

Introduction: The message of today's Mass is that trust in God is at the heart of our lives as Christians.

First Reading 2 Kings 5:14-17

Cured of leprosy in the River Jordan, Naaman takes some soil of Israel home with him so that he can worship in his own land the God of Israel.

Second Reading 2 Timothy 2:8-13

Paul may be in chains but that will never be the fate of the word of God.

Gospel Luke 17:11-19

Of ten lepers cured by Jesus, only one returns to give thanks: Jesus praises his faith.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur about this time

OCTOBER

12 George Connolly **13** George Walker **14** Alice Green, Peter Bond, Francis Procter, Joseph Bernie **15** Patrick Gilligan, Anthony Gilligan
16 William Cliffe, Mary Wallbank, Robert Fletcher **17** Paul McMurrough, Richard Barrie Southworth
18 Mary Agnes Lowery, Clare Ainsworth

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
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
12th October 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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The word of God
is not chained.

2 Timothy 2:9

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SATURDAY 11th October

5.30pm Vigil Mass Rimmer Family (8529)

This Mass will be live streamed from Parish Website

SUNDAY 12th October

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

(New Missals page 976)

9.00 am (Lea Town) People of the Parish

10.30am Cottam In memory of Jim & Mary Lowery (8538)

Afternoon Devotions and Benediction today at 3.00pm at St Andrews

6.00pm Cottam Holy Souls

MONDAY 13th October

St. Edward the Confessor - Opt. Memorial

9.15 am Cottam St Jude (8556)

TUESDAY 14th October

St. Callistus I - Opt. Memorial

9.15am Cottam **NO MASS**

WEDNESDAY 15th October

St. Teresa of Jesus (Avila) - Memorial

9.15am Cottam John Cookson (8550)

THURSDAY 16th October

St. Hedwig - Opt. Memorial

8.15am (Lea Town) For a very special Intention gratefully received (8557)

FRIDAY 17th October

St. Ignatius of Antioch - Memorial

7.30am NB Time Cottam Winifred & William Fowler (8551)

SATURDAY 18th October

St. Luke - Feast

11.30am (Cathedral) Diocesan Centenary Mass – Ticket Only

5.30pm Cottam Vigil Mass Bill Beesley (Birthday memories) (8500)

No Confessions next Saturday 18th October.

Today is a Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their Families, please remember them in your prayers.

Do you know someone who might be interested in becoming a Catholic?

Continuing **this Wednesday 15th October** 7.00pm – 8.00pm at St Andrew's there will be the opportunity to learn more about the Catholic Faith and preparation for those who wish to become Catholics. **It is also open to anyone wanting to know more about our Faith.**

Visit of Nuncio to Ladyewell

His Excellency, Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendia, Apostolic Nuncio to Great Britain, will pay a visit to Ladyewell Shrine on **Friday, 17th October 2025 at 10.00 am**. He will be accompanied by Bishop Paul Swarbrick. The visit will include the recitation of the Holy Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, both to be led by the Nuncio himself. This is a moment of grace for our local Church and would be wonderful to have as many as possible gathered in prayer at Ladyewell on this special occasion.

Day of Renewal – ‘Being Guided by the Holy Spirit’

Led by Fr. Chris Thomas on **Saturday 18th October 2025**, 10am to 4pm. The day starts with Mass at 10am at St Clare's Church Parish Hall. Please bring a packed lunch, tea and coffee available. For further information contact Christine Tel: 07745 009694 or Annette Tel: 07954 429333.

Family & Group Stays at Castlerigg Manor this October Half Term

Castlerigg Manor is a Retreat Centre in the Lake District, owned by the Diocese of Lancaster and they are opening their doors to family groups, individuals and other small groups once again during October Half Term (**Oct 27th-31st**). A good option for anyone looking for a budget get-away in a beautiful part of the country.

Book at <https://castleriggmanor.com/stay-with-us/> or contact director@castleriggmanor.co.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.