Introduction. God cares for us with infinite compassion. The Lord gathers us together as one family in our celebration of the Eucharist that we may be refreshed and renewed.

First Reading Exodus 19:2-6

The Lord makes Israel his very own people, a consecrated nation.

Second Reading Romans 5:6-11

Christ has reconciled and saved us through his death.

Gospel Matthew 9:36 – 10:8

Jesus sends out his disciples to labour in his harvest.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time:

JUNE

18 Margaret Bailey 19 Margaret Murray
20 Annie Heys, Richard Hughes
22 Elizabeth Stevens, Jenny Barnes, Marion Thompson
23 Terese McKealing, Thomas Cross, Mary Simpson,
John Anthony Towers, Norah Matthews, Bert Baines

Confirmation Masses

Bishop Paul will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on the following dates:-

The children at **St Mary & St Andrew's** this **Thursday 22**nd **June at 6.30pm** at Our Lady & St Edward's, Fulwood.

The children at **St Mary's, Lea Town**, on **Friday 30th June 2023 at 7.00pm at** Our Lady & St Michael's, Alston Lane.

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

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time 18th June 2023

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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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Ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers

Matthew 9:38

SATURDAY 17 June

5.30pm (Vigil Mass) William Potts (7827)

Mass will be live streamed from Parish website

SUNDAY 18 June - Mass Books - p91

9.00am (Lea Town) People of the Parish 10.30am Winifred Winders (7817)

No Afternoon Devotions 6.00pm Special Collection this weekend – Day for Life

MONDAY 19 June – St. Romuald (Opt. Memorial)

9.15am

TUESDAY 20 June - St. Alban (Opt. Memorial) - NO MASS

WEDNESDAY 21 June – St. Aloysius Gonzaga (Memorial) 9.15am

THURSDAY 22 June – St. John Fisher & St. Thomas More (Feast) 8.15am (Lea Town) Harry & Mildred Anderton (7821)

FRIDAY 23 June – St. Etheldreda (Audrey) (Opt. Memorial) 7.30am NB Time John Anthony Towers (7835)

SATURDAY 24 June – Nativity of St. John the Baptist (Solemnity)

9.15am

5.30pm (Vigil Mass) Mildred & Stephen Ogdin (7830)

Confessions Each Saturday from 4.30pm to 5.00pm.

<u>Mass Intentions</u> We are running short of Mass Intentions. All Mass offerings and intentions are most welcome. If you require a Mass on a particular day, please let Canon Adrian know or place the intention, offering and details in an envelope on the collection plate at the weekend Masses. Mass intention envelopes are at the back of church.

Confirmation Preparation Class Session Two

This Tuesday 20th June at 6pm in the Haydock Room, Cottam.

<u>Lourdes Petitions/Candle Donations</u> Deacon John Cliffe will be going on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes in July, if you have any petitions that you would like him to take or donations to light candles in Lourdes, please give them to Deacon John.

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

<u>Date for your diary:</u> Saturday 15th July 12:00pm Summer Mass and BBQ at St Andrew's. All proceeds will support the Christians in the Holy Land. Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Malcolm McMahon. See poster for details.

St Mary's Italian Evening We would love you to join us for our Italian Evening and quiz 7 July @ 7 pm Tickets are £14 each as we are serving Lorenzo's restaurant meat and vegetarian lasagna. Tickets on sale this Sunday.Buon Appetito

<u>Flower Festival</u> 30 June, 1 July (10am to 4pm) and 2 July (12noon to 4pm) Parish of the Guardian Angels, Blackpool, FY1 6RD are celebrating 90 years since the parish of St. John Vianney was erected. Entry £1.00.

CAFOD: update on the conflict in Sudan

Violent conflict continues in Sudan and thousands of people are running out of food, water and medicine. Working as part of the Caritas network, your previous donations to CAFOD are enabling our teams to provide practical help to families who have escaped to neighbouring countries, including South Sudan. Please join Pope Francis in praying for peace in Sudan. Find out more on the CAFOD website: https://cafod.org.uk/news/emergencies-news/sudan-conflict

JOIN THE TEAM AT CASTLERIGG MANOR

Castlerigg Manor is the Diocese of Lancaster Youth Retreat Centre. It's in Keswick in the Lake District and it's been part of the Catholic landscape in this part of the world for more than half a century. They are currently looking for a few people for their 2023-24 ministry team. They are looking for gap year volunteers as well as a Senior Programme Leader. For more info, check out http://castleriggmanor.com/join-the-team/ or Email jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk