

**Introduction:** On this World Communications Day, we pray for the spread of the Gospel. We prepare for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost next weekend. We ask the Lord to breathe his Spirit, to make the face of the earth come alive.

**First Reading** Acts 7:55-60

St Stephen forgives those who put him to death. His prayer and courageous witness to his faith begin to open the heart of Saul.

**Second Reading** Apocalypse 22:12-14. 16-17. 20

The Lord Jesus invites people to turn to believe in him, the living water, and welcomes them into the banquet of heaven.

**Gospel** John 17:20-26

Jesus prays for his followers to be closely united and witness to him by the love they show to others in the world.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur about this time:

**MAY**

**31** Pamela Doyle

**JUNE**

**1** Fr John Conway, Sr Stanislaus, Lawrence Dunnagan, John Noblett

**2** Patricia Beesley, Mary Singleton **3** Marcella Gilligan **4** Kath

Swarbrick, Patrick Morrison, Teresa Clarkson **6** Margaret Welton

**7** Thomas Grimshaw, Richard Salisbury

**Centenary Lourdes Diocesan Pilgrimage 23<sup>rd</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

Please join Bishop Paul Swarbrick on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes during this Diocesan Centenary Year.

For further information please check the Diocesan Pilgrimage Website [www.lancasterlourdes.co.uk](http://www.lancasterlourdes.co.uk) or email [operationsdirector@lancasterlourdes.co.uk](mailto:operationsdirector@lancasterlourdes.co.uk)

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**Parishes of  
St Andrew & Blessed George Haydock, Cottam,  
and St Mary, Lea Town  
Seventh Sunday of Easter  
1<sup>st</sup> June 2025**

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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.

**Parish Safeguarding Representatives:**

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Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator [www.catholicsafeguarding.org.uk](http://www.catholicsafeguarding.org.uk)

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I am the Alpha and  
the Omega.

Revelation 22:13

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**SATURDAY 31<sup>st</sup> May**

5.30pm Vigil Mass Special Intention (GH) (8412)

**This Mass will be live streamed from Parish website**

**SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup> June** (New Missals page 872)

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

9.00 am (Lea Town) Canon Peter Draper (Golden Jubilee of Ordination) (8464)

10.30am Cottam People of the Parish

**Afternoon Devotions & Benediction today at St Andrew's at 3.00pm**

6.00pm Cottam Patrick & Delia Durkin (8358)

**MONDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> June**

**Sts. Marcellinus & Peter – Opt. Memorial**

9.15 am Cottam Mary Singleton (8350)

**TUESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> June**

**St. Charles Lwanga & Companions - Memorial**

9.15am Cottam - **NO MASS**

**WEDNESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> June**

9.15am Cottam In Memory of Mrs Lesley Jean Eastham (8461)

**THURSDAY 5<sup>th</sup> June**

**St. Boniface - Memorial**

8.15am Lea Town Deceased Members of SABS & Benefactors (8460)

**FRIDAY 6<sup>th</sup> June**

**St. Norbert – Opt. Memorial**

9.15am Cottam Neil Power – recently deceased (8462)

**SATURDAY 7<sup>th</sup> June**

9.15am Cottam Holy souls

5.30pm Cottam Vigil Mass Thomas Singleton (8379)

**Confessions** Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June

**Mass Intentions** Canon Adrian has just a very few Mass intentions left, required for specific dates. 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.

**Message From Fr. Philip**

The Syrian Refugees and the Displaced Lebanese thank Canon Towers and the parishes of St. Andrew, Cottam and St. Mary, Lea Town for their donations to Aid to the Church in Need project in Zahleh, Lebanon.

St. Andrew & Blessed George Haydock, Cottam donated £505.00

St. Mary, Lea Town donated £170.00. Thank you.

The project aims to feed 1500 Refugees each weekday and with special care and attention to the Sick, Elderly and Infirm. Aid to the Church in Need advises that 10 euros (roughly £10) will feed ONE person for ONE week.

The total raised is £9,100.20 Thank you.

Fr. Philip will offer three Masses for the intentions and well-being of all benefactors.

In Christ, Fr. Philip

**Confirmations 2025**

Preparation classes are currently taking place on a Monday afternoon during term time at St Mary's School 3.15pm to 4.30pm. We will be joining Our Lady & St Edward's Parish for Service of Confirmation which is to take place on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2025 at 6.30pm.

**Date for your Diary - Parish Social Evening**

Indian Evening is Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June in the Haydock room. Indian Food. Ticket price £15.00 available after weekend Masses. Arrive from 6.30pm, meal will be served at 7pm.

**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.