

With One Voice!

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



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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (B) 3rd & 4th MARCH 2018

Psalter Week: 3

First Reading: EXODUS 20:1-17
The Law was given through Moses

Responsorial Psalm: PSALM 18:8-11
Response: You Lord, have the message of eternal life

Second reading: 1 CORINTHIANS 1:22-25
Here we are preaching a crucified Christ, an obstacle to men, but to those who are called, the wisdom of God.

Gospel JOHN 2:13-25.
Destroy this sanctuary and in three days I will raise it up.



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<i>Date</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Venue & Time</i>	<i>Mass Intention</i>
<u>Saturday</u> 3 rd March	Vigil Mass	Highfield 5.30pm	Bill Mennell
<u>Sunday</u> 4 th March	Mass during the day	Crawcrook 9.15am Chopwell 11.00am	Agnes Lauder Isaac & Doris Birkett
<u>Monday</u> 5 th March	Weekday of Lent	NO MASS	
<u>Tuesday</u> 6 th March	Weekday of Lent	Chopwell 10.00am	Jean Hunter
<u>Wednesday</u> 7 th March	Weekday of Lent or Ss Perpetua & Felicity	Crawcrook 10.00am	Harvey Smith
<u>Thursday</u> 8 th March	Weekday of Lent or St. John of God	Chopwell 10.00am	Dec of Gaffin Family
<u>Friday</u> 9 th March	Weekday of Lent or St. Francis of Rome	Highfield 10.00am	Priest's Intention
<u>Saturday</u> 10 th March	Weekday of Lent	Crawcrook 10.00am	Jim & Rita Gates

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

<i>Date</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Venue & Time</i>	<i>Mass Intention</i>
<u>Saturday</u> 10 th March	Vigil Mass	Highfield 5.30pm	People of the Parish
<u>Sunday</u> 11 th March	Mass during the day	Crawcrook 9.15am Chopwell 11.00am	People of the Parish Gatiss Family

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, Simon Burns, Julia Knight, Doreen Hodgson, Michael Delamere, Tony Tynan, Jane Parkin, Tony Pfiffin, Wilf Crawley, George Dixon, (Martin) John Brice, and Elizabeth (Betty) Conway.

Anniversaries

St. Agnes' Teresa Harrison, Harry McLaughlin, Francis Slowie and Joseph Harvey Smith.

St. Joseph's William Young, Andrew Patrick Hart, Monica Margaret Best, Joseph Lydon, John Arthur Cooper, Ellin Murray, Frederick Nichols, Wharton Storey, Magdalena Wells, Mary Docherty, Maria Joanna Little, William Hawdon, Jacob Rafferty.

Our Lady of Lourdes Mary McKenna, Mary Overal, John Dorritt & Teresa Fell.

Cycle of Prayer: During Lent we pray for: Candidates for the Sacraments; Women; The Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers.

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

Stations of the Cross: today (Sunday) at 4.00pm in St. Agnes', and 4.00pm at St. Joseph's (at St. Barnabas') together with St Barnabas' & St. Patrick's Church of England congregations, & at Our Lady of Lourdes on Wednesday at 6.30pm.

Journeying Together Monday evening 6-7pm at St. Agnes You're invited to join us for the third session of our Lent programme, for prayer, reflection and thought-provoking discussion on the theme of '***The Clearing of the Temple***' as we support each other on our journey through Lent.

Lenten Sharing: Wednesday 7th March, the second of four opportunities in Lent with Partnership Parishes to explore our Catholic Faith via DVD presentation by Bishop Robert Barron on the theme of "Happy are We: The Teachings of Jesus". Mass will be celebrated at 7.00pm in St. Anne's Chapel [in Presbytery], Half Fields Rd, Winlaton, NE21 5RW, followed by DVD, refreshments & discussion, ending at 9.00pm.

Service of Reconciliation St Joseph's, Blaydon Tuesday March 27th 7.00pm for all our Partnership parishes.

The First Holy Communion preparation which was cancelled last week will now take place on the next scheduled dates Tuesday 13th & Thursday 15th March, and later sessions will be adjusted to take account of this.

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

Schools KS1 St. Joseph's children will celebrate parish Mass with us on Thursday 8th March in Our Lady of Lourdes.

Fr. James will celebrate Mass with St. Thomas More Year Group in their Chapel on Thursday 8th March at 11.50am.

St. Agnes' School Governors meet on Thursday 8th March: Finance Committee at 5pm, and Full Governing Body at 6pm in School.

St. Agnes' Reception Year present their Lenten Liturgy on Friday 9th March at 9.15am in school.

Partnership Development Group At their recent meeting it was agreed:
1) Individual parishes may opt out of ideas put forward by the development group but this does not prevent the idea from going forward.
2) After a review of all the suggestions which were made regarding the mission statement the following was agreed:

A loving missionary community with Jesus at its heart, welcoming and valuing all as we celebrate our baptismal calling.

3) Our schools are being asked to contribute to an Ovingham Partnership Prayer which will be distributed to parishioners on a prayer card along with the mission statement, logo and explanation of the logo.

4) A number of the members will be attending two conferences hosted by the diocese so that we may keep up to date with all that is happening with partnerships across the diocese.

Friends of St. Agnes meet on Tuesday at 7pm. Please see notices regarding Easter Egg Tombola (proceeds for Lenten Alms), & day at the Newcastle Greyhounds.

Ladies Lenten Service: Tuesday March 13th St. Agnes at 7pm, where we will be joined by our friends from other local churches.

Seder Passover Meal at St. John's Greenside Monday 26th March 6.30pm. (See poster on notice board for details)

St. Agnes' 200 Club The first draw is at the end of March. All proceeds will be donated to a yet to be decided local charity.

Minutes of the PPC and Finance Group are on the notice board with a few copies at the back of church.

Northern Cross: The March edition of our Diocesan Newspaper is on sale at the back of Church.