

**Introduction** We gather today as a community of believers, called by God our Father to love him and serve him, and to love our neighbours. We commit ourselves to service, especially for those in the greatest need, and to mirror Christ's own compassion.

**First Reading** Exodus 22:20-26 - The Lord will hear the cry of those who call out to him, for he is full of compassion.

**Second Reading** 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10 - The people who broke with idolatry and converted to God now follow the risen Jesus.

**Gospel** Matthew 22:34-40 - The greatest commandments are to love God and to love our neighbour.

Please pray for all whose anniversaries occur at this time:

### OCTOBER

**29** Clive Matthews, Marjorie Richardson, Michael McCartney

**30** Ann Pollett **31** Elizabeth Haslem, Sheila Entwistle

### 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

**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 weekend Masses. Mass intention envelopes are at the back of church.

**All Souls Day Indulgence** In addition to the usual conditions, a plenary indulgence, applicable to only one of the Holy Souls, can be gained by making a devout visit to a church or oratory where an Our Father & Creed are said. The Indulgence can be gained on All Souls Day, the Sunday before or after, & All Saints Day, but only once.

**Cemetery Indulgence** In addition to the usual conditions a plenary indulgence, applicable to only one of the Holy Souls, can be gained by a devout visit to a cemetery and praying there for the dead. Copies of the general conditions are available at the back of church.

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

### 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 29<sup>th</sup> October 2023

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

Exodus 22:22

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**SATURDAY 28 October**

5.30pm (Vigil) (Cottam) Repose of the soul of Margaret Hindle  
(7942)

**Mass will be live streamed from Parish website**

**SUNDAY 29 October (PMB page 146)**

9.00am(Lea Town) David & Winifred Jackson (7932)

10.30am People of the Parish

**3.00pm Afternoon Devotions & Benediction**

6.00pm Christians of the Holy Land

**Special Collection – Sick & Retired Priests Fund**

**MONDAY 30 October**

9.15am Dennis Frederick Halliday (7944)

**TUESDAY 31 October NO MASS**

**WEDNESDAY 1 November – (PMB page 184)**

**ALL SAINTS DAY (Solemnity) Holy Day of Obligation**

9.15am (Cottam) People of the Parish

**7.00pm (Cottam)** Recovery of Lucy Eshareturi from her spinal  
stroke (7914)

**THURSDAY 2 November - (PMB page 187)**

**ALL SOULS (Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed)**

8.15am (Lea Town) Holy Souls (All the Faithful Departed)

**7.00pm (Cottam)** Holy Souls (7948)

**FRIDAY 3 November - St. Winefride (Opt. memorial)**

9.15am Divine Favour/Divine Intervention (Donor's Intentions)  
(7946)

**SATURDAY 4 November – St. Charles Borromeo (Memorial)**

9.15am Christians of the Holy Land

5.30pm (Vigil) (Cottam) James Sheldon (7900)

Confessions next Saturday 4.30pm to 5.00pm

**All Saints and All Souls Days** In addition to the 9.15am Mass at Cottam on Wednesday and the 8.15am Mass at Lea Town on Thursday there will be a 7.00pm Mass on both days at Cottam.

**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 12<sup>th</sup> 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

**St Andrew's Autumn Leaf Collection Saturdays** If you have a spare hour on any Saturday morning please come along anytime between 10am and 12noon to help tidy up the leaves from the grounds.



**Welcome**

to Finlus Devrae Dalton who will be baptised today.

**Tea/Coffee & Light refreshments** in the Haydock Room after 10.30am Mass. All welcome.

**St Mary's a special Coffee Morning** on November 12th for a very special coffee morning straight after the 9 o'clock Mass. Everyone will be invited to help plant a new hedge and take part in a nature quiz (bring your wellies as this will be partly based in the grounds). Of course you're always welcome if you would just like a cup of tea or coffee and some cake. **Please note this replaces the November 5th coffee morning.**

**HELPING HANDS at ST MARY'S SCHOOL** Helps families that are in urgent need. At the back of St Mary's church is our Helping Hands Box for any kind donations of nonperishable food and toiletries. Our coffee mornings have raised over £70 for the school to use for children they see as in need.