Introduction. As followers of Christ, we are responsible not only for our journey of faith, but for that of our brothers and sisters as well.

First Reading Ezekiel 33:7-9 We can save one another's lives of faith. Second Reading Romans: 13:8-10 Love is the answer to everything. Gospel Matthew 18:15-20 Jesus teaches us to try to resolve our differences, knowing that he is always among us.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time:

SEPTEMBER

10 Margaret Bury, Ethel Bannister, Una Worrall
11 Michael Masheter, Ron Watts 12 William Green
13 Betty Hollinghurst 15 Clare Slater 16 Myra Simpson

Annual Pilgrimage to the Diocesan shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at Cleator Sunday 10 September 2023.at 3pm

The principal celebrant and preacher will be Bishop Paul Swarbrick. Our theme this year is 'Our Lady, Star of the Sea.'.

We will provide tea and coffee. People can bring their own packed lunch. As well as having a beautiful replica of the Lourdes grotto, we also have in the grounds of the shrine at Cleator statues of the Cure of Ars and St Therese of Lisieux. The pilgrimage will be an opportunity not only to honour Mary the Mother of God, but also these two great saints, and to ask their intercession for healing and consolation.

Mass Intentions 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.

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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 10th September 2023

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Tel: 01257 264445 johncliffe@standrewscottam.org.uk 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: Tony Murphy 07557 373534 (St Andrew's) Mike Fitzpatrick 07739 880965 (St Mary's) Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator www.catholicsafeguarding.org.uk

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Where two or more are gathered in my name, I am in the midst of them.

Matthew 18:20

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SATURDAY 9 September

5.30pm (Vigil Mass) Jim Lowery (7829)

Mass will be live streamed from Parish website

SUNDAY 10 September - Mass Books – p125 Education Day 9.00am (Lea Town) Mary & Eddy Fitzpatrick (7866) 10.30am Recovery of Lucy Eshareturi from her spinal stroke (7915) 6.00pm People of the Parish Special Collection for Catholic Education Services

MONDAY 11 September

9.15am

TUESDAY 12 September - NO MASS The Most Holy Name of Mary (Opt.Memorial)

WEDNESDAY 13 September St. John Chrysostom (Memorial) 9.15am Special birthday memories – Winnie Winders (7908) THURSDAY 14 September The Exaltation of The Holy Cross (Feast) 8.15am (Lea Town) Thanksgiving (7918)

> FRIDAY 15 September Our Lady of Sorrows (Memorial)

9.15am

SATURDAY 16 September Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian (Memorial)

9.15am Repose of the soul of Fr John Dobson (LISCF)(7902) 5.30pm (Vigil Mass) David Parker RIP (7907)

Confessions Saturday 4.30 - 5.00pm

No Afternoon Devotions & Benediction - Resumes in late September

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

Foodbank Donations – Our branch of the St. Vincent de Paul Society works with the multi-church foodbank, Share-It, Ingol. The foodbank needs food donations and we hope our parishes will help. There is a particular shortage of tins of meat (corned beef, mince, hot dogs, etc) and tinned fish. We've also had a sudden spike in requests for baby nappies, size 6. Other foods or toiletries are welcome but of course, not fresh or frozen items. Donations can be left in the basket at the back of church.

Donations of items, as well as enquiries from anyone interested in volunteering for a hour a week, can also be received at the Foodbank on Redcar Avenue. Ingol at opening times:

Mon , Tues 2.30-3-30, Wed 2.30-3-30, Thurs 10-1, Sat 10-11

Laudato Si, Care of our Common Home

On Tuesday 12 September 7pm, in the Haydock Room at St Andrew's, Sue Grubic a Diocesan Faith and Justice leader, will be hosting a meeting to inspire us for ways forward. All are welcome to attend. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me. Jackie Fitzpatrick via cotleanews@hotmail.com

Rwanda Group Trust Table Top Sales monthly in St. Anthony's Annexe, St. Anthony's Drive, We will have our own stall and charge £10 for anyone else who wishes to hire a table. Next date Saturday, 14 October 11am to 2pm. Future dates : 11 November / 9 December Empty your cupboards and boost your funds in time for Christmas!! Ring or email me, Bernadette, for more details and/or to book a table.Tel: 07734972897 grannyrazzle@sky.com Lancaster Diocese Faith & Justice Commission invite you to a 'Care of Creation' event on Saturday 7 October, 9.30 – 3.00pm at St Bernadette's Catholic Church, Bowerham Road, Lancaster, LA1 4HT. The theme of the event is 'Let Justice and Peace flow'. Guest speakers include: Sr Margaret Atkins, Dr Stephen Garsed, Dr Paul Kelly and John Paul de Quay. Tea and coffee will be provided but please bring your own lunch. For further information or to confirm your attendance at the event please contact Sue Grubic ldfjsue@gmail.com or text 07791444417