



# Sunday Link



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

3 December 2017: Advent 1

## Diary

### Monday 4 December 2017

9am Morning Prayer at Cockayne Hatley  
2pm Potton Lower School Reception Christmas performance and Christingle  
3.30 Clergy Team Meeting, The Rectory  
7.45 Sutton PCC, Dirok.

### Tuesday 5 December

9am Morning Prayer at Potton  
7.30pm Potton PCC, The Rectory

### Wednesday 6 December

10am Janet's Coffee Morning, 3 Manor Gdns  
5pm and 6.30 Sutton School Concerts in Village Hall

### Thursday 7 December

9am Morning Prayer at Sutton  
12 Pemdale visit  
1.30 B&H Sound Audio Survey  
3pm Beds Police Security Survey

### Friday 8 December

9am Morning Prayer at Potton  
10am First Steps Christmas Party, St Mary's Hall  
11.15 Wooden Tops Christmas Party, The Hollow  
2.45 Sutton Friday Service with Open the Book

### Saturday 9 December

11-1 Sutton Coffee Morning, Village Hall  
1pm St Mary's Singers Final Performance Handel's Messiah  
Rehearsals start in church  
3pm Pemdale Carol Service. All Welcome!  
7pm St Mary's Singers: Messiah. Potton Church

## News and Events

ANOINTING FOR PERSONAL RENEWAL: will be offered today at Sutton & Cockayne Hatley's services;

CRAFT & CHATTER, after a busy year, are now on leave until mid January;

DEANERY FIRST RESPONDERS COURSE will take place in Dunton early 2018, organised by David Mowbray £40 each, first come first served as numbers are limited.

Please let Gill know if you're interested;

FIRST STEPS CHRISTMAS PARTY! will take place on Friday with gifts & surprises for all children attending;

THANK YOU! to Natasha for making 19 individual Christmas Cakes for children to decorate at Friends & Family today to be given away to people living alone;

THANK YOU! to Margaret Pryor (Sutton) and Pat Thwaites (Potton) for again making beautiful Advent Rings.

DIARY NOTE: Carol Service Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm for PTSD 999 at St John the Baptist, Cockayne Hatley, led by Rev Barbara Johnson & musical accompaniment by "Waterbeach Brass." Everyone is warmly invited, mulled wine will be served afterwards.

## Please pray....

- for David, Felicity B and Felicity S preparing for their baptisms next week;
- for those for whom Christmas and its preparations are a painful time of woundedness and loss;
- for those who are isolated, homeless or estranged from families at this time of family celebration;
- for the leaders of the Church that they may witness to the power of God by their lives of justice and truth.
- that our hearts may be renewed and that we may deepen our faith and trust in God.
- for our broken world of today, for all those caught up in violence and disasters at this time; we pray for mercy and justice for rich and poor alike; for freedom from tyranny and oppression, and for a time of peace and tranquillity for all people.
- for all those whose work seeks to remove conflict, reduce tension and build justice.
- for those who are waiting in pain and suffering; we remember those waiting for hospital appointments; those waiting for loved ones to return.

### Let us pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

**Cockayne Hatley** Alice Steadman, Sylvia Wharton, Mary Gentle, Rosemary Cooper. **Sutton** Rowan Pearce, Ben Jones, Sara Bains and family and Peter Wildman.

**Potton** Chris & Tony Boxall, Win Jamieson, Liz Snoswell, Una Wilson, Yvonne Drew, Andrew Craig, Vernon Godel, Dave & Fran Hodgson, Julia & Ray Bylett, Daniel Hutchinson, the Odell family, Jane Taylor, Ben Winter, the Sexton family, Tim Clarke, Alan Watson, Paula Evetts, Jefferson & Natalie Tarn, John Maguire and Sheila Hinkins.

**For the bereaved:** for the family and friends of Marylyn Smith, Christine Seaman, Jean Baker, Waldemar Hartwig, Alexander Rayner (new born) and all those remembering anniversaries of death at this time.

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

### Ministry Team

**RECTOR:**  
Rev Gill Smith 01767 260782  
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(Day off - Wednesdays)

**ASSOCIATE PRIEST:**  
Rev Barbara Johnson, PTSD999  
Blue Hero Foundation Chaplain

**READERS:**  
Mr Simon Gutteridge 01767 260306  
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Mrs Maureen Munro (on placement)

**LAY MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT TEAM:**  
Janet Baillie, Wendy Chappell, Sally Davis, Daniel Hutchinson, Pippa Montgomery, Tina Mundy, Margaret Pryor, Hazel Rozanska, Jefferson Tarn, Natalie Tarn, Amy Taylor and Paulet Brown-Wilsher.

**Lay Leaders of Worship (LLWs):**  
Janet Baillie, Paulet Brown-Wilsher, Daniel Hutchinson, Margaret Pryor and 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 in term time (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

3 December 2017

Advent 1

Isaiah 64:1-9

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Mark 13:24-end

**9am Benefice Holy Communion**  
**Cockayne Hatley** - Rev Gill Smith  
with anointing for personal renewal

#### Potton

10.30 Friends & Family:  
Preparing for Christmas  
Wendy and team with Rev Gill Smith  
7.30pm NightLight  
Heather Gale and Sarah Banks

#### Sutton

9am Holy Communion with hymns  
with anointing for personal renewal  
Rev Judi Clarke  
**Cockayne Hatley**  
9am Holy Communion as above  
3pm Candlelit Carol Service  
with Salvation Army Band  
Reader Simon Gutteridge

### Next week's services

10 December 2017

Advent 2

Isaiah 40:1-11

2 Peter 3:8-15a

Mark 1:1-8

9am Benefice Holy Communion  
Potton - Rev Gill Smith

#### Potton

9am Holy Communion - as above  
10.30am Choral Communion  
Rev Gill Smith  
Including Baptism  
Rev Gill Smith

#### Sutton

9am BCP Mattins  
LLW Margaret Pryor  
**Cockayne Hatley**  
3pm Evensong  
Including Baptism  
Rev Gill Smith

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