

SUNDAY LINK



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

Sunday 11th February 2024, Sunday Before Lent

Websites:

Potton: www.pottonparishchurch.org.uk

Sutton: https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/7396/

Cockayne Hatley: https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/7398/ Facebook: St Mary's Church, Potton, SG19 2RP

Diary (For Sunday Worship please see final page)

Thursday 8 February

12:30 Funeral of Mrs. Pamela Tibbs. Harwood Park in Stevenage

Sunday 11 February

10:30am—Baptism Julie Neill & MarcTear, St. Marys Church

Tuesday 13 February

3:30pm—Sutton Pancake Party (see p.2)

Wednesday 14 February

7.30pm—Ash Wednesday Service, St. Marys Church Potton

Friday 16 February

12:45pm—Parish Lunch (Note change from monthly slot)

Sunday 18th February

6pm— Deanery Lent Service, St. Marys Potton

Tuesday 20 February

12 noon—Hall Communion

Weekly Events

Details for First Steps & Craft and Chatter can be found later in the Link

Fridays 9.30am : First Steps: (St. Marys Hall)

Green Bin Fridays, 7.30pm: Craft and Chatter, (St. Marys Hall)

Thursdays, Term Time ,2.45pm: Shine Together. (All Saints Sutton)

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Prayer

Benefice: Rev Barbara;

Potton: Chris, Dave & Fran, Rob & Lynn & Family, Paula, Sandra, Pam, Felicity, Vivienne, Joyce, Susan &, Maggie, Mark, Nigel, Pam, James,

Richard, Ade, Michael

Sutton: Roger;

Cockayne Hatley: Tony; The dearly departed:

Jim Seamer, Jennifer Judd, Pamela

Tibbs

Holy God,

you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Church Opening Times St Mary's Potton 10am—4pm daily All Saints' Sutton 9am—4pm daily

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Lent 2024

Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return. Turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ.

Ash Wednesday

The traditional Ash Wednesday Service, which marks the formal start of Lent, will take place on **14th of February at 7.30pm in St. Marys Church Potton**. Come and receive the sign of the cross in ash as we begin our Lenten journeys.

Morning Prayer

Lent is an excellent time to pick up some new prayer habits. Therefore a reminder that we hold Morning Prayer at 8.30 on the following days and places:

Wednesdays: St. John the Baptist Cockayne Hatley

Thursdays: All Saints' Sutton Fridays: St. Mary's Potton

Lent Study Groups

Last year we used Lent to launch study groups. As we come to Lent 2024, now might be a good time to join them if you haven't already:

<u>Tuesday Group:</u> (Tuesdays at: 7.30, starting on 13 February.) This group usually meets on a fortnightly basis, but will be switching to weekly for Lent. It will first take a look at Old Testament Prophets before turning to the Resurrection. The last session will be a meal together. Contact Dawn Kerridge for details including location.

<u>Friday Group</u>: (*Friday 16 Feb at 10:30am*). This group is sticking to its monthly pattern, but Lent is still a good time to join them, as they start a new topic: The 12 Apostles. Contact Simon Guttridge for details including location.

Lent Evening Services

Each Sunday <u>at 6pm</u> in Lent, people will gather in different churches for worship and a sermon on the topic of Mark's Gospel given by guest preachers including our Archdeacon and Bishop of Bedford

18th February: St. Mary's Potton 25th February: St. Swithuns, Sandy 3rd March: St. Andrews Biggleswade 10th March: St. John's Moggerhanger 17th: St Edmund/ St. James, Blunham



ALL SAINTS CHURCH SUTTON

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DAY

We will be tossing pancakes in the Church for the children after school and again from 4.15 p.m. for anyone else on Tuesday 13th February.

Please do come and join in the fun. All welcome.

No charge but Donations much appreciated for All Saints Church

Baptism at the 10:30!

Just a reminder that at the 10:30 at Potton this Sunday we will be baptising Mr. Marc Tear and Mrs. Julie Neill as part of the service. Some of you have met these two siblings at services recently.

This will be a wonderful occasion and we hope you will be able to come pray for them and congratulate them!

(Please note that the service may be a little longer then usual)

Parish Lunch

Supporting of St John's Moggerhanger 16th February 12.45pm

St. Marys Church Hall

The cost is £10 for a tasty two course meal and payment is taken at the door. Please support this enjoyable event for a very worthwhile cause. Please note the change from its regular monthly slot.



There is still time to invite someone you know! Don't assume someone else from church will do it, please be brave and have that conversation.

(There are plenty of flyers available in church)

Please also take some time to pray for the course and its participants!

<u>Funeral of Pamela</u> Tibbs

Thursday 8 February at 12.30pm at Harwood Park in Stevenage.

Rev. Alex plans to attend and can offer lifts. There is also the option to view the funeral online but you will need to contact Rev. Alex in good time to get the link.

St. Marys Church Choir

It would be great to grow our church choir which is a huge worship asset for our whole Benefice.

Have **YOU** ever thought of giving it a go? The choir are a friendly group and it is good fun! **All** abilities welcome (being able to read music is obviously an advantage but not essential). We are mainly seeking Alto, Tenor and Bass voices by which we mean people who sing in a medium to lower register. There is no 'audition' or anything like that. Just come along to a rehearsal and we'll take it from there. These are every Thursday evening at 7pm (except the last Thursday of the month)

Come and give it a go!

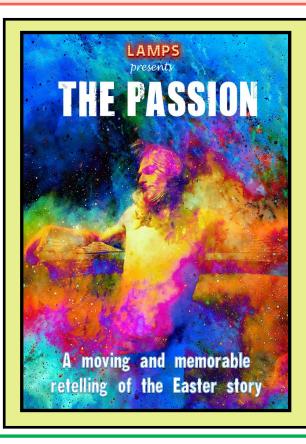
Contact Peter Le Sueur 01767 260193 or email pilesueur@hotmail.co.uk

Sutton Lower School Vacancy!

Sutton Lower School will from September be Sutton Primary School!
Consequently they are inviting applications for an Upper KS2 class teacher. If you know anyone who is interested please tell them to follow this link (my new term website)

https://mynewterm.com/jobs/109626/EDV -2024-SCVLS-89931

Closing date is 26th February at 9am



Saturday 23 March 24, 7pm St. Marys Church, Potton

Tickets available from:
Camerons Newsagents, Potton
Tysoe Hardware shop, Potton
or David Tall

Adults: £12.50 Children (under 16): FREE

Organised with grateful support of local business:

Potton Post Office Heat Street Heating Engineers

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, 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. All proceeds to St Mary's Church funds.

First Steps

Every Friday, including Half Term week. Meetings are from 9.30am to 11.30am in St Mary's Church Hall 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.

February 2024 Sunday Services and Rotas

Date	Potton	Cockayne	Sutton	Potton	Potton	Cockayne	
January 2024	9am	Hatley	9am	10.30am	7.15pm	Hatley 4pm	
2024		9am			Service starts at 7.30pm		
4 Feb	Morning		Holy	Family &			
Candlemass	Prayer		Communion	Friends			
11 Feb		Holy	Service of the	Holy	NightLight		
Sunday		Communion	Word	Communion	Contact for Zoom		
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18 Feb	Morning		Holy	Communion			
Lent 1	Prayer		Communion	with Treasure			
				Boxes			

25 Feb	Morning		Service of the	Choral		Evening	
Lent 2	Prayer		Word	Communion		Prayer	

Potton Rota

	Sidespersons	Reading 1	Reading 2	<u>Prayers</u>	Altar Flowers	<u>Lady</u> <u>Chapel</u> <u>Flowers</u>	Refreshments	Sound
4.2.24 4 TH Sunday after Epiphany	Friends and Families				Janet Kilpatrick	Louise Landon	Joyce Jakes	
11.2.24 Sunday next before Lent	Ros Tall David Tall	June Moore 2 Kings, 2:1-12	Ros Tall 2 Corinthians, 4: 13-25	Roger Gale	Adele Jackson	Jane Le Sueur	Heather gale Sue <u>Colledge</u>	John Hobbs
14.2.24 Ash Wednesday	John <u>Rosanski</u>	Hazel Rozanska Isaiah, 58:1-12	Rosemary Kimber 2 Corinthians, 5:20b-6:10	Simon Gutteridge	No flowers	No flowers	No refreshments	
18.2.24 1 st Sunday in Lent	Mark Williams Mary Williams	Treasure Box Communion			No flowers	No flowers	Vivienne Farrell Sarah Banks	Ben Hall
25.2.24 2 nd Sunday in Lent	Ben Hall Laura Hall	David Tall Genisis, 17:1- 7,15,16	Heather Gale Romans, 4:13-25	Hazel Rozanska	No flowers	No flowers	Ros Tall Jane Le Sueur	Paul Taylor

St Marys Church Hall Communion Services

(all at 12 noon)

<u>Polite Covid Safety Notice</u> 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.

These services can be shown on zoom <u>BYREQUEST</u> Zoom Code & Link for these services

Meeting ID: 815 0338 3687

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