Introduction As Christians we are called to fix our eyes on Christ and to trust in his promise to be with us on our journey of faith. **First Reading** Genesis 15:5-12. 17-18

God offers the promise of a future full of hope to Abram, who shows himself to be a person of faith.

Second Reading Philippians 3:17 - 4:1

We are called to remain faithful in our following of Christ.

Gospel Luke 9:28-36

On the mountain, Jesus is revealed to his disciples in his glory.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time:

MARCH

14 Eileen Cliffe, Richard Miller 15 Joan Farrelly, Eithne Wright

16 Patrick McGahran, Winifred Hartley, Lucy Turner

17 Cicely Greaves, Josie Begley, Teresa Nicholson18 Josephine Capas

Round Stained Glass Windows Appeal

Window Restoration Fund Total Raised to date £3708.50

<u>Synod 2022 – 2023 Survey</u> 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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WEBSITE: www.standrewscottam.org.uk

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

Second Sunday in Lent 13 March 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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SATURDAY 12 March 5.30pm Vigil Gina Hunt– Lately Dead (7483) This Mass will be live streamed from Parish website

SUNDAY 13 March - Parish Mass Books p156 9.00am (Lea Town) Hilda Critchley (7501) 10.30am People of the Parish 3.00pm Stations of the Cross & Benediction 6.00pm Members & Benefactors Living & Dead Lancashire Infirm Secular Clergy Fund (7464)

> MONDAY 14 March 9.15am Patricia Kenyon (7305) TUESDAY 15 March - NO MASS

WEDNESDAY 16 March 9.15am Clear & Senny Morris (7175)

THURSDAY 17 March – St. Patrick (Feast) 8.15am (Lea Town) Esther Dalton & Extended Family for Spiritual & Temporal Needs (7437)

FRIDAY 18 March

9.15am John Grogan (7176)

SATURDAY 19 March – St. Joseph (Solemnity)

9.15 pm Johnny Quinn (7177) 5.30pm Vigil Kathleen Sheldon (7502)

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 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.

Metanoia – Lent Series 2022 Thursday 17 March to 7 April 7.30pm to 9.30pm at St Wilfrid's Parish Centre. Celebrationg the 500th Anniversary of the conversion of St Ignatius of Loyola. A mixture of live talks, videos, prayers and reflections. www.metanoiaproject.co.uk

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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