

Introduction: The New Testament is in no doubt about the ultimate kingship of Jesus Christ, but John's Gospel reminds us that his is a kingship "not of this world". Not for the first time, God incarnate turns the world upside down.

First Reading Daniel 7:13-14

Daniel's vision is one in which God conquers over all that is evil, cruel and abusive, and restores the triumph of goodness.

Second Reading Apocalypse 1:5-8

The word "apocalypse" may suggest drama, horror, vengeance and violent upheaval. But John's vision is one in which the enemies of God's purposes will be confounded, not by being overthrown but by realising the immensity of God's love.

Gospel John 18:33-37 - Jesus comes face to face with the greatest power in the world, with nothing but the weapon of truth as his protection. Salvation is accomplished by one who looks like a failure, but even the great empire of Rome cannot overcome the love and mercy of God.

A link to today's readings can be found on our website.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time:

NOVEMBER

20 Fred Clarkson, Wilf Gardner **21** Peter Taylor **24** Jacob Willett
25 Margaret Nicholson **27** May Waring, John Simpson

Round Stained Glass Windows Appeal The cost for the three windows is going to be about £30,000. Given this is such a beautiful and important parts of our church building, parishioners and friends of St Andrew's may like to contribute towards the cost of its repair. **This can be done by a donation direct to the parish, or on the donate page of the diocesan website. If you do this via the diocesan website, please state you wish your donation to go to St Andrew's, Cottam, windows repair.**

Window Restoration Fund Total Raised to date **£2823.50**

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

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

21st November 2021

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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

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To him who loves us and
has freed us by his blood be glory
and power forever.

Revelation 1:5-6

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SATURDAY 20th November

5.30pm Vigil Terry O'Farrell - Lately Dead (7396)

This Mass will be live streamed from Parish website.

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Youth Day (Special Collection for Youth Services)

9.00am (Lea Town) Bernard Oakes (7395)

10.30am People of the Parish

No Afternoon Devotions

6.00pm Marian Hallmarsh (7404)

MONDAY 22nd November – St. Cecilia (Memorial)

9.15am Adam Mercer (sick) (7403)

TUESDAY 23rd November – NO MASS

WEDNESDAY 24th November

Sts. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions (Memorial)

9.15am Bob Fletcher (7388)

THURSDAY 25th November

St. Catherine of Alexandria (Opt.Memorial)

8.15am (Lea Town) John Currie (7149)

FRIDAY 26th November

8.00am (NB Time) Margaret Hamilton (7150)

SATURDAY 27th November

9.15am NO MASS

5.30pm Vigil Westby/ Parkinson Family (7397)

40th Anniversary

Canon Adrian wishes to express his thanks to everyone for their prayers, good wishes, cards and gifts on the occasion of the Fortieth Anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood. Thank you also to all who worked so hard to make the Mass and the celebration afterwards such a memorable and happy occasion.

The Parish Books of Remembrance During November we pray in a special way for the faithful departed. The Remembrance Book is available at the back of each of our churches, for you to add names of loved ones not already listed.

Christmas Raffle - St Mary's, Lea Town. St Mary's Christmas Raffle. **Please note the date of the draw is 12th December** (not as stated on the ticket). in our church annex. This year we are raising money for new books for St Mary's school. Prizes include £50 and a fresh turkey from Helmes Farm Shop. Many thanks for your support with prize donations or by purchasing tickets. **There are St Mary's Raffle Tickets at the back of both churches. Please fill in stubs, and place both stubs and money in an envelope marked ST MARY'S RAFFLE, then put in the collection plate.**

ALL RAFFLE TICKETS & PRIZES MUST BE IN BY 5th DECEMBER.

Anointed New Youth Group for young people age 11 to 14 (in school years 7 to 9). Mondays in Term Time 6.30pm to 8.30pm in the Haydock Room, St Andrew's, Cottam. For more info contact Jennifer 07957 566741 or email jen@metanoiaproject.co.uk.

Castlerigg Manor Advent If you are in Year 10 upwards (up to age 25), or know anyone who is, you might be interested to know that bookings are now open for our Advent Retreat, it's a chance to make some friends, have fun, and reflect on what Advent is all about. There will be different streams for different age groups. Book at: <https://www.castleriggmanor.co.uk/advent>

OLSE Ladies Group Thursday 25th November, 8pm in Parish Centre. A presentation by Susan Douglass from the Friends of Winckley Square called "Pioneer Women of Winckley Square." Admission £2.00



Welcome to Callum & Carmen Tennant
who will be baptised this weekend.