

Introduction: Let us be inspired by God's power and mercy to value God's gifts and share our wealth and blessings for the sake of the common good.

First Reading 2 Kings 4:42-44 - Instead of using an offering of food for himself, as he would be entitled to do, Elisha tells his servant to give the food to the people.

Second Reading Ephesians 4:1-6
The Spirit of God brings unity and peace and calls on us to be generous and gentle with one another.

Gospel John 6:1-15 - The story of Jesus feeding thousands of hungry people who had come to listen to him.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time:

JULY

30 James Gardner, Terry Entwistle, Mary Moore

31 Rose Masheter, Jim Cookson

AUGUST

1 The Green Family **2** Joseph Allen **3** Teresa Begley

Mass Intentions Canon Adrian has just a very few Mass intentions left, required for specific dates, which explains why there are several Masses being celebrated this week with no Mass offerings or Intentions attached. 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 of church.

Gift Aid This makes such a difference to our Parishes' income at no extra cost to you. If you are a UK taxpayer we can claim 25p for every £1 you give. Please consider taking out a Standing Order, or if at St Andrew's you can register a payment card to use on the card reader, either online or the reader itself.

WEBSITE: www.standrewscottam.org.uk

Parishes of St Andrew & Blessed George Haydock, Cottam, and St Mary, Lea Town Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time 28th July 2024

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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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There is a boy here who
has five barley loaves
and two fish.

John 6:9

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SATURDAY 27th July

5.30pm Vigil Mass Michael Benton (8168)

This Mass will be live streamed from Parish website

SUNDAY 28th July - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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9.00am (Lea Town) People of the Parish

10.30am James Cookson (8179)

Afternoon Devotions and Benediction today

at 3pm at St Andrews

6.00pm Marie Hothersall (8192)

MONDAY 29th July

Sts. Mary, Martha & Lazarus - Memorial

9.15am Cottam

TUESDAY 30th July - NO MASS

WEDNESDAY 31st July

St. Ignatius of Loyola - Memorial

9.15am Anthony Doherty (for successful treatment) (8190)

THURSDAY 1st August

St. Alphonsus - Memorial

8.15am (Lea Town)

FRIDAY 2nd August

9.15am Cottam

SATURDAY 3rd August

9.15 am **NO MASS**

5.30pm Vigil Mass The Watt Family RIP (8188)

No Confessions on Saturday 3rd August

Afternoon Devotions and Benediction There will be no afternoon Devotions and Benediction in August.

Castlerigg Manor Open Day Sunday September 15th. Doors open at Middy. Mass with Bishop Paul at 3pm. A great chance to visit Castlerigg and hopefully have a bit of fun!

Open Weekends at Castlerigg This September, Castlerigg are having two weekends for adults and families. September 6-8th will be a 'quiet weekend' for adults hopefully providing a chance to get away from it all and enjoy Keswick and the Lakes. There will be Mass on site. Then, on September 27-29th, there will be an open weekend for adults and families. Again, there will be Mass on site, plus a quiz night for the adults too. Book online at Castleriggmanor.com or call 017687 72711.

The Knights of St. Columba are the largest lay Order of Catholics in the UK and have been serving the Church and communities for over 100 years.

If you would like the opportunity to help fundraise for charitable causes and "make a difference", to have a purpose in life and make lifelong friends, then come and join us!

To find out more about the Knights of St. Columba contact Andrew Fowler on 07914 751020 or Philip Wilcock on 07710 225868 or go to www.ksc.org.uk.

St Walburge's Restoration Project Once again this summer there's the chance to climb St. Walburge's spire and have a guided tour of the church. The dates are 27th July, 3rd and 10th August, 2-5pm. Tickets are available online at

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/stwalburgesshrinechurch/1316985>
All proceeds to the restoration project, particularly phase two of the roof.

Afternoon Club The club meets each **Tuesday** at 1.15pm, in the Haydock Room, Cottam. Prize bingo and refreshments. There will be a charge of 50p per book with no charge for refreshments.