

Introduction Today's Gospel invites us to reflect that the Lord, who came down from heaven for our sake and for our salvation, calls everyone to work in his vineyard and so enter the kingdom of heaven.

First Reading Isaiah 55:6-9 - Isaiah preaches to the people, urging them to return to the Lord who is rich in forgiving.

Second Reading Philippians 1:20-24. 27

The apostle calls us to avoid anything in our everyday lives that would be unworthy of the Gospel.

Gospel Matthew 20:1-16 - Even at the eleventh hour the Lord calls people to work in his vineyard.

Please pray for Myra Simpson, lately dead and for all whose anniversaries occur about this time:

SEPTEMBER

20 William Powell, Mary Ellen Thompson **21** Mavis Tyrrell

22 Ron Carruthers, James Walmsley **23** Elsie Hardiker

24 Henry Rimmer, Fr Frank Hodson

25 Vincent Crook, Ann Lakeland

26 Fred Barton, Fr James Keville

Alpha Course We plan to run another course in January 2021.

St Mary & St Andrew's School Barton Virtual Open Day

Do you have child due to start school in September 2021?

If so, you are welcome to our virtual Open Day event 7th October.

Please telephone school on 01772 862335 to make a 1:1 telephone or zoom appointment with the headteacher, Mrs Roach. Looking forward to talking to you all.

Living Laudato Si': 'Your Parish and Your Planet' - Zoom Retreat 16-19 October (led from Boarbank Hall). No fee but donations welcome. Guest speakers and lots of practical advice. Email Sr Margaret Atkins on margaret@boarbankhall.org.uk

Congratulations to the winners in the AUGUST 100 Club Draw:

£100 Prize No 20 P. Parry

£50 Prize No 32 Canon Adrian **£25 Prize** No 19 M. Devine

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

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 20th September 2020

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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.

WEBSITE: www.standrewscottam.org.uk

The Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator

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Are you envious because I am generous?

Matthew 20:15

Parish Mass Book use suspended until further notice

SATURDAY 19th September

5.30pm (St Andrew's) Deceased Members of the Sewell Family
(6822)

This Mass is also live streamed from Parish website

SUNDAY 20th September

9.00am (St Mary's) People of the Parish
10.30am (St Andrew's) Albert & Cecilia Whalley (6931)
6.00pm (St Andrew's) Fr Geoff Cunliffe (6949)

MONDAY 21st September - St. Matthew (Feast)

9.15am (St Andrew's) Francis Chin (6947)

TUESDAY 22nd September - NO MASS

WEDNESDAY 23rd September

St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Memorial)

9.15am (St Andrew's) Stuart Chapple (6945)

THURSDAY 24th September

Our Lady of Walsingham (Memorial)

8.15am (St Mary's) Departed Souls of SABS (6948)

FRIDAY 25th September

9.15am (St Andrew's) Bridget Donnelly (6831)

SATURDAY 26th September

Sts. Cosmas & Damian (Opt. Memorial)

9.15am (St Andrew's) Fr Denis Paxman (6950)

5.30pm (St Andrew's) A Special Intention (6933)

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 back.

General Guidance

The following guidance should be following by everyone who attends either St Andrew's or St Mary's.

1. **PLEASE DO NOT VISIT THE CHURCH IF YOU HAVE ANY SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19 INCLUDING FEVER, PERSISTENT COUGH OR LOSS OF TASTE OR SMELL.**
2. You must not visit if you have been asked to shield or are in self-isolation.
3. **HAND SANITISERS** must be used on entry to, and exit from the church.
4. **FACE COVERINGS** must be worn by all members of the congregation.
5. **SOCIAL DISTANCING**, following government guidance of 1m plus, must be followed at all times.
6. All printed material, such as missals and hymn books, which are not intended for single use will not be available in the church.
7. There will be **NO CONGREGATIONAL SINGING** at Mass.
8. There is a maximum limit of people in the church which is determined not only by the number of people, but whether they are part of a family or bubble. Once the limit is reached you will be asked to attend a different service.
9. If you are able to attend a weekday Mass then you may consider this as an alternate to the weekend Mass. The obligation to attend Sunday Mass is still suspended and a weekday Mass will be quieter than the weekend.

[Registration – Online on the parish website preferred](#)

As a requirement of the Government's test and trace system we are required to hold details of all those who attend each of our services. The requirement is to hold these details for 21 days. There will be hard copies of the form available at church, but we would urge you to complete this online, either before you attend Mass, or on return. We would like to hold your details on file for longer than this so that we can contact you in the future in regard to parish activities and other such matters. If you are happy for this to occur, then please tick the appropriate box. We need to record this information for all services. However It is possible to indicate that you will normally attend a particular Mass, in which case you only need to register once, rather than each week. If you attend a weekday Mass, this information will be recorded on the day in church.