Introduction: Isaiah proclaims God's words, "See, I am doing a new deed." So what is so new? Well, it is that God says there is "no need to think about what was done before". Why should we recall the past if God does not? God frees us from sin – let's celebrate that freedom.

First Reading Isaiah 43:16-21 - One phrase among many from this magnificent reading jumps out at us when God says, "there is no need to think about what was done before".

Second Reading Philippians 3:8-14

Paul reflects on what God's forgiveness means for us.

Gospel John 8:1-11 - A woman who has been caught in the act of committing a serious sin is not condemned by Jesus. Instead, she is told to go and sin no more.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time:

APRIL

- 4 James Roche 8 Nora Fern
- 9 Pam Haslem, Eileen Beckett

Round Stained Glass Windows Appeal

Window Restoration Fund Total Raised to date £3708.50

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

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

Fifth Sunday in Lent 3 April 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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Nor do I condemn you

John 8:11

SATURDAY 2 April

5.30pm Vigil Marie Mohan (7509)
This Mass will be live streamed from Parish website

SUNDAY 3 April - Parish Mass Books p176

9.00am (Lea Town) People of the Parish 10.30am Bob Fletcher (7394)

3.00pm Stations of the Cross & Benediction

6.00pm Members & Benefactors Living & Dead Lancashire Infirm Secular Clergy Fund (7466)

MONDAY 4 April

9.15am Patricia Kenyon (7307)

TUESDAY 5 April - NO MASS

WEDNESDAY 6 April

9.15am Private Intention (7181)

THURSDAY 7 April

8.00am (Lea Town) Departed Sisters of NB Time SABS Congregation(7507)

FRIDAY 8 April

9.15am Frank, Lucy and David Turner (7511)

SATURDAY 9 April

9.15 pm Elizabeth Carden – Lately Dead (7225)

5.30pm Vigil Chris graham (7515)

Confessions Each Saturday from 4.30pm to 5.00pm.

Lenten Film/Discussion Series

On 2 more Wednesdays in Lent 7pm - 8.15pm 6 April The Holy Spirit & the Church and The Gift of Faith. 13 April Finding True Freedom and The Meaning of Love

Easter Flowers

Donations towards flowers will be gratefully received.



St Andrew's Church Cleaning for Easter

We want the church to look beautiful for Easter.

If you can help with the cleaning and polishing please come along at 10am on Holy Saturday 16th April

<u>Holy Holy Week Volunteers</u> please sign the sheets on the back bench for Feet Washing, to read at the Maundy Thursday Mass, or at the Easter Vigil Mass.

St Mary's Palm Sunday please note the Mass at St Mary's on Palm Sunday will **begin at 8.30am**.

<u>First Holy Communion</u> classes will begins on Tuesday 26th April 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.

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

World Youth Day 2023 // The Youth Service have now launched the package for World Youth Day 2023. It's happening next August in Lisbon and the diocese are taking a small group of young adults. Check out castleriggmanor.com for more details.

<u>Castlerigg Manor are Hiring</u> // The Youth Service are looking for a Trainee Retreat Leader (Salary package £22,500) as well as a young Catholic to take on a live-in housekeeper role. Interested? Email jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk