



SUNDAY LINK



St Mary's Potton ♦ All Saints Sutton ♦ St John's Cockayne Hatley

21 May 2017—Easter 6

Diary

Monday 22 May

No Morning Prayer at Cockayne Hatley
5pm Soul Cinema: Shrek forever after(U)
8pm Wedding prep, George & Liz

Tuesday 23 May

9am Morning Prayer at Potton
10.30 Prayer Group, 17 Spencer Close
11.30 Open the Book, Sutton School
7.30 Housegroup, The Rectory

Thursday 25 May—Ascension Day

9am Morning Prayer at Sutton
11am Communion class, Sutton School
7.30pm Ascension Day service of Holy Communion, St Mary's



Friday 25 May

8.15am Gill on Biggles FM Thought
9am Morning Prayer at Potton
10am First Steps, St Mary's Hall
12.45 Parish Lunch, St Mary's Hall
2.30 Sutton School End of Term service
7pm Baptism prep, Abigail

END OF CHRISTIAN AID WEEK: Benefice Christian Aid Roast Lunch (proceeds to be added to the main collection) TODAY St Mary's Hall: £8; £5 children; £20 family. Thank you to St Mary's Fundraising Team for your hard work. Balloons to take home for every child!
A HUGE THANK YOU! to all those who delivered and collected Christian Aid envelopes, especially as it's been a wet week, and to Susan and others who have organized, made phone calls, prepared, and those who will help in the count and the return to Christian Aid; the suffering of very many desperate people will be eased by what you have contributed. Thank you enormously! Please bring bags back to churches this morning, or to The Rectory in the week,
ASCENSION DAY is this Thursday, 25th May. Please come to celebrate the day our Lord returned to Heaven. Ten days later he sent his Holy Spirit to fill, inspire, teach and guide us.
'THY KINGDOM COME' a ten day period of prayer for people to come to new faith will be launched on Ascension Day!
THE BIBLE IN 100 READINGS continues this week with The Miracles of Jesus. Readings for the week: Mon: Luke 9:1-36; Tue Matt 14:22-36; Wed John 9; Thu Mark 5:1-20; Fri John 11.
CREAM TEA INVITATIONS the whole Benefice is invited to Cream Teas in the Rectory Garden on the afternoon of Sunday 4 June as a BIG thank you for your support for our churches. Invitations are in the process of being delivered.
MASKED SUMMER BANQUET (masks made by Bea can be bought on the night from £1 to £5, and are entirely optional!). Canapes in the Rectory Garden. Dinner in the Hall. Sign up today for a superb evening together!

Verse for the week: "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Please pray ...

- for Jefferson to stay free from setbacks as he awaits his double transplant;
- for those getting married or celebrating marriage in our Benefice this summer, especially for those couples whose banns will be published today;
- for those who have had to leave their homes in order to take up residential care;
- for students: that God will guide minds and quieten hearts in this exam season.
- for the people of the United Kingdom: that the general election process will be a model of courtesy, respect and truth-telling.

For those who have asked for our prayers: Rev Barbara Johnson;
Cockayne Hatley: Alice Steadman, Sylvia Wharton; **Sutton:** Rowan Pearce, Ben Jones, Peter Wildman. **Potton:** Win Jamieson, David Barker, Marjorie Wanstall; Yvonne Drew, Andrew Craig, Vernon Godel, Dave & Fran Hodgson, Julia & Ray Bylett, Chris & Tony Boxall; Daniel Hutchinson, the Odell family, Jane Taylor, Garry Holland; Graham Willans, Ben Winter; the Sexton family, Tim Clarke, Alan Watson, Josette Mingo, Edward Keating; Paula Evetts, Jefferson & Natalie Tarn, Hazel Rozanska.
For the bereaved: the family and friends of Paul Loe, and those remembering anniversaries of death at this time.

Living God's Love with Generosity, Joy, Imagination and Courage

Ministry Team

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Lay Leaders of Worship (LLWs)
Janet Baillie, Paulet Brown-Wilsher, Daniel Hutchinson, Margaret Pryor, Hazel Rozanska

Regular Services/Events

(see website or magazine for more details)

Children's Treasure Boxes: every third Sun at Potton during Shorter Communion;
Craft & Chatter: alt Fridays (262287)
Family & Friends Services: every first Sunday at Potton

First Steps: Mums, babies and toddlers, Fridays 10-11.30 (260430)
Morning Prayer: in church 9am on Mon (C/H), Tue (P), Thu (S) & Fri (P) (260782).

NightLight: Reflective night service first Sunday monthly 7.30-8.30pm
Potton Housegroups: alt Thursdays 10am (260565); Tuesdays 7.30pm (07801 931029)
Potton Mothers' Union (261206)
Prayer Group: Tuesdays 10.30 (260565)

Soul Cinema: children's film club 5pm on Mondays in term time (260782)
St Mary's Bellringers ring Sundays and practise Tuesdays 7.30pm
St Mary's Choir sing Sundays 10.30 and practise Thursdays 7pm
Sutton Bible Study: alternate Fridays (260532)

This Week's Services

21 May 2017
EASTER 6

End of Christian Aid Week
The Miracles of Jesus
Luke 9:1-17; Luke 9:18-36

9am Benefice Holy Communion
Sutton—Rev Gill Smith

Potton

9am Morning Prayer
LLW Janet Baillie
10.30 Shorter Communion with Children's Treasure Boxes
Rev Gill Smith

Sutton

9am Holy Communion (as above)

Cockayne Hatley

6pm Evensong
Rev Gill Smith

Next Week's Services

28 May 2017
EASTER 7

The Cross of Christ
Luke 22:1-13; Luke 22:14-46

9am Benefice Holy Communion
Potton—Rev Gill Smith

Potton

9am Holy Communion (as above)
10.30 Holy Communion with prayers for healing, and Baptism of Abigail Lewis (granddaughter of the late Sue Lewis)
Rev Gill Smith

Sutton

9am Mattins
Reader Simon Gutteridge

Cockayne Hatley

6pm Evensong
Reader Simon Gutteridge

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