

# With One Voice!

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

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## 3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C) 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2018

### Psalter Week: 1

**First Reading:** PROPHET ZEPHANIAH 3:14-18  
The Lord will dance with shouts of joy for you as on a day of festival.

### **Responsorial Psalm** Response

Sing and shout for joy for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

### **Second reading:** .PAUL TO THE PHILIPPIANS

The Lord is very near..

### **Gospel** LUKE 3: 10-18

What must we do?.



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<b>Date</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<b>Venue &amp; Time</b>	<b>Mass Intention</b>
<b>Saturday</b> 15th December	Vigil Mass	Highfield 5.30pm	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday</b> 16th December	Mass during the day	Crawcrook 9.15am Chopwell 11.00am	Paul Bousfield Lily Johansen
<b>Monday</b> 17th December	Weekday of Advent	NO MASS	
<b>Tuesday</b> 18th December	Weekday of Advent	Chopwell 10.00am	Hannah Moore
<b>Wednesday</b> 19th December	Weekday of Advent	Crawcrook 10.00am	Kelly Family
<b>Thursday</b> 20th December	Weekday of Advent	Chopwell 10.00am	Tom Peel
<b>Friday</b> 21st December.	Weekday or St.Peter Canisius	Highfield 10.00am	Priest's Intention
<b>Saturday</b> 22nd December	Weekday of Advent	Crawcrook 10.00am	Keith Galilee

### **4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C)**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<b>Venue &amp; Time</b>	<b>Mass Intention</b>
<b>Saturday</b> 22nd December	Vigil Mass	Highfield 5.30pm	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday</b> 23rd December	Mass during the day	Crawcrook 9.15am Chopwell 11.00am	John Carroll All who are sick



Our Lady and St. Catherine, Pudfoot \* Our Lady of Lourdes, Chopwell \* St. Mary and Thomas Aquinas, Bide \* St. Agnes, Crawcrook \* St. Anne, Widdow \* St. Joseph, Baxton \* St. Joseph, Hopton

## **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*

*We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen*

## 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, Simon Burns, Julia Knight, Doreen Hodgson, Tony Pfiffin, Martin Bryce David Patton, Wilf Crawley John Paul Dixon, Kathleen Diamond; Tom Hindmarsh and Maureen McEwan

## Anniversaries

**St. Agnes'** Michael Ronald Armstrong, Robert Taylor, Paul Bousfield, and Harriet Thackwray

**St. Joseph's** Gladys Mary Murphy, George Thirlaway, Laurence Atkinson, Lillian Swinbank, Hannah Laverty, James Patrick Murphy, Andrew Gowan, Sarah Best, Elizabeth Richardson, Maurice Flynn, Michael Duffy and Kathleen Duffy

**Our Lady of Lourdes** Margaret Gregory, Peter Fellowes, Andrew Jordan. Nancy McMahan, Alice Gallagher, and Mary Ann Bushby.

**Recently Dead.** We are sad to announce that Esther Robson (Chopwell) died on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018. Her funeral service will take place at Mountsett Crematorium on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018, at 10.15 am. Please remember Esther, her husband Don, Daughter Esther and all the family at this sad time.

**Next Sunday:** is a Day of Special Prayer for Expectant Mothers, whom we commend to Mary, the Mother of Jesus, our God and Saviour, in this particularly personal way.

**Family Advent Service:** for all in our Partnership Parishes and beyond, will be celebrated with our St. Agnes' Schoolchildren's in prayers and song at 3.30pm today [Sunday, 16th] in St. Agnes' Church. The more that individual families make a real effort to come and enjoy this Advent Service, the more can we celebrate our genuine togetherness as the Parish Family of St. Agnes and the Catholic Family of the Church. Whether or not you are part of a family or are on your own you are all part of our Church/Parish Family, so please try your best to join us.

[16 Dec] Unfortunately, but unavoidable, St. B's, RG also hold a Family Christmas Party Service with the Nativity Story told in 27 chocolate bars at 4.00pm on the same day. Guess who wins? You takes your choice

**Our Schools:** Enter a week of frenetic activity towards Christmastide in which everyone - All School Staff, parents and family members - not least our Pupils themselves - feel increasingly pressurised with the secular and religious demands of the "run up" to Christmas, with consequent tiredness and stress. Let us embrace the "Peace" of this Christmas by endeavouring to be gentle on one another and ourselves in all our expectations of each other, ourselves and "take some time out".

Next week's itinerary is:

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- Monday: [17th] St. Agnes Primary School Christmas Party  
Tuesday: [18th] 2.00pm: St Joseph, Highfield, KS1 Christmas Presentation  
2.00pm St. Agnes, Crawcrook, KS1 Christmas Presentation

Wednesday: [19th] 11.45am: St. Joseph, Pupil Christmas Dinner.  
12.15pm St. Joseph Staff & Governor Christmas Dinner  
2.00pm St. Agnes Reception Nativity Play.

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Thursday: [20th] 1.30pm: St. Agnes School Carol Service in St.. Agnes Church

Friday: [21st] St. Thomas More Will celebrate End of Term Mass for all pupils of varying years in 3 Masses at 9.00/10.15/ and 11.00am presided by Partnership Priests  
11.00am: St. Joseph's Years 5/6 pray their Advent Liturgy with whole school.

**St. Agnes Carol Service:** 1.30pm in St. Agnes Church for all Parishioners of our 3 parishes on Thursday, 20th December prepared by our St. Agnes Primary schoolchildren. Parents and family members make great efforts to attend their child's school Christmas productions, adjusting work/child care patterns/cancelling other engagements, attending in great numbers to a packed school hall, for this is where their priorities lie.

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**Next Sunday:** This Advent Service will be held at OLL, Chopwell at 4.00pm for a space of guided quiet time, rest and reflection before the Blessed Sacrament of Our Lord Jesus Himself for us all; perhaps for all who feel alone, wearied, or just needing time to rest and get "time out" from the demands of everyday life, and get in touch again with one's own, real, inner self

**Churches Together Carol Service:** All are invited to share with our fellow Christian Churches in an our Advent Carol Service on Friday, 21st December, at 5.00pm in "The Ark" , Crawcrook.

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Help is required with the Christmas cleaning at St Barnabas on 19th December 10.30. Please think about coming along as many hands make it a lot quicker! Christmas cleaning at St. Agnes is on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm. Everyone welcome!!

**Crawcrook Christmas Raffle** – This was drawn yesterday and the list of prize winners is on the notice board. After the printing the raffle realised £563. Thanks to all who bought tickets and for donating the prizes there was 34 prizes.

**Crawcrook** There will be a collection after Mass next Sunday for Christmas flowers.

The collection taken at the joint CAFOD/Christian Aid Service was £328. So both charities received £164. Each.

Would Scripture Readers for Crawcrook please pick up the new rota.

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