

Introduction Today we hear about God's beautiful commandment of love. We are instructed to love God and our neighbour. Let us learn about God's generous love and consider ways to be more loving ourselves and as a parish community.

First Reading Exodus 22:20-26 - An instruction to look after strangers and avoid exploiting those who are poor.

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

Paul praises the Thessalonians for their faith and love of God, and their good example for others.

Gospel Matthew 22:34-40 - Jesus teaches that we are called to love God and to love our neighbour as ourselves.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur about this time:

OCTOBER

- 25** Joseph Miller, Joseph Allen, Norman Hodgkinson,
25 Samuel Sellers **26** Elizabeth Mercer, Eileen Rose Beatson
27 John Barry Dilworth, Peter Gudgeon
28 June Knowles, Bernard Gillies
29 Clive Matthews, Marjorie Richardson **30** Ann Pollett

Do you have a child due to start school in September 2021?

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School Lea Town 'Open Days'

Will be holding a block of 'Open Days' w/c 9th November 2020. We will be offering bookable slots in a Covid secure environment outside of school hours. All visits will be strictly by appointment only and will be offered from 4.00 - 5.30 pm. Should you require any additional information or to book an appointment please feel free to contact the headteacher Mrs Brogden or Mrs Lofthouse 01772 729881

For a virtual tour video <https://www.lea-st-marys.lancs.sch.uk/>

The Parish Books of Remembrance During November we pray in a special way for the faithful departed. Owing to the current restrictions if you wish to add names of loved ones not already listed, please write Remembrance Book and their name on a piece of paper and place in the collection plate.

Rosary Rally. Ladyewell Shrine and Fernyhalgh will represent Lancaster Diocese and will lead the national prayer from 5pm to 6pm on 31st of October. Here's the link to follow:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-8ZE7-zRDvJrupuribPbig>

Parishes of St Andrew & Blessed George Haydock, Cottam, and St Mary, Lea Town 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time 25th October 2020

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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.

WEBSITE: www.standrewscottam.org.uk

The Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator

Tel: 01772 728433. Website: www.catholicsafeguarding.org.uk

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Those who cry out
to me I will hear for
I am compassionate.

Exodus 22:22

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Parish Mass Book use suspended until further notice

SATURDAY 24th October

5.30pm (St Andrew's) Fiona Wilson M^cAllister (6846)

This Mass is also live streamed from Parish website

SUNDAY 25th October

9.00am (St Mary's) Fr T Gaffney (6968)

10.30am (St Andrew's) People of the Parish

6.00pm (St Andrew's) Special Intentions (6960)

MONDAY 26th October - Sts. Chad & Cedd (Opt. Memorial)

9.15am (St Andrew's) Jeff Poole RIP (6944)

TUESDAY 27th October - NO MASS

WEDNESDAY 28th October - Sts. Simon & Jude (Feast)

9.15am (St Andrew's) Bridie Lyons (6847)

7.00pm Online Zoom Rosary – sign up on website to join

THURSDAY 29th October

8.15am (St Mary's) David & Winifred Jackson (6951)

FRIDAY 30th October

9.15am (St Andrew's) John Devlin (6848)

SATURDAY 31st October

9.15am (St Andrew's) Holy Souls

5.30pm (St Andrew's) Michael Masheter (6963)

Alpha Course We plan to run another course in January 2021.

Mass Intentions 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.

Annual Cemetery Masses Sunday 8th November.

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

St Mary's Lea Town the 9.00am Mass – No booking required

St Andrew's Cottam Mass at 3.00pm - **Booking Required**

Due to the on-going restrictions, we are limited to the number of visitors inside our church. As such we require booking for the St Andrew's Mass. Please book on the website. If we are unable to accommodate you then you are welcome to join us online for the service

General Guidance

The following guidance should be following by everyone who attends either St Andrew's or St Mary's.

1. **PLEASE DO NOT VISIT THE CHURCH IF YOU HAVE ANY SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19 INCLUDING FEVER, PERSISTENT COUGH OR LOSS OF TASTE OR SMELL.**
2. You must not visit if you have been asked to shield or are in self-isolation.
3. **HAND SANITISERS** must be used on entry to & exit from the church.
4. **FACE COVERINGS** must be worn by all members of the congregation.
5. **SOCIAL DISTANCING**, following government guidance of 1m plus, must be followed at all times.
6. All printed material, such as missals and hymn books, which are not intended for single use will not be available in the church.
7. There will be **NO CONGREGATIONAL SINGING** at Mass.
8. There is a maximum limit of people in the church which is determined not only by the number of people, but whether they are part of a family or bubble. Once the limit is reached you will be asked to attend a different service.
9. If you are able to attend a weekday Mass then you may consider this as an alternate to the weekend Mass. The obligation to attend Sunday Mass is still suspended and a weekday Mass will be quieter than the weekend.

[Registration – Online on the parish website preferred](#)
[Or NHS Track & Trace App scan the QR Code at the back of church on your way in](#)

As a requirement of the Government's test and trace system we are required to hold details of all those who attend each of our services. The requirement is to hold these details for 21 days. There will be hard copies of the form available at church, but we would urge you to complete this online, either before you attend Mass, or on return. We would like to hold your details on file for longer than this so that we can contact you in the future in regard to parish activities and other such matters. If you are happy for this to occur, then please tick the appropriate box. We need to record this information for all services. However it is possible to indicate that you will normally attend a particular Mass, in which case you only need to register once, rather than each week. If you attend a weekday Mass, this information will be recorded on the day in church.