

**Introduction** We cannot work miracles, but the miracles of Jesus are there to teach us something about what we can do. The meaning of the miracle is in what Jesus says, when asked by the leper to heal him. Jesus says, "I want to."

**First Reading** Leviticus 13:1-2. 44-46

There are always people who are excluded, but Christ is the great uniter.

**Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 10:31 – 11:1

There is no action too trivial to offer to the glory of God.

**Gospel** Mark 1:40-45

The harshness of the law excluding lepers prepares the way for the mercy of Christ.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time:

### **FEBRUARY**

**11** Mary Cross **13** Elizabeth Noblett

**15** Fr John Danson (pp), Joan Bradley,

**16** Kathleen Lord, John Pegg **17** Ann Newton

### **CAFOD Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal**

Donate to CAFOD's Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal  
at [cafod.org.uk/ipc\\_or](http://cafod.org.uk/ipc_or) or call 0303 303 3030

to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those most in need.

Your donation will help support aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter to those in need. Thank you for your prayers.

### **Lourdes Diocesan Pilgrimage 23 July to 30 July 2024.**

Please join Bishop Paul Swarbrick on the Diocesan Pilgrimage. Youth Section (Coach Travel - 22 July to 1 August) will travel by coach with an evening and a day sightseeing in Paris.

Email [youth@lancasterlourdes.co.uk](mailto:youth@lancasterlourdes.co.uk) for details.

For all other Pilgrims and for further information please check the Diocesan Pilgrimage Website [www.lancasterlourdes.co.uk](http://www.lancasterlourdes.co.uk) or email [operationsdirector@lancasterlourdes.co.uk](mailto:operationsdirector@lancasterlourdes.co.uk)

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

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

### **6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 11<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

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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.

Parish Safeguarding Representatives:

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He cured many who  
were sick.

Mark 1:34

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**SATURDAY 10 February**

5.30pm (Vigil) Christine Laking (8042)

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

**SUNDAY 11 February (PMB p137)**

**World Day for the Sick and the Unemployed**

9.00am(Lea Town) People of the Parish

10.30am Rose Taylor – Lately Dead (8050)

**3.00pm Afternoon Devotions & Benediction**

6.00pm A Sick Friend (8058)

**MONDAY 12 February**

9.15am Frank Rocks (8031)

**TUESDAY 13 February – NO MASS**

**ASH WEDNESDAY 14 February**

**Day of Fasting and Abstinence**

9.15am (Cottam) Members and Benefactors

Living & Dead LISCF (8012)

**7.00pm (Cottam) Miss A M Brown (8060)**

**THURSDAY 15 February**

8.15am (Lea Town) Frank Rocks (8032)

**FRIDAY 16 February**

9.15am) Kathleen Lord (7998)

**SATURDAY 17 February**

9.15am **NO MASS**

5.30pm (Vigil) Shirley Parker (8044)

**No Confessions** next Saturday

**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.

**Sacramental Preparation** All classes will take place at 3.20pm, apart from 19<sup>th</sup> March, see below) in St Mary's annex. We are looking forward to starting our preparation classes again this year.

**First Reconciliation classes** 27<sup>th</sup> February, 5<sup>th</sup> March

The children will make their First Reconciliation St Mary's church 3.20 pm on the 12<sup>th</sup> March.

**First Holy Communion classes**

19<sup>th</sup> March (**3.15pm to 5.15pm**), and 16<sup>th</sup> April

The children will make their First Holy Communion at St Mary's church during the 9 o'clock Mass on **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April**.

You are welcome to contact me via Canon Towers if you have any queries. We look forward to the privilege of guiding the children in their preparations. Jackie Fitzpatrick and Angela Pye.



**Welcome** to Jasmine Joshi who will be baptised today.

**Afternoon Club** This will be for all age groups. If you are interested in attending, please fill in a leaflet which are at the back of church.

**Parish SVP** Thank you for all the donations of non-perishable food and toiletries. We will continue to support our local food bank with your kind donations.

**HELPING HANDS at ST MARY'S SCHOOL** Helps families that are in urgent need. At the back of St Mary's church is our Helping Hands Box for any kind donations of nonperishable food and toiletries.

**The Roman Catholic Bishops of Lancaster**

As part of the celebrations of the centenary of the diocese, please join Bishop Paul Swarbrick for Mass at Boarbank Hall, Grange on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April at 10am**. This will be followed by a talk given by Paul Severn on the Roman Catholic Bishops of Lancaster; this is based on his book of the same name. Lunch will be served at 12.30pm, please advise of any special dietary or other requirements.

**There will be a charge of £10.00 for catering costs.** To book a place email [p.severn@freeuk.com](mailto:p.severn@freeuk.com)