

The Village Church by Kathleen Gosling

In the village of Cottam where I live, Stands the church neat and trim, Saint Andrew

and Blessed George Haydock is the name, Brother of Saint Peter, Andrew was, Blessed George Haydock, one of the forty martyrs, who in this village lived.

Every Sunday morn' at ten I go

As the bell in the belfry rings out strong, Calling young and old for this sad world to pray. The organ in the loft above,

Th! What a tale it could tell,

Some years past it sat proud on North Pier at **Blackpool**, so I'm told!

So from jazz to calmer things,

like hymns ancient, modern and Latin too,

The organist treats with great respect,

Lest it make a noise or two,

So happily will end its days in the loft above,

Then on the scrape heap it may go until it reaches journey's end.

So I kneel in quiet prayer to thank God for my village life.

The little Church in moonlight beams and seems to understand my dreams.

The following items were donated to St. Andrew and Blessed George Haydock after the fire August 2000:

Gold Chasuble in memory of the Singleton and Keefe Family - Marian Chasuble for the present and future families of the Parish - Gothic White Chasuble in memory of the parents of Joan and John Hines - Gothic Green Chasuble with happy memories of Bernard Oakes - Gothic Red Chasuble by the parish of St. Wilfred, Preston - Gothic Purple Chasuble in memory of the Tunney and Wareing Families - Pieta White Chasuble in memory of Robert Barnes - Celtic Green Chasuble in memory of Joseph John Mckeown from his family-Lenten Purple Chasuble in memory of J. G. Eastham-Orphrey Green Chasuble in thanksgiving - Gaudete/Laetare Rose Chasuble in memory of Agnes Bilsborough - Gold Cope by George and Doreen Keefe and family - 5 Corporals by Miss Peggy Morton - 5 Corporals by A. I. McCauley - 5 Corporals in memory of Joseph Dawson from his daughter, grandchildren and son-in-law - 5 Purificators in memory of Richard and Anne Peck and their families-5Purificatorsinmemory of John and Ellen Keefe-10 Purificators in memory of John and Winifred Rainford - 5 Lavabo Cloths in memory of Mr. GeraldStoker-ProcessionalCrossinmemory of the families of Johnand Alice Cookson - Tabernacle of Repose in memory of Nellie Gray - Concelebration Chalice and Book of Blessings in memory of J. D. Whalley - Concelebration Chalice in loving memory of Sylvester Lakeland - Concelebration Ciborium in thanksgiving on the occasion of the Diamond Wedding of Mary & Jack Grimshaw - Unity Chalice by the Ecumencial Community of Cottam -Thurable by the Love family - Incense Boat in loving memory of the deceased members of the Russell family - Thurable Stand, Altar Cruets and a Glass Cruetin memory of Michael and for all the Cray family - Communion Pyxin memory of Sylvester Lakeland and Joseph Bernard Brown-Priest's Missalin loving memory of Robert and Hasley Hasley and Catherine by Mrs. Mary Cross-Funeral Missals in memory of the Baldwin and Welton families - Book of the Gospels in memory of J. R. Millar - Lectionary I by George Keefe and family - Lectionary II in loving memory of Louis nelson Green, a loving husband, father and granddad - Lectionary III in memory of Joseph Gavin Pegg, a dear brother and uncle - Cycle A Mass Books in memory of Margaret Haughey - 100 Funeral Books in memory of Rose-Anne Haughey - 25 Marriage Booksin memory of Josephand Jonathan Brown and their families-75 Marriage Books in celebration of the marriage of Clare and Laurent Trembleau - Brass Altar Candle Stick in memory of the Strathdee family -Brass Altar Candle Stick by the Lord family - Wooden Crucifix and Altar Servers Medals in memory of the Burrow family - Acolyte Candlein memory of deceased members of the Worden family - Acolyte Candle in memory of Mr Willy Theo Ghyselinks by Mrs. Roby Ghyselinks and Mrs. Anne Lonsdale-Candle Extinguishers in memory of deceased members of the Alston and Ryan families - Mission Monstrance, Wine Jug, Triple Oil Stock, individual Oil Stocks and Case, Five Altar Servers Albs, 3 Altar Cloths and Credence Table Cloth, 100 Baptism Books, Christmas Tree and Decorations, Sacristy Lectionaries and Holy Water Container anonymously - along with much financial support and many prayers.

Please pray for all who supported us in our hours of need.