

## SUNDAY LINK



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

**Sunday 4 June 2023, Trinity Sunday** 

Website: www.pottonparishchurch.org.uk

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

Diary

For Sunday Worship Please see final page

9.30am All Fridays, June, July, August, September

First Steps, See Page 4 for full details

7.30pm Craft and Chatter, See Page 4 for full details/dates

2.45pm Thursday in School Term Shine Together, Sutton

Friday 2nd June

No First Steps this week as Church Hall is booked for a 3 day Potton Playhouse production

Saturday 3rd June

1.30pm Wedding of Johanna Hare and Alistair Johnson

St Mary's Church, Potton

Wednesday 7 June

St. John the Baptist PCC 2pm

Afternoon Tea at All Saints Sutton 3pm

Saturday 10 June

Café at St. John the Baptist Cockayne Hatley 1—4pm

**Sunday 11th June** 

2pm FOSC Walk (see page 2 for details)

Sunday July 2nd

5-6pm Red Kite Concerts, present Blue and Sentimental, a

> presentation of 1920s and 1930s Music, beautiful melodies and rhythmic rags by Pete Horsfall and Colin Good at St John's Church, Cockayne Hatley.

Booking details available soon

SAFE GUARDING

George Price is the Safeguarding Officer for the Parish and Local Recruiter for the Benefice. George can be contacted at: 07922421915

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Diocese contact: Jeremy Hirst 01727 818107

Or email: safeguarding@stalbans.anglican.org

Prayer

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

Benefice: Rev Barbara; Potton: Chris, Dave & Fran, Rob & Lynn & Family, Paula, Sandra, Pam, Felicity, Lee, Vivienne, Joyce, Susan, Maggie, Mark, Nigel, Pam, James; **Sutton:** Roger;

Cockayne Hatley: Tony;

**For** all those remembering their dearly departed. This week we remember: Dick Reynolds.

Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth, and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Church Opening Times

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

**Key Contacts** 

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Living Gods Love with Generosity, Joy, Imagination and Courage

### Who Do We Want To Be?

Hopefully everyone will have received Revd. Alex letter about our vision and future proprieties. A reminder that there is a further benefice meeting to further refine these.

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> of June, 7.30pm, St. Marys Potton

### FOSC afternoon walk



11<sup>th</sup> June 2023
at Portobello Farm
2pm start followed by
afternoon tea

### ~3 mile stroll through Portobello Farm

Woodland paths, tracks (no climbing) but not suitable for pushchairs. Friendly dogs welcome but kept on leads at all times

£10 per person (under 10's £5)

FOSC = Friends of Sutton Church

## Pulpit Swap!: 11 June

On Sunday 11th of June we will be having a pulpit swap with St. Swithun's Sandy. Revd. Philip Macaulay will be preaching and presiding at the 9am Cockayne Hatley service and the 10:30am Potton service.

Meanwhile Revd. Alex will be at Sandy's 9.30am and 11am

### Oak Saplings for Sale

We have 30 oak saplings in St. Marys porch for sale by donation to the St. Mary Tower fund.

On the death of Queen Elizabeth II, 96 acorns from the Henry Smith Playing Field in Potton were sown. The majority of these germinated and have become saplings. The saplings are looking for good homes where they can be kept in pots for a number of years, planted out into a large open space - or alternatively groomed as a decorative Bonsai. However, to be maintained, the plants need to be planted out into bigger pots as soon as possible. Instructions on growing oak trees or oak Bonsai plants are plentiful online or in books.

To buy one please put your donation in an envelope marked 'Tower Fund'



First Steps June 2nd

Sorry, there will not be the usual Friday gathering as the Hall is booked for a 3 day Potton Playhouse production

### **Summer Preaching**

We will soon be entering a long period in the church calendar called "Ordinary Time" (basically a time when we don't have a season like Lent or Easter). During this time there is flexibility for things like preaching series etc. Revd. Alex is beginning to think about this and is wondering if there are any particular themes or ideas you would like to explore.

For example would a series looking at peoples faith in the workplace be helpful or perhaps an exploration of a particular book of the Bible.

If you have any ideas do get in contact with Revd. Alex. He cannot promise he will do it, but ideas are appreciated!

### Some important notices from Sutton Church



## And from St Mary's this coming weekend:



St Mary's Church, Hatley Road, Potton, SG19 2RP
FRIENDS & FAMILY SERVICE

Sunday 4th June 10.30-11.30 am

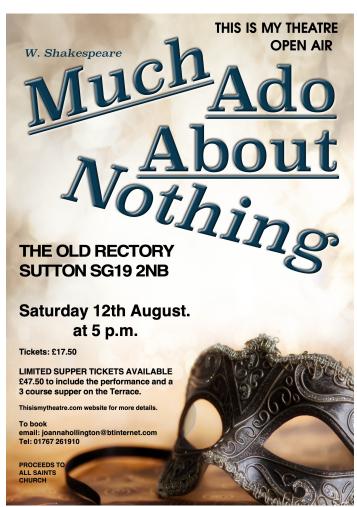
This month's theme is:

#### **PENTECOST**

Bible Story \* Prayer \* Music \* Church Band \* Friendship \*
Pentecost Window Art \* Sewing \* Knitting and Crochet \*
Colouring \* Tea \* Coffee \* Home-made Cakes \* Surprise Treat
All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

Acts 2:4





# Coming soon at St. John the Baptist Cockayne Hatley:

### Café at St. John the Baptist Church

Tea, coffee and cake in the beautiful and peaceful setting of Cockayne Hatley's parish church

Drop in any time between

1-4pm

2nd Saturday of the Month

10 June 8 July 12 August 9 September

### <u>Could you be our next Christian Aid Rep(s)</u> <u>for St. Mary's Church Potton?</u>

At last week's 10:30 service at St. Mary's Church, Revd. Alex asked if anyone felt drawn to act as our Christian Aid Representative. In the past this has been about organising the door to door collections during Christian Aid Week. However it has become increasingly apparent this is not an appropriate fundraising method.

Consequently, a future Rep's role will likely involve encouraging & supporting volunteers to organise fundraising events and so scheduling a week of activities.

The rôle may also involve coordinating campaigning efforts throughout the year, collecting signatures for MP letters, hosting a campaign craft table at Family and Friends Services and so on.

Of course there is space to make this rôle your own. It could also be shared amongst a small group of people.

You just need the passion for Christian Aid and in particular for combating climate change.

Please speak to Revd. Alex for further information.

### Mothers Union Summer of Hope Appeal

The Mothers' Union will be holding their annual tea party on Thursday, 8th June, in Kimber's barn, 28, King Street at 4.00pm. The cost is £7.00 and all proceeds will go to the M.U. Summer of Hope Appeal. Please let Rosemary know if you would like to attend (tel. no. 01767 261206 or mobile 07753638278). EVERYONE WELCOME. Come and enjoy good food and good company.

#### Regular Groups

#### Craft and Chatter

Every other Friday (Unless Notified) (Green Bin Day in Potton!) Next dates: June 9 & 23

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. 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, 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. **No Meeting June 2nd** 

#### **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

## June 2023 Sunday Services and Rotas

### Boxes in yellow indicate services that are a departure from our usual monthly pattern.

Date June 2023  4th June Trinity	Potton 9am Morning Prayer	Cockayne Hatley 9am	Sutton 9am Holy	Potton 10.30am  Friends and	Potton 7.15pm Service starts at 7.30pm	Cockayne Hatley 4pm
Sunday  11th June Trinity 1	Trayer	Holy Communion (see page 3)	Service of the Word	Holy Communion *** (see page 3)	NightLight *** Contact for Zoom Link See Page 3	
18 June Trinity 2	Morning Prayer		Holy Communion with Rev. Ray Porter	Communion with Treasure Boxes *** with Rev. Ray Porter		
25 June Trinity 3	Morning Prayer		Service of the Word	Choral Communion *** With Rev. Les Ogglesby		Evening Prayer

### **Potton Sunday Rota**

	Sidespersons	Reading 1	Reading 2	<u>Prayers</u>	Refreshments	Sound
Trinity Sunday 4.6.23	Friends and Families				Joyce Jakes	
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity 11.6.23	Sue <u>Colledge</u> Bill <u>Colledge</u>	Sue <u>Colledge</u> Genesis, 12:1-9	Bill <u>Colledge</u> Romans, 4:13-25	David Tall	Vivienne Farrell Sarah Banks	Paul Taylor
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Trinity 18.6.23	Mark Williams Mary Williams	Treasure Box	Communion		Rosemary Kimber Judi Hobbs	John Hobbs
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Trinity 25.6.23	Liz Price George Price	Simon Gutteridge Genesis, 21:8-21	Roger Gale Romans, 6:1b-11	Kim Gutteridge	Linda Jane Le <u>Sueur</u>	Ben Hall

St Marys Church Hall Communion Services (all 12 noon) 20 June 23 18 July 23

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.

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Zoom Code & Link for these services
Meeting ID: 815 0338 3687
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81503383687