Introduction Today we hear again the extraordinary teachings of Jesus that changed the world for ever. By our refusal to hate, we too may make our world a better place for everyone.

First Reading 1 Samuel 26:2. 7-9. 12-13. 22-23

Though the king set out with an army to kill him, David refrained from harming Saul, even when the opportunity presented itself.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Human beings have bodies. Yet a physical being may become spiritually minded and bear the image of Christ.

Gospel Luke 6:27-38

Those who are truly God's children resemble their heavenly Father in showing indiscriminate kindness, even towards their worst enemies.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time:

FEBRUARY

20 Margaret Connolly, Bert Holtom
21 Fr Edmond McCartan (pp), John O'Brien, Agnes Hind,
Marjorie Shaw 22 Pat Ellis, Andrew Cooney 23 Helen Minchin
24 John Strathdee, Fr Ken Hodson, Fr Fred Hamer (pp).
Frank Dillon 25 Catherine Spencer, Fr Joe Bamber

Round Stained Glass Windows Appeal

Window Restoration Fund Total Raised to date £3488.50

Synod 2022 – 2023 Survey The Lancaster Diocese have prepared a survey which gives you the opportunity to have your say! It only takes a few minutes, you don't have to leave your name, and we would love to know what you think - good or bad! Follow the link from the parish website.

WEBSITE: www.standrewscottam.org.uk

Parishes of St Andrew & Blessed George Haydock, Cottam, and St Mary, Lea Town

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time 20 February 2022

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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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Love your enemies.

Luke 6:27

SATURDAY 19 February

5.30pm Vigil Lily Abram – Lately Dead (7476)
This Mass will be live streamed from Parish website

SUNDAY 20 February - Parish Mass Books p141

9.00am (Lea Town) Benefactors of St Mary's Parish, Lea Town - Annual Mass 10.30am People of the Parish

NO Afternoon Devotions

6.00pm Patricia Kenyon (7301)

MONDAY 21 February – St. Peter Damian (Opt. Memorial)

9.15am Frank Walls – Lately Dead (7496)

TUESDAY 22 February - NO MASS The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle (Feast)

WEDNESDAY 23 February – St. Polycarp (Memorial)

9.15am Hanora Dawson (102nd Birthday) (7503)

THURSDAY 24 February

8.15am (Lea Town) Esther Dalton & Extended Family for Spiritual & Temporal Needs (7436)

FRIDAY 25 February

9.15am Special Intention (7499)

SATURDAY 26 February

9.15 am Members & Benefactors Living & DeadLancashire Infirm Secular Clergy Fund (7461)5.30pm Vigil Joe & Mary Hoghton (7500)

Confessions Each Saturday from 4.30pm to 5.00pm.



<u>Welcome</u> to Arthur Paul Murray who will be baptised at St Andrew's today.

First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

We are looking forward to beginning the preparation classes for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. These will take place on Tuesday evenings at 3.20 pm in the Annex at St Mary's church. Classes will last for around an hour.

First Reconciliation classes will take place on 22 February, 1 March and the children will make their First Reconciliation at St Mary's on 8 March at 3.20 pm.

First Holy Communion classes will take place on 26 April, 3 May & 10 May. The children will make their First Holy Communion at St Mary's church at the 9 o'clock Mass on Sunday 22 May.

If you wish to put your child forward for this programme and haven't already through St Mary's school, please contact Canon Towers.

Lenten Film/Discussion Series

On 3 Wednesdays in Lent 7pm - 8.15pm

30 March The Existence of God and Who is Jesus?

6 April The Holy Spirit & the Church and The Gift of Faith.

13 April Finding True Freedom and The Meaning of Love

St Andrew's Parishioners:- As you know donating to the collection (Parish General), Special Collections(2nd Collection) and for Candles, Booklets etc can now be paid by credit/debit card (Contactless or via PIN) and by Apple Pay on the digital collection machine at the back of the church or by clicking the 'Donate' button on the parish website.

IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, PLEASE WILL YOU DONATE IN THIS WAY RATHER THAN BY CASH. You can also register the card you wish to use for Gift Aid, you only need to do this once, ideally on the website but it is also possible to do this on the machine. If you Gift Aid your donation in this way, you will no longer need to use the numbered cash envelopes.

CASTLERIGG EASTER RETREAT 2022 // April 14-17th // £85 - Open to anyone in Year 10, up to 25 years old. A chance to journey together through the Easter Triduum. Fun, Faith, Food, Friendships, with a few walks in the Lake District thrown in! Castlerigg's open retreats are a great opportunity to make friends and deepen your faith in a warm and welcoming environment. You can sign up on the Castlerigg Manor website (google it!) or Email jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk for more information.