

With One Voice!

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



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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (B) 24th & 25th FEBRUARY 2018

Psalter Week: 2

First Reading: GENESIS 22:1-2 9-13. 15-18.
The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith.

Responsorial Psalm: PSALM 115:10. 15-19.
Response: I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

Second reading: ROMANS 8:31-34.
God did not spare his own Son.

Gospel Reading: MARK 9:2-10.
This is my Son, the Beloved.



SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

<i>Date</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Venue & Time</i>	<i>Mass Intention</i>
<u>Saturday</u> 24th February	Vigil Mass	Highfield 5.30pm	Geoff Coffey
<u>Sunday</u> 25th February	Mass during the day	Crawcrook 9.15am Chopwell 11.00am	Patricia Maxwell Tony Kelly
<u>Monday</u> 26th February	Weekday of Lent	NO MASS	
<u>Tuesday</u> 27th February	Weekday of Lent	Chopwell 10.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
<u>Wednesday</u> 28th February	Weekday of Lent	Crawcrook 10.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
<u>Thursday</u> 1st March	St. David	Chopwell 10.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
<u>Friday</u> 2nd March	Weekday of Lent Women's World Day of Prayer	Highfield 10.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
<u>Saturday</u> 3rd March	Weekday of Lent	NO SERVICE	

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

<i>Date</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Venue & Time</i>	<i>Mass Intention</i>
<u>Saturday</u> 3rd March	Vigil Mass	Highfield 5.30pm	Bill Mennell
<u>Sunday</u> 4th March	Mass during the day	Crawcrook 9.15am Chopwell 11.00am	Agnes Lauder Isaac & Doris Birkett

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.

All of this we ask in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

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' Patricia Maxwell, Catherine Lynch, Mary Teresa Welsh, Aidan Harrison and Mama Amagu.

St. Joseph's William Keith Corry Thomas Henzell Nelly Hanzell Isabella Lydon Elizabeth Tucker Sarah Newton Veronica Brady Hannah Maria Jackson May Wallbanks Brigitta Brown William Donnelly John Doran Jacob Donnelly

Our Lady of Lourdes Philip Anthony Kelly and Mary Ann Robson

.Cycle of Prayer: During Lent we are asked to pray for these intentions:

Candidates for the Sacraments; Women; The Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers.

Annual Diocesan Mission Appeal: Please welcome among us Fr. Archie Casey from the Xaverian Mission Society making this Appeal on behalf of all the Mission Societies at all Masses this weekend [24/25th Feb]. Fr. Archie will be staying with us until Tuesday. There will be a wee different brogue this weekend! Thank you, Fr. Archie for giving me the opportunity to have a rest, and all our parishioners an overdue rest from me.

Today : is a Day of Prayer for Candidates for the Sacraments, remembering in particular our children preparing for Holy Communion and those to be received into Full Communion in the Church via RCIA.

Sacramental Preparation: The fourth sessions of preparation with our Catechists for Holy Communion are on Tuesday, 27th Feb for St. Joseph's schoolchildren in OLL and on Thursday, 1st March for St. Agnes' schoolchildren, both 6-7.30pm, with their parents rejoining the children for their prayer at 7.00pm. Thereafter they will celebrate a brief Liturgy within Mass on the weekend of 3/4th March after the Opening Prayer in preparation for Listening to the Word of God.

Stations of the Cross: Will be celebrated today [Sunday] at 4.00pm in St. Agnes', then on Wednesday [28th] at 6.30pm in Our Lady of Lourdes. There will be NO celebration of Stations in St. B's this Sunday, due to prior booking. All are hugely encouraged to participate in the reflection in Song and Vision of the Passion of Our Lord by Dave Ritson in St, Joseph's, Blaydon as a moving, poignant reflection of the said Stations of the Cross.

presentation by Bishop Robert Barron in mutual discussion with refreshments on the theme of "Amazed and Afraid: The Revelation of God Become Man." Mass will be celebrated together at 7.00pm in St. Anne's Chapel [in Presbytery], Half Fields Rd, Winlaton, NE21 5RW, followed then by this event, ending at 9.00pm.

Lenten Alms: We ask for your continued support of the work of St. Cuthbert's Care, our Diocesan Caring Agency. Visit their website for view of the different services they undertake on our behalf:
www.stcuthbertscare.org.uk

Schools: - St. Agnes' Year 3 present their Lenten Liturgy on Friday, 2nd March, at 9.15am in school.

Partnership Development Group : Please see notice board for Diocesan Partnership Newsletter, explanation of our Partnership Logo, and Forthcoming Partnership events.

Our Journeying Together programme for Lent continues on Monday 26th February 6-7pm at St Agnes' for the second session on the theme of **God's Transfiguring Love**. We offer thanks to all those parishioners who started their Lent journey together on Monday evening and we welcome anyone else to come along to any of the sessions for prayer and reflection as we are each called to remember Jesus' journey

Womens World Day of Prayer Friday 2nd March. Crawcrook Centenary Methodist Church at 1.30pm and Chopwell Our Lady of Lourdes at 6.30pm. All welcome.

Crawcrook – Chocolate Easter Egg Tombola on Easter Sunday. Proceeds going to Lenten Alms. There is a box for donations of Easter eggs.

Seder (Passover) Meal. Invitation from St. John's Greenside to attend the Seder Meal. Full details on the noticeboard. Please add your name if you wish to attend.

Communications: Until Saturday, 3rd March, please direct all enquiries or messages to Deacon Derek or our Parish Secretary, Rose Goldie.
[Contact details on Newsletter Letterhead

Crawcrook Mission Boxes due for emptying

Copies of the minutes of the recent PPC and finance meetings are on the noticeboard, with a few copies at the back of church.

200 Club (Crawcrook) Please join the 200 Club the first draw is the end of March. All proceeds will be donated to a yet to be decided local charity.

Invitation to Youth Ministry Meeting on February 25th

All parishioners who are concerned about how we can support young people on their faith journey are invited to a co-workers' gathering at the Emmaus Village on **Sunday February 25th at 3.00pm**. (Tea, coffee and cake served from 2.15pm). There are a number of opportunities that YMT will share with you and this will also be a time to share good practice and network with other parts of the diocese. Please let YMT know if you are coming on 01207 592244 or admin@ymt.org

OH YES WE DID IT! A huge thank you to everyone who attended the pantomime and helped in any way to make it a success. We raised £1065.00 for St Joseph's School Fund and £250.00 for the Carer's Trust which Barclay's Bank will price match, giving them a total of £500.00. The children were excellent and we all enjoyed ourselves. Watch out for an article in the Northern Cross. Thank you again - much appreciated. The Josephites.

Race Night (Crawcrook) Thursday 26th April is the date for our trip to the Newcastle Greyhounds. It is normally £20 but there is a £5 discount and there is a notice on the board giving details of what is included. Please put your name on the list and there is a £5 deposit when you enter your name. Two weeks before the 26th the menus have to be in and the remaining £10 paid. There is a bus booked leaving St. Agnes at 5.30pm with the fare about £8. It's a good fun night so come along.

SERVICES IN LENT

Stations of the cross St. Agnes 4pm Sundays
Rowlands Gill 4pm Sundays

Our Lady of Lourdes Wednesday 6,.30pm

Our Journeying Together programme for Lent

every Monday St. Agnes 6 – 7pm.

26th Feb. God's transfiguring Love.

5th March The Clearing of the Temple

12th March God loved the world so much,

19th March Wherever I am my servant will be,

TBC The road to Emmaus.

Ladies Lenten Service

Tuesday March 13th St. Agnes at 7pm.

Ovingham Partnership St. Anne's Winlaton. Mass at 7pm in St. Anne's Presbytery followed by DVD presentations on Wednesdays

28th February Amazed and Afraid.

7th March Happy are we,

14th March, The ineffable mystery of God,

21st March a body both suffering and glorious.

See poster for more details

Seder Passover Meal

St. John's Greenside Monday 26th March. At 6.30pm. (See poster)

Partnership Reconciliation Service

St Joseph's, Blaydon Tuesday March 27th 7.00pm

Please keep as a reminder of our Lenten Services