

**Introduction** Lent is a time to reprioritise the place of Jesus Christ in our lives and to turn more deeply to him, trusting in his mercy and love.

**First Reading** Exodus 3:1-8. 13-15

The Lord hears the cry of his people's suffering and sends Moses to lead them to the promised land.

**Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 10:1-6. 10-12

Be vigilant in living the life of faith.

**Gospel** Luke 13:1-9

Jesus calls us to repent and patiently waits for our response.

Please pray for Chris Graham and Ray Butler, lately dead and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time:

### **MARCH**

**20** Douglas Middlemiss, Thomas Newton

**21** Edward & Edith, Jim Hall, Jim Martin, John Lowery,  
Eileen M<sup>c</sup>Kavanagh, Kathleen Sheldon

**22** Robert Ibson **23** Fr Henry Gillett (pp)

**24** Patricia & Eve Kelly, James Turnbull, Camille Johnston

**25** William Beesley

**26** Ursula Twist, Veronica Rimmer, John Egan

### **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.

**New edition of Catholic Voice available**

**WEBSITE: [www.standrewscottam.org.uk](http://www.standrewscottam.org.uk)**

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

### **Third Sunday in Lent 20 March 2022**

**Parish Priest: Canon Adrian J. Towers VF**

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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.

The Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator

Tel: 01772 728433. Website: [www.catholicsafeguarding.org.uk](http://www.catholicsafeguarding.org.uk)

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Leave it for another  
year; then perhaps  
it will bear fruit.

Luke 13:9

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**SATURDAY 19 March**

**5.30pm** Vigil Kathleen Sheldon (7502)

**This Mass will be live streamed from Parish website**

**SUNDAY 20 March - Parish Mass Books p160**

9.00am (Lea Town) Elizabeth Singleton,  
Jack Singleton & Deceased Members  
of the Singleton Family (7505)

10.30am People of the Parish

**3.00pm Stations of the Cross & Benediction**

6.00pm Holy Souls

**MONDAY 21 March**

9.15am Patricia Kenyon (7306)

**TUESDAY 22 March - NO MASS**

**WEDNESDAY 23 March**

9.15am Beatrice Brown (7488)

**THURSDAY 24 March**

**8.15am (Lea Town)** Fergus O'Farrell & Anne Hession (7178)

**FRIDAY 25 March**

**The Annunciation of The Lord (Solemnity)**

9.15am Desmond Ferguson (7179)

**SATURDAY 26 March**

9.15 pm Members & Benefactors Living & Dead  
Lancashire Infirm Secular Clergy Fund (7464)

5.30pm Vigil Doris Graham RIP (7484)

**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 Holy Communion**

Congratulations to all the children who made their First Confession last week. We were all very proud of them. First Holy Communion classes will begin on 26<sup>th</sup> April on Tuesday evenings at 3.20 pm in the Annex at St Mary's church. The First Holy Communion classes will then be on 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](http://www.lancasterlourdes.co.uk).

See noticeboard for details. Joe Walsh Tours 0161 8208790 or

Email [infor@joewalshstours.co.uk](mailto:infor@joewalshstours.co.uk)

**Day of Renewal Led by Sean Booth** 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. Celebrating the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the conversion of St Ignatius of Loyola. A mixture of live talks, videos, prayers and reflections. [www.metanoiaproject.co.uk](http://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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