

Introduction: The journey to our heavenly home is a journey of faith. We gather as a community of those who believe, giving thanks for the treasure that we have received, committing ourselves to pass it on to those who come after us.

First Reading Wisdom 18:6-9 - The people expected the virtuous to be saved and their enemies to be punished.

Second Reading Hebrews 11:1-2. 8-19
It was faith in God's promises that enabled Abraham to leave his home in search of a new city founded, designed and built by God.

Gospel Luke 12:32-48 - Faithful servants are ready for the master's return.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur about this time

AUGUST

11 Pauline Elizabeth Kelly **13** Elizabeth Evelyn Bernie, Nigel Mark Whalley **14** Jack Valentine **15** John Bisby **16** James Michael McEnnerney

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.

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.

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Parishes of St Andrew & Blessed George Haydock, Cottam, and St Mary, Lea Town Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 10th August 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.

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In this you glorified us
whom you summoned.

Wisdom 18:8

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SATURDAY 9th August

5.30pm Vigil Mass In thanksgiving for the marriage of
Rebecca Lord & Michael McCullough (8506)

This Mass will be live streamed from Parish Website

SUNDAY 10th August

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (New Missals page 940)

9.00 am (Lea Town) Celebrant's Intention

10.30am Cottam People of the Parish

No Afternoon Devotions and Benediction today

6.00pm Cottam Holy Souls

MONDAY 11th August

St. Clare - Memorial

9.15 am Cottam

TUESDAY 12th August

St. Jane Frances de Chantal - Opt. Memorial

9.15am Cottam **NO MASS**

WEDNESDAY 13th August

St. Pontianus & St. Hippolytus - Opt. Memorial

9.15am Cottam Eileen Seaward (8507)

THURSDAY 14th August

St. Maximilian Kolbe - Memorial

8.15am (Lea Town)

11.00am Cottam Funeral Service – Helen Porter

FRIDAY 15th August

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Solemnity

9.15am Cottam Thanksgiving (JP) (8512)

7.00pm Cottam People of the Parish

SATURDAY 16th August

St. Stephen of Hungary – Opt. Memorial

9.15am Cottam Christians of the Holy Land

5.30pm Cottam Vigil Mass Henry (Harry) Finn – Anniversary (8509)

Confessions Saturday 16th August 4.30pm – 4.55pm at St Andrew's



Welcome

Larsa Snailham who will be baptised today at
St Andrew's

Friday 15th August is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation to attend Mass. Masses are at 9.15am and 7pm at St Andrew's.

Eucharistic Ministers

Deacon John Cliffe will be celebrating a Holy Hour at St Andrew's on Tuesday evening 19th August at 7pm for all existing Eucharistic Ministers and also the newly asked to be Ministers. All will be shown what to do and commissioned. This is for both parishes St Andrew's and St Mary's. If you cannot attend please let Deacon John know.

The Martyr-Saints of the North West, 12-14 September 2025

Join us for this weekend studying some of the Reformation-era Martyrs of the North West region. Part retreat, part biographical, the weekend will be led by Mgr John Allen of Salford Diocese, who has recently published a history of the Diocese with a forward by Eamon Duffy.

For more information and to book:

<https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-martyr-saints-of-the-north-west/>

Thank You from Stella Maris

Thank you to all parishioners who gave generously to the special collection on Sea Sunday. St Andrew's total was £203.51 and St Mary's £41.70. Your generous gifts will ensure that Stella Maris chaplains can continue to be a friend of seafarers and fishers in times of need. To find out more about how your support helps those who live and work at sea, please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk

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.