



SUNDAY LINK



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

Sunday 25th February 2024, 2nd Sunday of 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)

Saturday 24 February

10am-1pm: Link Café, Potton Community Centre, Brook End

Thursday 29 March

4pm: Sutton PCC

Friday 1 March

2pm: World Day of Prayer Service, St Mary's Church Hall

Saturday 2 March

1pm: Wedding: Watson & Skinner, St. Mary's Church Potton

7pm: St David's Day Quiz & Meal, St Mary's Church Hall

Sunday 3 March

5pm: Red Kite Concert: Exquisite Arts, Cockayne Hatley

Saturday 9 March

7.30pm: FOSC Community Quiz & Meal

Weekly Events

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

Fridays 9.30am: First Steps (St. Mary's Hall)

Green Bin Fridays 7.30pm: Craft and Chatter (St. Mary's Hall)

Thursdays in 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:

Pamela Grist

Almighty God,

*by the prayer and discipline of Lent
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's
sufferings,*

and by following in his Way

come to share in his glory;

through 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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Sad News: Pamela Grist

Once again, we are sad to inform you of the death of another member of St. Mary's Potton community. Pamela Grist did a lot for St. Mary's including serving on PCC and a stewardship committee. She also helped out a great deal through her baking and hospitality. Please pray for her family as they begin to grieve. Funeral details to be confirmed.

Lent 2024

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

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:

Tuesday Group: *(Tuesdays at 7.30pm)* 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 out together. Contact Dawn Kerridge for details including location.

Friday Group: *(Fridays 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 at 6pm 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

25th February: St. Swithuns, Sandy

3rd March: St. Andrews, Biggleswade

10th March: St. John's, Moggerhanger

17th March: St Edmund/ St. James, Blunham

The Link Café

Connecting St. Mary's Church with the Community

A place for people of all ages to meet for friendship, refreshment and cake!

~~Saturday 27 January~~
Saturday 24 February
Saturday 30 March
Saturday 27 April
Saturday 25 May

10am – 1pm,
Community Centre Brook End, Potton



Includes children's corner
with toys and fun craft
activities!

No 'Little Steps' on 23rd February

Due to it being half term and the Hall being unavailable - Little Steps will not be taking place on this date.

News from the Potton Open the Book Team

By Judi Hobbs

Our Open the Book team performed the Last Supper during assembly on Wednesday 14th February, to the Y4, Y5 and Y6 children.

(normally we perform to the younger children).

Nine children were asked to be disciples, which they approached with maturity and enthusiasm. It was very well received and we all had great fun showing the children this very important meal and its association with our Communion services in church today. We discussed the world famous painting by Leonardo Da Vinci, of the Last Supper and the school were given a copy to display.

The Next Guest Preacher

The next 'guest preacher slot' is at the 10.30am service, Potton church on the 25th of February. This will feature a recording of an interview by Rev. Alex, of Mr. Mike Mullins, Spokesperson for Christian Climate Action.

Community Quiz & Meal! - Friends of Sutton Church (FOSC)

Friends of Sutton Church (FOSC) is a small local charity which raises money specially for the building of All Saints Sutton Church. They primarily do this through fundraising events throughout the year. Thanks to them the church gets some funding for building repair etc. FOSC's next event is a Community Quiz & meal on **Saturday 9 March in Sutton Village Hall beginning at 7.30** Cost is £15pp for a 2 course meal. A bar is also available. If you enjoy a pub quiz you will thoroughly enjoy this event. For more details or to book in a team Contact Catherine Brown on: thecatherinebrown@hotmail.co.uk

New Communionware

After some delay, St. Mary's Church's new silverware will be used for the first time at the 10:30 on 25th of February.

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 pjlesueur@hotmail.co.uk

St. David's Day Quiz and Meal

The St, Marys Evens team are delighted to invite you to their next event: A Welsh-themed Quiz and meal for St. David's day. These are wonderful events to which you can invite friends and family.

Saturday 2nd March,
7.00pm for 7.30pm at
Potton Church Hall.

Sign up sheet at the back of
St. Mary's Church

Passion Play

**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
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A Notice from Hearts for Moggerhanger:

Nearly New Clothes' Sale

Following on from a huge success last year the 'Hearts for Moggerhanger' group are again hosting a sale of ladies, mens & children's clothing, as well as accessories and some Bric a brac.

Coffee and cake will also be on sale!

Saturday 6th April 10am-2pm in St Mary's
Church Hall

Those wishing to donate nearly new items can drop them off at Tysoes between 8th March and 4th April.

Regular Groups

Craft and Chatter

Every other Friday (Unless Notified) **Feb 16. Next month: Mar 1, 15, 29**

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 9.30am to 11.30am in St Mary's Church Hall. Entry 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. **No meeting 23 Feb**

February 2024 Sunday Services and Rotas

Date	Potton	Cockayne Hatley	Sutton	Potton	Potton	Cockayne Hatley
January 2024	9am	9am	9am	10.30am	7.15pm Service starts at 7.30pm	4pm
4 Feb Candlemass	Morning Prayer		Holy Communion	Family & Friends		
11 Feb Sunday before Lent		Holy Communion	Service of the Word	Holy Communion	NightLight <i>Contact for Zoom Link</i>	
18 Feb Lent 1	Morning Prayer		Holy Communion	Communion with Treasure Boxes ***		
25 Feb Lent 2	Morning Prayer		Service of the Word	Choral Communion ***		Evening Prayer

Potton Rota

	<u>Sidespersons</u>	<u>Reading 1</u>	<u>Reading 2</u>	<u>Prayers</u>	<u>Altar Flowers</u>	<u>Lady Chapel Flowers</u>	<u>Refreshments</u>	<u>Sound</u>
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 Colledge	John Hobbs
14.2.24 Ash Wednesday	John <u>Rosanski</u>	Hazel <u>Rozanska</u> 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 Genesis, 17:1-7,15,16	Heather Gale Romans, 4:13-25	Hazel <u>Rozanska</u>	No flowers	No flowers	Ros Tall Jane Le Sueur	Paul Taylor

St Mary's Church Hall Communion Services (all at 12 noon)

**19 March 2024
16 April 2024
21 May 2024
18 June 2024
16 July 2024**

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.

*These services can be shown on zoom **BY REQUEST** Zoom Code & Link for these services*

Meeting ID: 815 0338 3687

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81503383687>

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