

With One Voice!

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

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20th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (B) 18th & 19th August 2018

Psalter Week: 2

First Reading: BOOK OF PROVERBS 9:1-6

Eat my bread, drink the wine I have prepared for you.

Responsorial Psalm Response Taste and see the Lord is good

Second reading: ST. PAUL TO EPHESIANS 5: 15-20:

Recognise what is the will of God

Gospel! JOHN 6: 51-58

My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink..



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Date	Mass	Venue & Time	Mass Intention
Saturday 18th August	Vigil Mass	Highfield 5.30pm	Paul Welsh
Sunday 19th August	Mass during the day	Crawcrook 9.15am Chopwell 11.00am	Robson & Dixon Family Jim McNestry
Monday 20th August	St. Bernard	NO MASS	
Tuesday 21st August	The Dedication of St. Mary's Cathedral	Chopwell 10.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Wednesday 22nd August	The Queenship of Mary	Crawcrook 10.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Thursday 23rd August	Weekday or St. Rose of Lima	Chopwell 10.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Friday 24th August	St. Bartholomew	Highfield 10.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Saturday 25th August	Weekday	NO SERVICE	

21st SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Date	Mass	Venue & Time	Mass Intention
Saturday 25th August	Vigil Mass	Highfield 5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 26th August	Mass during the day	Crawcrook 9.15am Chopwell 11.00am	Teresa Kelly. People of the Parish



Ovingham Partnership Prayer

Lord our God,

We ask your blessing on the Ovingham Partnership.

Help it to be a light shining out to others,

Where we can learn to follow Jesus one step at a time

And to share and grow together.

Send your Spirit to help and guide us.

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, George Gill, Monica Coleman, Terry Reay, Tony Tynan, Simon Burns, Julia Knight, Doreen Hodgson, Tony Pffiffin, Martin Bryce David Patton And Wilf Crawley

Anniversaries

St. Agnes' George Madine, Norah Robson, Molly Lynch, William Ronnie Gilmour, Anne Marron and Bev Gardiner

St. Joseph's Sarah Ann Waugh, Elsie Loughlin, Rose Doran, Michael Lydon, Emilia Flynn

Our Lady of Lourdes Hilda Robson

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Chopwell) Tuesday and Thurs 9.30am to 10am

Contact In Fr. J's absence please direct all enquiries to Deacon Derek or to our Parish Secretary Rose Goldie.

Weekday Services: Please carefully note the times of weekday services for the next four weeks as these may change from week to week.

In Fr. J's absence Fr. Philip Carroll will celebrate the Masses next weekend and 8/9 September, with Fr. Paul Mooney celebrating Mass and making the APF Appeal on the middle weekend of 1/2 September.

Days of Reflection: ALL Ministers and Lay Liturgical Leaders are requested to consult the posters and booking forms advertising these days [29th September and 3rd November respectively] and encouraged to sign up for them, costs payable by the Parish, so that bookings can be made as soon as possible.

Partnership Matters: The August / September edition of the bi-monthly *Partnership Matters* news update is now available on the front page of the diocesan website (www.rcdhn.org.uk). It includes an introduction from our new Chief Operating Officer, Fiona Standfield and a range of activities and ideas shared from across the Diocese

St. Agnes' Mission Boxes £590 has been sent to APF Mill Hill. Many thanks to all mission box holders and those who gave donations.

ST. Agnes Church Redecoration: 3 Parishioners attended the meeting last Sunday, and FR. J. received email suggestions from 2 parishioners who were unable to attend.

A constructive, affirming conversation took place in which it was recognised that:

- peoples' taste in art, music, decor etc differ...
- whatever be the final decor it will not be to everyone's liking...
- but someone has to take the final decision [unfortunately the PP].
- given the predominantly brick church interior, what people would welcome would be some light, soft, warm, rich, uplifting, cheerful and good quality colours where possible.
- these should always be governed by Liturgical Norms which ensure that our worship of God and celebration of Mass preserve and enhance the proper focus of what our attention should be [Each Other/Lectionary/Altar/Sanctuary/Tabernacle/Crucifix].

All decoration will take place, bearing in mind that:

- there will be prior lighting upgrade in the main Church to roof/tabernacle area/choir loft/Stations of Cross, which will affect the look of the colours.
- possible installation in apex of main church roof voids [cost permitting] of down-blowers that recycle the warm air that otherwise rises to the roof and is wasted, thus providing a warmer Church.....
- the necessity for a "Cherry Picker/Spider" machine in Church to enable painting at high level [cost and movement of Scaffolding more prohibitive], with consequent access and boarding to support its weight, protect sanctuary carpet, and its storage in church even while we endeavour to provide normal service of Holy Mass at weekends and mid week services: [The Hymn: " And I will raise you up", comes to mind!]

All this will inevitably incur change of what people are used to or find likeable, with consequent disturbance and upset. We ask only that everyone try and understand.

External Work: Please visit our Parish website for description of work completed and photos.

