

Introduction We can always change. There is no value in merely talking about how we are going to do good. What matters is that we do it.

First Reading Ezekiel 18:25-28

It is right that we receive the just rewards of our actions, good or evil.

Second Reading Philippians 2:1-11

In our minds we must be like Christ Jesus, who emptied himself that he might be raised by God in glory.

Gospel Matthew 21:28-32

We receive the reward of true righteousness.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time:

OCTOBER

- 1 Charles Edward Power
- 2 Cecilia Whalley, Alice McCauley
- 3 Catherine Connolly
- 4 Robert & Elizabeth Haslem, Bernard Chambers
- 5 Monica Healy, Joan Hynes
- 6 Doris Bond
- 7 Ellen (Nell) Fellows, Agnes Fletcher

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.

WEBSITE: www.standrewscottam.org.uk

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

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 1st October 2023

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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.

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Christ emptied himself,
taking the nature
of a slave.

Philippians 2:7

SATURDAY 30 September

5.30pm (Vigil) (Cottam) Fr John Mackie (7881)

Mass will be live streamed from Parish website

SUNDAY 1 October

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (PMB page 134)

9.00am(Lea Town) People of the Parish

10.30am Happy repose of Kathleen Deary (7896)

3.00pm Afternoon Devotions and Benediction

6.00pm Repose of the soul of Fr John Dobson (LISCF)
(7905)

MONDAY 2 October

The Holy Guardian Angels (Memorial)

9.15am Edward Bradley (7931)

TUESDAY 3 October - NO MASS

WEDNESDAY 4 October

St. Francis of Assisi (Memorial)

9.15am John Durkin (7711)

THURSDAY 5 October

Dedication of the Cathedral (Feast)

8.15am (Lea Town) Successful eye operation (DK) (7930)

7.00pm (Cottam) Recitation of the Holy Rosary

The Rosary will be live streamed from Parish website

FRIDAY 6 October

9.15am Bernard & Mary Boylan (7924)

SATURDAY 7 October – St. Bruno (Opt. Memorial)

9.15am Christians of the Holy Land

5.30pm (Vigil) (Cottam) Fr Joe Diskin (7879)

Confessions Saturday 4.30pm to 5.00pm

Praying the Rosary October is the month dedicated to the Holy Rosary. Please join Canon Adrian to pray the Rosary, either in St Andrew's or on livestream, at 7.00pm on the Thursdays of October.

Tea/Coffee & Light refreshments 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

CAFOD Family Fast Day appeal – Harvest Collection next weekend. Envelopes distributed at Masses this weekend.

Dr Nasha's mobile medical clinic gets life-saving help to where it is needed most, fast – so when her team arrived in Meera's village in Pakistan after it had been destroyed by flooding, Meera rushed to the clinic to get her children the treatment they needed. Donate to CAFOD next weekend so that more families can get the expert help they need. Donations also possible online at cafod.org.uk

Lancaster Diocese Faith & Justice Commission invite you to a 'Care of Creation' event this 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 ldfsue@gmail.com or text 07791444417

Honey from the hives at St Mary's. £9.00 for a 1lb jar. Please see Andrew Fowler after Mass or contact him on 07914 751020