



# SUNDAY LINK



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

**10th April 2022: 5th Sunday of Lent**

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

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

## Diary

**Please see page 3 for details of Holy Week Services**

### Wednesday 6th of April

**3pm** Afternoon Tea, Sutton

### Friday 8th April

**8.15am** Nick Wilson - Thought for the Day, BigglesFM

**9.30am** First Steps Baby and Toddlers in St Mary's Hall (Details page 2)

### Thursday 14th April

#### Maundy Thursday

**2.30pm** Mother's Union meeting in the Church Hall  
Holy Week Meditation followed by refreshments

### Friday 15th April

Good Friday

### Sunday 17th April

Easter Sunday

### Monday 18th April

Easter Monday Bank Holiday

## 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 Guarding Officer for the Parish and Local Recruiter for the Benefice.

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## 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 Ken Oliver, Julie Croot

## and let us also pray...

for an end to the war in Ukraine and indeed peace in many of the world's troubled places.

## Key Contacts

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

## Notices

### **Sutton Afternoon Teas**

A traditional afternoon tea held in the beautiful setting of All Saints Church Sutton. These will be held on the First Wednesday of the month at 3pm. The next one will be on the 6th of April.

### **Lent Charities.**

Thank you to everybody who is taking part in this scheme, to support others, in these challenging times. Your donations, whether in a jam jar, envelope, or the purses and boxes which have been made in the Friends and Family services, will be collected on Easter Sunday and blessed by Alex. If you are unable to bring them to that service, please contact David Tall 01767 261713 to arrange collection.

***Thank you again***



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

**EASTER SUNDAY**

**EASTER EGG HUNT**

**17th April**

**10.30-11.30 am**

**Please come to our Easter Sunday service led by Rev. Alex. During the service, there will be an outdoor Easter Egg Hunt for children of all ages in the church grounds. Your children will love this!**



### **Palm Sunday Instructions**

**THIS COMING SUNDAY at 10AM**

Our joint Benefice service will be at St. Johns at Cockayne Hatley.

#### **Arriving**

To reach the church please make sure you use the road nearest the bus stop, as this is the only road we have permission/ access rights to use. Please avoid the road closest to the house with the For Sale sign. Please note that the road is a bit uneven.

#### **The Procession!**

This will not be too long, but will be dramatic! You can join in for as much or as little of this as you feel comfortable with. People can also meet us inside the church if they wish to. You will hopefully see some sort of marker (probably a traffic cone) indicating where we will be starting from. Further instructions will then be given before we begin. Again the path is uneven.

#### **A Busy Service!**

We hope the service will be well attended, but its likely social distancing will not be possible. If you are uncomfortable with this. You may wish to join us on Zoom. Details on page 4.

### **Mothers' Union**

The April meeting of the M.U. will be held on Thursday, 14th April at 2.30pm in the church hall. This will be a Holy Week meditation followed by refreshments

## Holy Week Services

### 10 April: Palm Sunday

10:am Joint Service (Cockayne Hatley & Zoom)

### 11, 12, 13 April

7pm Compline (Zoom)

### 14 April: Maundy Thursday

7:30 Holy Communion followed by The Watch

### 15 April: Good Friday

12: Hour by the Cross (Sutton)

1pm: Hour by the Cross (Potton)

2pm: Hour by the Cross (Cockayne Hatley & Zoom)

### 17 April: Easter Day

9am: Holy Communion (Sutton)

10:30am: Holy Communion (Potton)

### Zoom Code

**815 0338 3687**

### Good Friday Walk of Witness

Unfortunately its not been possible to plan a Good Friday Walk of Witness this year. We apologise for any disappointment this will cause.

### Sutton Community Events:

#### Dates for your Diary—21st/ 22nd May!

Watch out for future details of the Sutton Plant Sale and Duck Race!

## **Easter Monday Pilgrimage to St Albans**

*Easter Monday Pilgrimage - St Albans Diocese has held an Easter Monday Pilgrimage for over 70 years and following 2 years absence due to covid ie returning this year. Traditionally parishioners walk from their parish to the Abbey but as this takes 2 days from Potton we usually cheat and walk in from Harpenden - just a few miles! If you would like to join us, please speak to Rosemary (261206) for details. The walk is followed by a picnic in the orchard surrounding the Abbey (or in the Abbey if wet), a procession into the Abbey past the shrine of St Alban and a communion service. Everyone welcome whatever age (including dogs).*

## **A Feast of Music!**

*From the Ensemble of Friends conducted by Dr Douglas Coombes MBE*

**Sunday 24th April , 2.30pm,  
Sutton Church**

Followed by tea and cake

Tickets (£10) available from Jo Hollington on 01767 261910 or email:

[joannahollington@btinternet.com](mailto:joannahollington@btinternet.com)

## **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.*

## *April's Sunday Services and Rotas*

Date	Cockayne Hatley 9am	Sutton 9am	Potton 10.30am	St Mary's Hall 7.30pm	Cockayne Hatley 3pm
3 April Lent 5		Holy Communion	Family and Friends	6pm: Deanery Lent Service <u>7.15pm:</u> Nightlight	
10 April Palm Sunday	Joint Benefice Service for Palm Sunday Zoom 815 0338 3687	←	←		
17 April Easter Day	No service this year.	Holy Communion	Holy Communion		
24 April Easter 2	-	Service of the Word	Holy Communion (Rev. Gillian Orpin)		Evening Prayer, Book of Common Prayer
No 5th Sunday	—	—	—	—	—

### Potton Sunday Rota

April 2022	Readings	Prayers	Sides	Refresh
3 April	Family & Friends	Family and Friends		
10 April Palm Sunday	<i>Joint Service, St Johns</i>	<i>Joint Service, St Johns</i>	<i>Joint Service, St Johns</i>	<i>Joint Service, St Johns</i>
17 April Easter Day	Nick Wilson Acts 10, 34-43; 1 Corinthians 15, 19-23	Paulet Brown Wilsher	Roger Gale, June Moore	June Moore Linda
24 April	Gerry Barker Acts 5, 27-32 Revelation 1, 4-8	Roger Gale	Sue and Bill Colledge	Pat Thwaites Vivienne F

### Sutton Sunday Rota

9am	3 April	10 April	17 April	24 April
<b>Sacristan</b>	Darren B	NA	Joanna H	NA
<b>Readers</b>	Claire	Joint Service	Catherine	John * Helen
<b>Readings</b>	Isaiah 43 Vs 16- 21	Joint Service	Acts 10 Vs 34-43	Acts 5 Vs 27-32 John 20 Vs 19 to end

#### 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](mailto:g3oxg@aol.com)

### Wednesday 5pm Holy Communion Service Locations

Date	Location
6 April	Potton
13 April	Sutton
20 April	Potton
27 April	Sutton
NA	Potton

### 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**

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