Introduction Lent provides an opportunity for repentance and new beginnings. This Lent, let us remember that God is with us as we orient our lives towards Gospel values.

First Reading Deuteronomy 26:4-10

We are to walk in the ways of God and listen to God's voice.

Second Reading Romans 10:8-13

Paul says that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

Gospel Luke 4:1-13

Jesus, like Moses before him, retreats into the wilderness, where he fasts for forty days and rejects the temptations put before him.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time:

MARCH

6 Jim Lowery 7 Helen Keefe, Bernard Baldwin
8 Thomas Joseph Dewhurst, Edna Melling 9 Joseph Woodcock
10 Joseph Burrow, Marilyn Wilson, Canon James McGann (pp),
Mary Wilson 11 Patricia McAvoy, William Birkett

Round Stained Glass Windows Appeal

Window Restoration Fund Total Raised to date £3708.50

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.

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

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You shall bow down in God's presence.

Deuteronomy 26:10

SATURDAY 5 March

5.30pm Vigil Jenny O'Farrell – Lately Dead (7477) This Mass will be live streamed from Parish website

SUNDAY 6 March - Parish Mass Books p153

9.00am (Lea Town) Birthday Remembrance – Michael Carruthers (7504)

10.30am People of the Parish

3.00pm Afternoon Devotions

6.00pm Members & Benefactors Living & Dead Lancashire Infirm Secular Clergy Fund (7463)

MONDAY 7 March

9.15am Patricia Kenyon (7304)

TUESDAY 8 March - NO MASS

WEDNESDAY 9 March

9.15am Maeve Benson (7173)

THURSDAY 10 March

8.15am (Lea Town) Paul Brown (7487)

FRIDAY 11 March - Lent Fast Day

9.15am Donor's Intention (7174)

SATURDAY 12 March

9.15 pm Holy Souls 5.30pm Vigil Gina Hunt– Lately Dead (7483)

Confessions Each Saturday from 4.30pm to 5.00pm.

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

First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

Tuesday evenings at 3.20 pm in the Annex at St Mary's church. 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.

Diocese of Lancaster Lourdes Pilgrimage 22 – 29 July 2022

Booking form can be downloaded from www.lancasterlourdes.co.uk. See noticeboard for details. Joe Walsh Tours 0161 8208790 or Email infor@joewalshtours.co.uk

<u>Day of Renewal Led by Sean Booth</u> Saturday 19 March 10am to 4pm. Please bring packed lunch, tea and coffee available. St Clare's Parish Hall, Fulwood, PR2 9HH.See noticeboard for details.

<u>Our Lady & St Edward's Ladies' Group</u> Thursday 10 March a presentation by Dr.Bill Shannon about "The Martyrs of Cottam: William and Blessed George Haydock.".The meeting in the Parish Centre starts at 8.00pm. Admission £2.00. Members are encouraged to do a Lateral flow test on the day of the meeting.

Lenten Almsgiving The Rwanda Group Trust, a registered Catholic charity based in Preston is seeking to raise funds for the poorest of the poor in Rwanda. The situation in Rwanda is very serious due to the effects of climate change, principally lack of rain and higher temperatures resulting in serious food shortages. Certain foods have to be imported and many families cannot afford the prices. We are therefore launching a Lenten appeal in which every penny raised will enable families to purchase essential items. Our funds also help with medical costs, housing and school fees. We have no paid employees or overheads. If you would like further information or to make a donation please contact: Michael Donlan (Trustee) Tel: 07864 990941 or email

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