

Introduction: This Sunday has been designated by the Church as the Sunday of the Word of God. It is a day for us to experience anew how the risen Lord opens up for us the treasury of his word and enables us to proclaim its unfathomable riches.

First Reading Nehemiah 8:2-6. 8-10

After their return to their homeland from exile, the people of Israel are moved to tears by the public reading of God's word.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:12-30 - St Paul teaches that we together are Christ's body, made up of many different parts.

Gospel Luke 1:1-1-4; 4:14-21

The beginning of Luke's Gospel: Jesus proclaims God's word and sets out his mission statement.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time:

JANUARY

23 John Powell **24** Vincent Philbin, Ellen Boulton

25 George Longton **26** Frank Turner, Mary Burrow

27 Sheila Barker, Lilian Singleton

28 Kathleen Gosling, Kathleen Parr

29 George Spencer, Annie Waring, Patricia Ethrington,
Francis Kerfoot, Vera Phoenix

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 **£3338.50**

WEBSITE: www.standrewscottam.org.uk

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

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 23 January 2022

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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

Tel: 01772 728433. Website: www.catholicsafeguarding.org.uk

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He has anointed me
to bring glad tidings.

Luke 4:18

SATURDAY 22 January

5.30pm Vigil Francis Xavier Curran (9th Anniversary) (7432)

This Mass will be live streamed from Parish website

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9.00am (Lea Town) Members & Benefactors Living & Dead Lancashire Infirm Secular Clergy Fund (7457)

10.30am People of the Parish

3.00pm Afternoon Devotions

6.00pm Mildred & Stephen Ogdin (7468)

MONDAY 24 January – St. Francis de Sales (Memorial)

9.15am Rt. Rev Patrick O'Donoghue (1st Anniversary)

TUESDAY 25 January - NO MASS

The Conversion of St Paul (Feast)

WEDNESDAY 26 January

St. Timothy & Titus (Memorial)

9.15am Ellen & John Hughes (7167)

THURSDAY 27 January - St. Angela Merici (Opt. Memorial)

8.15am (Lea Town) Eileen & Colum Shields (7168)

FRIDAY 28 January – St. Thomas Aquinas (Opt. Memorial)

9.15am Mary Ann O'Neill & Seamus Dillon (7169)

SATURDAY 29 January

9.15 am **NO MASS**

5.30pm Vigil Vera & Osbourne Phoenix (7471)

No Confessions on Saturday 29th January

Synod 2022 – 2023 Survey The Lancaster Diocese have prepared a survey which gives you the opportunity to have your say! It only takes a few minutes, you don't have to leave your name, and we would love to know what you think - good or bad! Follow the link from the parish website.

APF Red Mission Boxes (St Andrew's) Thank you for your
Please collect your boxes from the back bench.

St Andrew's Parishioners:- As you know donating to the collection (Parish General), Special Collections(2nd Collection) and for Candles, Booklets etc can now be paid by credit/debit card (Contactless or via PIN) and by Apple Pay on the digital collection machine at the back of the church or by clicking the 'Donate' button on the parish website.

IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, PLEASE WILL YOU DONATE IN THIS WAY RATHER THAN BY CASH. You can also register the card you wish to use for Gift Aid, you only need to do this once, ideally on the website but it is also possible to do this on the machine. If you Gift Aid your donation in this way, you will no longer need to use the numbered cash envelopes.

OLSE Ladies' Group Thursday 27 January at 8pm in the Parish Centre, a musical presentation by Graham Jackson called "Colour my World." Admission £2.00. Covid precautions will be in place and you are recommended to do a Lateral Flow Test on the day of the meeting.

The Catholic Teaching Alliance School Direct Teacher Training Programme Teacher Training courses starting September 2022

The Catholic Teaching Alliance, based in Preston, is now accepting applications for our 1 year PGCE with QTS (qualified teacher status) teacher training courses. Minimum requirements are GCSEs in Maths and English (and Science for primary training), plus an honours degree. Teacher training is available in all phases (PGCE with QTS):

- Early Primary (3-7 years)
- General Primary (5-11 years)
- Secondary (11-16 years, in Preston or Blackburn)
- Secondary with post 16 (14-19 years)

Please contact us for further information, or to book onto one of our online information sessions, call 01772 326931 or email ctaschooldirect@olchs.lancs.sch.uk

Website: <https://www.catholic-teaching-alliance.org/faq.html>