truly blessed, holy and Happy Christmas.**