

Introduction. As followers of Christ, we are responsible not only for our journey of faith, but for that of our brothers and sisters as well.

First Reading Ezekiel 33:7-9

We can save one another's lives of faith.

Second Reading Romans: 13:8-10

Love is the answer to everything.

Gospel Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus teaches us to try to resolve our differences, knowing that he is always among us.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

SEPTEMBER

5 Margaret Rowe **6** Joseph Mercer, Lionel Dutton **8** Jack Basley, Joseph Rainford **10** Margaret Bury, Ethel Bannister, Una Worrall
11 Michael Masheter, Ron Watts **12** William Green

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.

WEBSITE: www.standrewscottam.org.uk

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

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

6th September 2026

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Baptisms and Marriages by Arrangement.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday (4.30pm to 4.55pm) 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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Where two or more are
gathered in my name,
I am in the midst of them.

Matthew 18:20

*Liturgy Training Publications,
art by Julie Lonneman*

SATURDAY 5th September

5.30pm Cottam Vigil Mass Bob Wheelhouse KHS RIP (8810)

This Mass will be live streamed from the Parish Website

SUNDAY 6th September

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(New Missals page 396)

9.00am (Lea Town) Deceased Members of Corrigan Family (8821)

10.30am Cottam People of the Parish

Afternoon Devotions and Benediction today at St Andrew's at 3pm

6.00pm Cottam Repose of the soul of Fr Michael O'Leary
(Salford) (8832)

MONDAY 7th September

9.15 am Cottam Gerald Dickinson (8836)

TUESDAY 8th September

NO MASS

NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - Feast

WEDNESDAY 9th September

St. Peter Claver - Opt. Memorial

9.15am Cottam Tanveer Khan (sick) (8840)

THURSDAY 10th September

8.15am Lea Town Donor's Intention (8837)

FRIDAY 11th September

9.15am Cottam Liam Hamilton (8838)

SATURDAY 12th September

The Most Holy Name of Mary – Opt. Memorial

9.15am Cottam **NO MASS**

5.30pm Cottam Vigil Mass Geraldine Hyde (8827)

No Confessions next Saturday 12th September.

Next Sunday is Education Day there is a special collection for Catholic Education Services.



Welcome

Phoebe Stowell who will be baptised today at St Andrew's.

Course on Prayer continuing this Friday 11th September in the Haydock Room at St Andrew's.

The Adventure of Prayer:

How to offer your sufferings to God – 11th September

Praying to the Saints – 18th September

Praying to Mary and Praying the Rosary – 25th September

CAFOD school volunteers needed! Could you visit your local Catholic school to **talk about the work of CAFOD**? We are looking for **volunteers** to deliver school assemblies and workshops and inspire children and young people to make a difference and take action. For further information please contact Anna Letizia on **07710 094449** or email aletizia@cafod.org.uk

Mass for Healthcare Workers

All those working in healthcare (doctors, nurses, pharmacists, receptionists, porters, chaplains and many more) are invited to Mass with our bishop on Saturday 17th October at 12.15 in Lancaster Cathedral. The bishop will celebrate a votive Mass of St Luke, the patron saint of doctors, praying for all those in our diocese who work in healthcare and all those they care for. There will be a chance to meet up with other Catholic healthcare workers over a cup of tea in the social centre afterwards.

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.