

Introduction We belong to the communion of saints, that long tradition of faithful men and women who have lived the Gospel with joy and hope. We pray today for the grace to continue this tradition of faith and love.

First Reading: Apocalypse 7:2-4. 9-14

The vision of John: a huge crowd made up of those from every nation who join in the victory celebration for God.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

We are the children of God our Father. Our hope is to be like God, because we will see him as he really is.

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

In the Beatitudes, Jesus lays out the new law for the kingdom: a new way to be like him, a model for a renewed humanity.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

NOVEMBER

1 Catherine Green, Jessie McGaharan, Nadia Farrelly, Richard Miller, Joseph Reeder Melling, Noel Hogan **2** Shirley Birkett **3** Robert & Ann Dixon, Mary Davies & Davies Family **4** Rt Rev Thomas Edward Flynn, Albert Green **6** Frederick Logan **7** Ellen Clarkson

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.

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.

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

All Saints Day

1st November 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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Blessed are the meek, for
they will inherit the land.

Matthew 5:5

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SATURDAY 31st October

5.30pm Cottam Vigil Mass Rimmer Family (8882)

This Mass will be live streamed from the Parish Website

SUNDAY 1st November

All Saints Day - Solemnity

(New Missals page 1066)

9.00am (Lea Town)

10.30am Cottam People of the Parish

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

6.00pm Cottam

MONDAY 2nd November

All Souls Day

(Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed)

9.15 am Cottam Repose of the souls of Shirley & Bill Birkett (8866)

7.00pm Cottam Holy Souls

TUESDAY 3rd November

St. Winefride – Opt. Memorial

NO MASS

WEDNESDAY 4th November

St. Charles Borromeo - Memorial

9.15am Cottam

THURSDAY 5th November

8.15am Lea Town

FRIDAY 6th November

9.15am Cottam Philip Harrison SJ (Tertianship - Donor's Int) (8878)

SATURDAY 7th November

St. Willibrord - Opt. Memorial

9.15am Cottam Broughton Catholic Charitable Society (November Intention)

5.30pm Cottam Vigil Mass James Sheldon (8860)

Confessions next Saturday 7th November 4.30pm-4.55pm at St Andrew's.

RCIA Course

Continuing this Friday 6th November 7.00pm–8.00pm in the Haydock Room.

All Saints & All Souls Days Today Sunday 1st November is All Saints Day. Monday 2nd November, is All Souls Day. On that day, in addition to the 9.15 a.m. Mass, there will be a Mass at 7.00 p.m. to give as many people as possible the opportunity to attend Mass and pray for the Faithful Departed, especially our loved ones.

All Souls Day Indulgence and Cemetery Indulgence See notice at the back of church for information about how these indulgences can be gained for the Holy Souls.

Books of Remembrance During November we pray in a special way for the faithful departed. The Book of Remembrance will be on the sanctuary throughout the month. The Remembrance Book is available at the back of each of our churches, for you to add names of loved ones not already listed.

Annual Cemetery Masses Sunday 8th November.

St Mary's Lea Town the 9.00am Mass

St Andrew's Cottam Mass at 3.00pm followed by tea/coffee in the Haydock Room

Please inform relatives and friends who may not live in our parish but who have loved ones buried in our cemeteries.

Night Vigil – National Eucharistic Procession 2026 Jesus Youth UK warmly invites you to a Night Vigil at St Mary's, Lea Town, on Sunday, 8th November 2026, starting at 9:00 pm, as part of the National Eucharistic Procession. Join us for a special time of prayer and Eucharistic Adoration as we gather to encounter Jesus and grow together in faith.

Dates for your Diary at St Mary's Christmas Raffle following 9am Mass **Sunday 6th December**, Carol Service **Friday 11th December**, Wreath Making **Sunday 13th December** following 9am Mass.