

Introduction: The challenge of Lent is to let go of our pride, entrusting ourselves entirely to Jesus. He has shown us the way to overcome temptation and walk the path of eternal life.

First Reading Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7

Adam and Eve yield to temptation in the garden of Eden.

Second Reading Romans 5:12-19

Jesus' gift of divine life more than outweighs the loss suffered by Adam when he fell.

Gospel Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus sees off Satan in the wilderness and shows us how to walk in the path of life.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time:

FEBRUARY

26 Agnes Knowles **27** Ethel Hesmondhalgh **29** John Pollett

MARCH

2 Monica Norman **3** Robert Hollinghurst, Malcolm Phillips

4 Margaret Billington

Round Stained Glass Windows Appeal

Window Restoration Fund Total Raised to date **£4659.50**

WEBSITE: www.standrewscottam.org.uk

Day of Renewal Led by Fr Frankie Mulgrew, 'Come to me...' encountering the God who heals. Saturday 11th March 10am - 4pm

at St Clare's Church, Fulwood. Starts with Mass at 10am.

Please bring packed lunch, Tea & Coffee available.

For details contact Christine: 07745 009694.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2023

Please join Bishop Paul Swarbrick on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 21st – 28th July 2023.

The Youth Service will travel by coach 20 – 29th July 2023.

For further information please check out the Diocesan Pilgrimage

website: www.lancasterlourdes.co.uk or email

operationsdirector@lancasterlourdes.co.uk

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

First Sunday in Lent 26th February 2023

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

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**Not by bread alone are
you to live but by every
utterance that comes
from the mouth of God.**

Matthew 4:4

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SATURDAY 25 February

5.30pm Vigil Mass) Fr John Danson (7763)

This Mass will be live streamed from Parish website

SUNDAY 26 February - Mass Books – p142

9.00am (Lea Town) People of the Parish

10.30am Lucy Watson (sick) (7755)

3.00pm Stations of the Cross & Benediction

6.00pm Members & Benefactors Living & Dead

Lancashire Infirm Secular Clergy Fund (7723)

MONDAY 27 February - St. Gregory of Narek (Opt. Memorial)

9.15am Happiness & success in Sarah Hindle's

relocation to Worcester (7766)

TUESDAY 28 February - NO MASS

WEDNESDAY 1 March – St. David (Feast)

9.15am Sean Davy RIP (7761)

THURSDAY 2 March

8.15am (Lea Town)

FRIDAY 3 March – LENT FAST DAY

Day of Prayer for the Needy and Hungry of the World

9.15am

SATURDAY 4 March – St. Casimir (Opt. Memorial)

9.15am **NO MASS**

5.30pm (Vigil Mass) Guild of Our Lady of Ransom Intention (7767)

Confessions Each Saturday from 4.30pm to 5.00pm.

No confessions Saturday 4th March

CAFOD Family Fast Day Friday 3rd March

Lenten Wednesday Evenings at St Andrew's Cottam

Starting **THIS Wednesday 1 March at 7pm until 8pm.** Bishop Robert Barron's DVD series 'Catholicism'. Journey around the world and deep into the Catholic Faith in all its richness, history, beauty, goodness, and truth in breath taking, high-definition cinematography. Dive deeper into your spiritual journey of faith.

Aid to the Church in Need (Emergency aid for Ukraine) Provides food, clothing & shelter for those caught up in the war in Ukraine. Fr Philip Newbold, a retired priest who has helped with supply work in our parishes. Fr Philip has decided to use his time in Lent to support this cause, he will walk 10,000 paces per day for the 40 days in Lent. If you wish to support him, you can sponsor him online at www.justgiving.com/page/fr-philip-newbold-167 **OR** Sign the sponsor form at the back of church, money will be collected after Easter.



Welcome to Luca Joshua Juno-Baptiste
who will be baptised today.

Tea/Coffee & Light refreshments in the Haydock Room after 10.30am Mass. All welcome.

Sacramental Preparation 2023 Continues this **Tuesday 28 February**

All classes will take place at 3.20pm in St Mary's annex.

The children's First Reconciliation St Mary's church 3.20pm 7 March.

First Holy Communion classes: 21 March, 4 April and 18 April

Lenten Appeal Fr Placide in Cyangu Rwanda on behalf of the Rwanda Group Trust, a Preston based registered Catholic Charity. (We have no overheads and every penny raised goes directly to those in real need). "First of all I greet you. We thank you for the way you continue to take care of the poor in Rwanda. So now we have a big problem in Rwanda. We fear hunger, we have lacked rain, the sun shines a lot, the crops in the field are failing. Covid epidemic means goods in the market are expensive. The ones you help are our children, those who receive food, those needing medical treatment, those who receive housing and many others. We are begging for you again even though we know that the world economy has been disrupted everywhere." If you would like further information, or could make a donation to help a Rwandan family visit: www.rwandagrouptrust.blogspot.com or emailrwandagrouptrust.org@gmail.com or Michael Donlan (Trustee) 07864 990941