

# With One Voice!

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



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## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 10<sup>TH</sup> & 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2018

### Psalter Week 1

**First Reading** FROM THE BOOK OF LEVITICUS  
The leper must live apart, he must live outside the camp.

### **Responsorial Psalm**

You are my refuge O Lord, you fill me with the joy of salvation.

**Second Reading:** ST. PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS  
Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

### **Gospel Reading** MARK 1: 40-45

The leprosy left him at once and he was cured.



## 6th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

<i>Date</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Venue &amp; Time</i>	<i>Mass Intention</i>
<b>Saturday</b> 10th February	Vigil Mass	Highfield 5.30pm	Bill Mennell
<b>Sunday</b> 11th February	Mass during the day	Crawcrook 9.15am Chopwell 11.00am	Fr. Peter Callaghan Stan Malloy
<b>Monday</b> 12th February	Weekday	NO MASS	
<b>Tuesday</b> 13th February	Weekday	Chopwell 10.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
<b>Wednesday</b> 14th February	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	Chopwell 10.00am Highfield 12 noon Crawcrook 7pm	Distribution of Ashes Bill Mennell Jackson Family
<b>Thursday</b> 15th February	Weekday of Lent	Chopwell 10.00am	Jean Hunter
<b>Friday</b> 16th February	Weekday of Lent	Highfield 10.00am	Priest's Intention
<b>Saturday</b> 17th February	Weekday of Lent	Crawcrook 10.00am	Jack Kelly

## 1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

<i>Date</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Venue &amp; Time</i>	<i>Mass Intention</i>
<b>Saturday</b> 17th February	Vigil Mass	Highfield 5.30pm	Geoff Coffey
<b>Sunday</b> 18th February	Mass during the day	Crawcrook 9.15am Chopwell 11.00am	Frank Crowe Michael Fewer

FORWARD TOGETHER

**HOPE**

God of all Creation,

You have constantly poured out your Spirit upon our Diocese  
and kindled here a light which has spread throughout the world.

Lord Jesus, you gathered disciples to yourself  
to learn from you and to model their lives on you.

Your Holy Spirit empowered them to continue your work in the world

Come upon us, Holy Spirit,  
deepen the faith you invite us to share  
and inspire us to become faithful witnesses.

As we begin to develop our partnerships,  
help each one of us to use the gifts you give us,  
to nurture one another, to serve the world,  
and to live in harmony with the whole of creation.

## Notices

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

Frs. Tony Duffy, Richard Harriot, David Tanner, Ian Hoskins, Pat McKenna

Please also pray for Chloe Anna Cant, Aaron Armstrong, Brian McNally, Ruth MacCaughey, Mia Slowie, Audrey Rafferty, , Patrick John Lawrence, Helena Elliott, Irene Gilhooly, Maureen Baines, George Gill, Monica Coleman, Terry Reay, Tony Tynan, Simon Burns, Julia Knight, Doreen Hodgson, Michael Delamere, Jane Parkin, Tony Pfiffin, Wilf Crawley, George Dixon and (Martin) John Brice.

### **Anniversaries**

**St. Agnes'** Fr. Peter Callaghan, Jack Kelly, Aaron & Mary Morgan, George McClean, Elizabeth Jane Balance, Alan Young, Kitty Griffiths. .

**St. Joseph's** Stella Farrage, Barbara Higgins, Patrick Joseph Armstrong. Shiela Sabrina Deacon, Michael Conway, John Brady, Henry Lavery, Isobella Wraith

**Our Lady of Lourdes** John Rooney, Maureen Chaplin, Richard Christen, StanMalloy, Michael Gattiss, Patrick McCallan, Beatrice Collier, Sr Moyra Joyce, Cecilia Curry and Eleanor Raw.

**Cycle of Prayer:** In Lent please keep in personal prayer: Candidates for the Sacraments [especially our own children preparing for First Holy Communion and adults for Reception into the Church]; Women; The Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers

**On Tuesday** there will be no mass at Chopwell but a Service of the Word & Holy Communion.

Sunday is the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes so at the 11am Mass at Chopwell the readings of Sunday take preference but the Prayers of the Proper of the Mass are for Our Lady's Feast Day

**This Sunday** is a World Day of Prayer for the Sick, and for the Unemployed. Both can go off our "radar" in prayer, unless we know of immediate family members or friends who are so afflicted, whilst we are all too familiar with seeing them all on our TV screens. Perhaps the best impetus to remind us to pray for them may be to imagine that we are one of them.

**Lent:** begins on this Ash Wednesday [14th Feb]: Please note times of services for this day/Lent/Holy Week/Easter very carefully when published, many yet to be arranged, as may be different from former years.

**Both Ash Wednesday, and Good Friday** [30 March], are days of Fasting & Abstinence: another opportunity to deny oneself for the good of others [Fasting] in whatever way you know to be appropriate [visits to lonely/sick family, friends, other people; [Almsgiving] in increased financial aid to those in need/helping out at Foodbanks etc; more time out to pray (as in 1 2 1 personal, face to face conversation with God in Jesus in bed/home/work/bus stop).

**Services on Ash Wednesday** - Chopwell 10.00am Service of the Word & Holy Communion with distribution of Ashes, Mass at 12 at St Barnabas' and Mass at 7pm in St. Agnes.

need them, and be grateful that they are our own local, Diocesan Service in so many, and nationally acknowledged professional ways. Without your continuing help they will not be able to continue to help us. Please do what you can over Lent.

**Our Headteacher at St Agnes' School**, Geoff Laidler, will be leaving St Agnes' School at the end of the summer term. He has accepted the headship of Dame Allan's Junior School in Newcastle, starting September 2018. He writes: "St Agnes' School will always have a very special place in my heart and I will miss the children and my colleagues greatly. However, I know that it will continue to flourish in the future and ask for your prayers and support as the governors begin their search for a new Headteacher. I will, of course, remain a part of our community and active in our parishes."

**Parish Finance & Council Meetings**: Members please note we meet for Finance Committee @ 6pm and Parish Council @ 7pm in St. Agnes on Tuesday, 13th February. All parishioner's items for Agenda to be submitted to Rose, Parish Secretary [cf: Letterhead for contact details] by this Sunday evening [ 11th February: Apologies for latest of notifications!]

**Deacon Christian Callan**: As Deacon Christian leaves us we wish him all the best and God's Blessing on his future Ministry in our Diocese. Last week all parishioners were invited to share with him in his farewell reception in St. Barnabas', R/Gill after 5.30pm Mass tonight [yesterday] at which he [is] was presented with an interim cheque [subject to incoming donations] in appreciation of his service to our 3 parishes over these last 5 years. Thank You, Chris, for your service to us all.

**St. Agnes, Mondays at 6.00 pm**, starting on the first Monday in Lent, February 19<sup>th</sup> . We will be using the Diocesan Lent resources on the theme of "Journeying Together", which seems to be particularly appropriate as those of us who initiated this are just ordinary parishioners with no special knowledge or experience! So why not come along, see what it's all about, and support each other on our journey towards Easter?

### **St. Agnes' 200 Club 2018**

If you have not enrolled in our 200 Club please support the re-launch of our biggest fundraising event of the year. Application forms are in the meeting room.

### **No Greater Love**

St Joseph's, Blaydon will host this meditation on the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ using songs and pictures led by local musician David Ritson. It begins at 3.00pm on Sunday 25th Feb. CDs of the music will be on sale afterwards to raise funds for the "St Joseph the Worker Foundation" in Medjugorje. There will be a chance to socialise afterwards as refreshments will be available.