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Introduction: Today we join the hungry crowds who gathered at the Galilean lakeside. We, too, come seeking Jesus, asking him to feed us with the bread of life.

First Reading Exodus 16:2-4. 12-15

The starving Israelites beg Moses to feed them. The Lord rains down food from heaven.

Second Reading Ephesians 4:17. 20-24

Many pleasures are illusory. St Paul prescribes a total renewal in the way we think: a return, in other words, to the way God created us to be.

Gospel John 6:24-35

People were expecting Jesus to be like Moses, providing them with daily bread. Instead, Jesus offers them fresh, rejuvenating food, unlike any other.

A link to today's readings can be found on our website.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time:

- 1** The Green Family **2** Joseph Allen **3** Teresa Begley
4 The Haworth Family **5** Jean Laking **6** Mary Gilligan

Catholic Voice – The latest edition can be accessed from the parish website.

Parishes of **St Andrew & Blessed George Haydock, Cottam, and St Mary, Lea Town** **18th Sunday in Ordinary Time** **1st August 2021**

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Baptisms and Marriages by Arrangement.

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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Whoever believes in me
will never thirst.

John 6:35

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SATURDAY 31st July

5.30pm Vigil John Graham (7106)

This Mass will be live streamed from Parish website.

SUNDAY 1st August

9.00am (Lea Town) People of the Parish

10.30am James Roy Cookson (Anniversary) (7277)

6.00pm Special Intention for Better Health (7331)

MONDAY 2nd August St. Eusebius of Vercelli (Opt. Memorial)

9.15am Mr Dalton (sick) (7328)

TUESDAY 3rd August – NO MASS

WEDNESDAY 4th August – St. John Vianney (Memorial)

9.15am Nataleen Dalton (Birthday) (7329)

THURSDAY 5th August

Dedication of Basilica of St. Mary Major (Opt. Memorial)

8.15am (Lea Town) Robert Dalton (Birthday) (7330)

FRIDAY 6th August

The Transfiguration of the Lord (Feast)

9.15am Patricia Kenyon (7287)

SATURDAY 7th August

**St. Edmund Arrowsmith, St Ambrose Barlow & companions
Lancaster martyrs (Memorial)**

9.15am **NO MASS**

5.30pm Vigil Rosemary Graham (7107)

Afternoon Devotions

There will be no afternoon Devotions in August.

Dessert & Wine Evening Our first parish social in over 18 months will take place on Friday 24th September at 7:00pm in the Haydock Room. More details will be available at the start of September – please book in your diaries now.

40th Anniversary Canon Adrian will be celebrating 40 years since his ordination as a priest on the 14th November 2021. We will have two parish celebrations.

On the 28th October we will have a celebratory meal at Bartle Hall. More details, including ticket prices, will be available in September. On the 16th November we will have a Thanksgiving Mass at St Andrew's followed by a buffet in the Haydock Room. Booking will be required and more details will be available in September.

Round Stained Glass Windows Appeal You will notice that the beautiful stained glass window at the back of church has had to be removed. The glass panels are surrounded by ornate carved wood, sadly this has all gone rotten from within, and the wood has to be completely replaced. We have now had confirmation that the other two round windows will need to be removed and replaced. Further details to follow. Given this is such a beautiful and important part of our church building, parishioners and friends of St Andrew's may like to contribute towards the cost of its repair. This can be done by a donation direct to the parish, or on the donate page of the diocesan website. If you do this via the diocesan website, please state you wish your donation to go to St Andrew's, Cottam, windows repair.

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.

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