

**Introduction:** On this Sunday after Christmas, we celebrate the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. From his earliest days, Jesus' life is fraught with threat and rejection – a fate shared by his parents.

**First Reading** Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3 - Abram, a name which means “father figure”, is told his name is to be Abraham, which means “father of a great nation”.

**Second Reading** Hebrews 11:8. 11-12. 17-19 - Abraham is extolled as the example of great faith, trusting in God, even when what he experienced appeared to be the opposite of what God promised.

**Gospel** Luke 2:22-40 - Jesus' parents present him in the Temple to fulfil what the Law required. Jesus is revealed as the saviour, as witnessed by the prophetic figures of Simeon and Anna.

**Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur about this time:**

#### **DECEMBER**

**27** May Grimbaldeston

**28** Winifred Wright, Fr Bernard Mc Kenna (Former PP), Dorothy Parker **29** Frederick Barton, V Bary, Peter Molloy

**30** Thomas Butler, Robert Beesley, Agnes Walmsley

**31** Ann Taylor, Katherine Brown

#### **JANUARY**

**1** Robert Barnes, Jane Swarbrick, Peter Haslem

**2** Isabel Jean Hull, Mary (Molly) M<sup>c</sup>Kee

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## **Parishes of St Andrew & Blessed George Haydock, Cottam, and St Mary, Lea Town The Holy Family 27<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

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The Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday (4.30pm to 5pm) or on request. Please call in to the Presbytery or speak to Canon Adrian before or after Mass.

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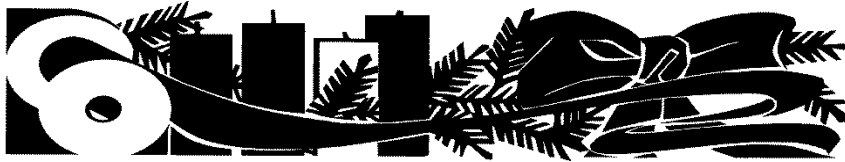
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Those who honour their  
father, atone for sins;  
those who respect their  
mother, store up treasures.

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Sirach 3:3–4



**SATURDAY 26<sup>th</sup> December**

5.30pm Vigil Eddie Williams (7033)

**This Mass will be live streamed from Parish website**

**SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> December**

**9.00am (Lea Town) People of the Parish**

**10.30am Jim Lowery (7046)**

**6.00pm The Deceased Members of the Alldred Family (7047)**

**MONDAY 28<sup>th</sup> December -The Holy Innocents (Feast)**

9.15am Laura Herron (6871)

**TUESDAY 29<sup>th</sup> December St. Thomas Becket (Feast)**

NO MASS

**WEDNESDAY 30<sup>th</sup> December**

9.15am Peter Feeney (6872)

**THURSDAY 31<sup>st</sup> December**

8.15am (Lea Town) Agnes Connolly (6873)

**FRIDAY 1<sup>st</sup> January – Mary, Mother of God (Solemnity)**

**11.00am** Jenny & Robin Barnes (6977)

**SATURDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> January**

**St. Basil the Great and St. Gregory Nazianzen (Memorial)**

9.15am NO MASS

5.30pm Vigil\_ John McIlvor (6874)

**Mass Intentions** All Mass offerings and intentions are most welcome. If you require a Mass on a particular day, please let Canon Adrian know or place the intention, offering and details in an envelope on the collection plate at the back of church.

As we begin a New Year, celebrating the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, we ask her intercession and protection for our parishioners, our country and our world. May 2021 bring light and hope to all of us, that we may enjoy better times than we experienced in 2020. May God bless you all. Canon Adrian

**Deacon John Cliffe & Julie** Wish to convey to all the parishioners their thanks for their prayers, Christmas greetings & cards and wish everyone every blessing for the New Year.

The following guidance should be following by everyone who attends either St Andrew's or St Mary's.

1. **PLEASE DO NOT VISIT THE CHURCH IF YOU HAVE ANY SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19 INCLUDING FEVER, PERSISTENT COUGH OR LOSS OF TASTE OR SMELL.**
2. You must not visit if you have been asked to shield or are in self-isolation.
3. **HAND SANITISERS** must be used on entry to & exit from the church.
4. **FACE COVERINGS** must be worn by all members of the congregation.
5. **SOCIAL DISTANCING**, following government guidance of 1m plus, must be followed at all times.
6. All printed material, such as missals and hymn books, which are not intended for single use will not be available in the church.
7. There will be **NO CONGREGATIONAL SINGING** in church.
8. There is a maximum limit of people in the church which is determined not only by the number of people, but whether they are part of a family or bubble. Once the limit is reached you will be asked to attend a different service.

**[Registration – Online on the parish website preferred](#)**  
**[Or NHS Track & Trace App scan the QR Code at the back of church](#)**

As a requirement of the Government's test and trace system we are required to hold details of all those who attend each of our services. The requirement is to hold these details for 21 days. There will be hard copies of the form available at church, but we would urge you to complete this online, either before you attend church, or on return. We would like to hold your details on file for longer than this so that we can contact you in the future in regard to parish activities and other such matters. If you are happy for this to occur, then please tick the appropriate box. We need to record this information for all services.