



# SUNDAY LINK



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

**1st May 2022: Easter 3**

**Website:** [www.pottonparishchurch.org.uk](http://www.pottonparishchurch.org.uk)

**Facebook:** **St Mary's Church, Potton, SG19 2RP**

## Friday 29th April

- 09.30am** First Steps Babies and Toddlers  
in the Church Hall. Call 01767 260430 for details
- 2pm** Funeral of Margaret Leonard
- 7.30pm** Craft and Chatter. In the Church Hall, see page 3 for full details
- 12.45pm** Potton Parish Lunch, £8 Full 2 course menu, pay at the door See note on Page ??
- 2pm** Funeral of Margaret Leonard , Sutton

## Saturday 30th April

- 4pm** Baptism of Ellie-May Smith

## Sunday 1st May

- 5pm** Red Kite Concert, Cockayne Hatley (see notice)

## Thursday 5th May

- 2.45pm** Shine Together Sutton (See Dawn Kerridge for details)

## Friday 6th May

- 09.30am** First Steps Babies and Toddlers
- 11am** Memorial Service for Colin Crossley  
Cockayne Hatley

## Saturday 7th May

- 3-5 pm** Wedding Preparation Afternoon, Potton

## Church Opening Times

**St Mary's Potton 10am—4pm daily**  
**All Saints' Sutton 9am—4pm daily**

For details about  
worship services  
please see the  
final page

## SAFEGUARDING

George Price is the Safe  
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01727 818107 or  
[safeguarding@stalbans](mailto:safeguarding@stalbans).

## Prayer

*Please pray for those who are sick  
and have asked for our prayers:*

**Benefice:** Rev Barbara; **Potton:** Chris, Mike, Dave & Fran & Susan, Rob & Lynn & Family, Paula, Pam, Felicity, Lee, Vivienne, Joyce, Susan, Maggie, Mark, Nigel, Valerie, Irene from Deepdale, Pat (Wendy's mother), Baby Annie-May, Mary P; **Sutton:** Roger; **Cockayne Hatley:** Gloria & Tony;

**For** all those remembering their dearly departed at this time, among them Audrey Hallett & Margaret Leonard

**and let us also pray...**

***God our redeemer, whose church was strengthened by the blood of your martyr George: so bind us, to Christ's sacrifice that our lives may proclaim his resurrection in the world; through Jesus Christ Our Lord Amen***

## Key Contacts

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Mr David Tall (Churchwarden, Potton): 01767 261713

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*Going Deeper into God ♦ Transforming Communities ♦ Making new Disciples*

# Notices

## NightLight

We look forward to seeing many of you at 'Night Light' this Sunday evening May 1st. We are delighted to be back in the church. Refreshments will be served at 7.15pm with the service starting, as usual, at 7.30pm.

We will still be providing Zoom for those, due to health reasons, are unable to attend in person. We feel that it is important to continue with this while Covid is still with us.

Please email:

[s.e.banks@btinternet.com](mailto:s.e.banks@btinternet.com) for the Zoom code.



St Mary's Church, Hatley Road, Potton, SG19 2RP

**FRIENDS & FAMILY SERVICE**

**Sunday 1st May 10.30-11.30 am**

This month's theme is:

**The Parable of the Sower**

**Bible Story \* Prayer \* Music \* Church Band \* Friendship \***

**\* Making Sunflower Collages \* Sowing Sunflower Seeds \* Knitting**

**\* Mindfulness Colouring \* Cake \* Tea and Coffee \* Surprise Treat**

*And he told them many things in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow his seed.*

Matthew 13:3



Face Coverings are optional. This event has been COVID-19 risk assessed.



## Sunday May 1<sup>st</sup> 5-6pm St John the Baptist Cockayne Hatley

*Christian Forshaw explores the ambient, absorbing sound world of music for saxophone, percussion, organ and bass clarinet, debuting his own material alongside works by Moondog.*

TICKETS £15, Under 18s free, from [www.redkiteconcerts.com](http://www.redkiteconcerts.com) or on the door.

Red Kite Intro video: <https://cutt.ly/6GqH5H6> (Copy and paste into your Browser if not clickable)

## The Next Parish Lunch—Friday April 29<sup>th</sup> at 12.45pm in the Church Hall

A Message from Jane and Peter LeSueur

*The next Parish Lunch to support St John's Hospice at Moggerhanger, will be held in St Mary's church hall on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April at 12.45pm and on the last Friday of the month from June onwards. The cost is £8 for a tasty two course meal and payment is taken at the door. Please support this enjoyable event for a very worthwhile cause. Raffle prizes may be donated but food items must be in date and cuddly toys must be perfectly clean and preferably in original packing.*

*Please note the alteration to the date for the May Parish Lunch only which will be on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May.*

*We need more people to prepare a main course or dessert for the lunch, costs can be reimbursed. If you can help please contact Jane on 260193 or Judi on 260710.*

## More Notices

### Rev Barbara Johnson

We have received the following messages from Rev Barbara and her companion Ann Walsh.

Dear Friends, Thank you for all your prayers. I am really sorry I have not been well enough to worship with you. I have been hoping I might return, but have to accept finally that I am unable to make the journeys to Potton and back, and play an active role in church life. I have really valued my time with you, and both Ann and I will always have very happy memories. With love and blessings, Barbara.

I do hope you are all keeping well, and we will continue to pray for you and our friends in Potton.

Love and best wishes

Ann

**St Mary's Annual Church Meeting** (APCM) and the **Parishioners' Meeting** to elect our Churchwardens will be held on Sunday 8th May after the morning service.

**BEDS AND HERTS HISTORIC CHURCH TRUST** are holding a study day in Bedford on Saturday 14th May from 10am - 4pm about church life and history. Tickets £30, including lunch, a glass of wine and tea. Further details and booking forms from David Tall 01767 261713



**SUTTON PLANT SALE**  
Saturday and Sunday  
21st/22nd May 2022  
at  
The Old Rectory Sutton SG19 2NB  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
**All Day CREAM TEAS**  
SUNDAY 22ND MAY  
**DUCK RACE**  
at 3 p.m.



For further info contact Jo Hollington on 01767 261910  
Proceeds to All Saints Church

### A Message from Chris Boxall

Help needed for Stewards at the Festival of Flowers and Arts At St Mary's Church for the

Queens Platinum Jubilee  
Thursday 2nd June - Sunday 5th June, Each day 10.30am - 4.30pm. Sunday 11am-5pm

Full notice is attached to the email that brought you last week's Sunday Link, please contact Chris directly to volunteer or sign up in church.

### Regular Groups

### Craft and Chatter

Every other Friday (Unless Notified) (Green Bin Day in Potton!)

Craft and Chatter, is an informal Craft Group. The meetings are at 7.30pm in St Mary's Church Hall, Hatley Road, Potton, SG19 2RP. Bring along your current project and socialise with like minded new friends. Entry is £3 which includes refreshments. Plenty of room for new members so why not give it a try? Find us on Facebook for further details. [www.facebook.com/craftandchatter](http://www.facebook.com/craftandchatter).

### First Steps

Every Friday (Unless Notified)

Meetings are from 9.30am to 11.30am in St Mary's Church Hall, Hatley Road, Potton, SG19 2RP, opposite the church. Entry cost is only £2.00 per family and includes tea/coffee, cake, snacks, chatter and for the little ones, lots of toys to play with! For further information, contact Sandy on 01767 260430.

## *May's Sunday Services and Rotas*

Date May 2022	Cockayne Hatley 9am	Sutton 9am	Potton 10.30am	St Mary's Hall 7.15pm Service starts at 7.30pm	Cockayne Hatley 3pm
1st May		Holy Communion	Family and Friends	Nightlight Also with Zoom s.e.banks@btintern et.com for Zoom Code	
8th May	Holy Communion	Service of the Word	Holy Communion		
15th May		Holy Communion	Holy Communion		
22nd May	-	Service of the Word	Holy Communion		Evening Prayer
29th May		Holy Communion	Holy Communion		

### Potton Sunday Rota

May 2022	Readings	Prayers	Sides	Refresh	Sound
1st May	Family & Friends	Family and Friends			
8th May	Judi Hobbs	David Kilpatrick	Katie Savage, Emma Horsfall	Judi Hobbs, Rosemary Kimber	John Hobbs
15th May	Nigel/Jan Butlin	Hazel Rozanska	Ros and David Tall	Joyce Kakes, Linda	Dave Thompson
22nd May	Rosemary Kimber	Paulette Brown- Wilshire	Ros and David Tall	June Moore Susan Skelsey	Graham Hague
29 May	June Moore	David Tall	Roger Gale/ Graham Hague	Pat Thwaites /Vivienne F	Paul Taylor

### Wednesday 5pm Holy Communion Service Locations

Date	Location
4th May	Potton
11th May	Sutton (Service of the
18 May	Potton
25 May	Sutton

### Polite Covid Safety Notice

We ask that if you have symptom of Coronavirus consider staying at home and letting us know how you are.

**If you should get a positive test result in the 48 hours after a service or event please let us know and we can pass the message on (probably by email ) so people can make their own assessments etc**

### ALL SAINTS CHURCH SUTTON SUNDAY ROTA MAY 2022

9am	1st May	8th May	15th May	22nd May	29th May
<b>Sacristan</b>	Darren B	NA	Joanna H	NA	Ellie
<b>Readers</b>	William H	Joanna H & Helen	Darren	John & Claire	Catherine

#### **Items for Publication in Sunday Link**

Any items submitted for publication in the Sunday Link for the forthcoming weekend, are requested to send them in on the previous Sunday, or at the very latest, Monday. Late material cannot be guaranteed. Do not send in PDF format, but as Word text or a compatible text, or jpg. Thank you. Please send to Dave at: **g3oxg@aol.com**

***If at any time you wish to unsubscribe from these emails then please reply and let us know***