



# SUNDAY LINK



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

**Sunday 29 October 2023, All Saints**

## Websites:

Potton: [www.pottonparishchurch.org.uk](http://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

**For Sunday Worship Please see final page**

**9.30am** All Fridays, October, November, December  
**First Steps**, See Notes on Page 3 for full details  
**7.30pm** Craft and Chatter, See Page 3 for full details/dates

## *Diary* (For Sunday Worship Please see final page)

**Saturday 4th of November**

**6pm** Traditional Bonfire Night, St Mary's Church Field  
And Church Hall (See page 4 for full details)

**No Fireworks or Sparklers**

**Wednesday 25th of October**

**7.30pm** Potton PCC, Salvation Army Citadel

**Saturday 28th of October**

**10am\2pm** St. Mary's Link Café, Community Centre, Brookend

**Sunday 29th of October**

**4pm** Services of Remembrance for All Souls Day,  
St. Marys Potton

**Sunday 12th November**

**10am** Potton Parade Service for Remembrance Sunday

**11am** Laying of Wreaths at the War Memorial  
The Cemetery, Sandy Road

**Friday 15th December**

**12.45pm** Potton Christmas Parish Lunch. See page 2 for  
details and how to reserve. St Mary's Church Hall

## SAFEGUARDING CONTACTS

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## *Prayer*

**Please pray for those who  
have asked for our prayers:**

**Benefice:** Rev Barbara;

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

**Sutton:** Roger;

**Cockayne Hatley:** Tony;

**For all those remembering their  
dearly departed.**

*We thank you Father for the saints  
for inspiration they give us and the  
way they show you are still active in  
your world. Amen*

## Church Opening Times

**St Mary's Potton 10am—4pm daily**

## Key Contacts

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

## **Remembering our Loved Ones: The All Souls Service**

On the **29th of October at 4pm** we will be having our annual All Souls Remembrance service in **St. Marys Potton**. This is a service for anyone who is grieving for someone, whether it be a recent loss or one from years ago.

Part of the service includes reading out a set of names of people to remember. **If you wish to have a loved one remembered then please write their name on the list at the back St. Marys & All Saints.** (The list will be out from 1 October)  
**Please do not assume that we will carry on names from last year.**

## **Our Zoom Services**

We have been continuing to 'broadcast' our services at St. John the Baptist and St. Marys for the benefit of those remaining at home. We are still happy to do this, but from now on we will do it by request rather than every week.

Therefore if you would like to join us for a service via zoom please let Rev. Alex know via phone/ answerphone by Saturday evening.

Nightlight will continue to be 'zoomed' in their usual way.

## **Potton Events Diary**

**Judy Hobbs** reminds us, and all other organisations in Potton, that there is an **Events Diary** held in the **Library**, which allows everyone who is involved in any sort of event in town, to add the details such as What, Where, When, How Much, the list goes on! But this has not been kept up to date of late and this can lead to clashes of important details and events. Please if you are involved in organising something, please add the details and if it does clash with something, please find a way round it. This has worked well in the past but sadly this diary often is ignored these days leading to problems. This is not just aimed at our own Church members, but everyone in Potton so if you belong as well to another Town group, please pass this on. The Town Council sponsor the diary, it's up to us to make good use of it!

## **Harvest Collections to Preen**

### **Part II**

*Items collected at Shine Together and St. Mary's Harvest Communion.*

### **From George Price:**

It was lovely to take all of this lovely food to Preen Food Bank at Biggleswade on Wednesday 11 October. It was made up of donations from Sutton V.A. Lowe School and churches in the Potton Benefice. A manager there was extremely grateful. He said that they are really busy. They give out 3000 meals per month, receive about 10% of this food in donations and buy about £100 000 worth of food each year. I assured him of our ongoing support.

### **From Rev. Alex**

It is really alarming to hear how busy Preen is and I was surprised to read above that only 10% of the food they give out is from collections with the rest being purchased. A clear encouragement to continue and expand our giving to Preen!

Thank you George for transporting all those heavy tins!

## **Potton Parish Christmas Lunch. Dec 15th**

Tickets are now on sale for this year's Lunch, held to raise funds for the St John's Hospice at Moggerhanger. Tickets this year cost £18 for a traditional 2 course lunch, with tea/coffee.

Raffle. Call 01767 260193 to enquire.

## **Guest Preachers for St. Marys Choral Communion**

Rev. Alex is pleased to announce a series of guest preachers for the Autumn/Winter season at the following 10:30am Choral Communion Services at St. Marys Potton.

26 November (Christ the King)  
*The Rev. Will Gibbs, Canon for Mission and Pastoral Care, St. Albans Cathedral*

24th December (Christmas Eve)  
*Pre-recorded interview with...TBC!*

28 January (Epiphany 4)  
*The Rev. Dr Andy Pike, Chaplain to Bedford Hospital*

25 February (Lent 2)  
*Pre-recorded interview with Mr. Mike Mullins, Spokesperson for Christian Climate Action.*



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### **FRIENDS & FAMILY SERVICE**

**Sunday 5th November 10.30-11.30 am**

This month's theme is:

## **REMEMBRANCE**

Bible Story \* Prayer \* Music \* Church Band \* Friendship \* Sewing \* Poppy Craft \* Knitting and Crochet \* Tea \* Coffee \* Poppy Bakes\* Surprise Treat\*

**POPPIES WILL BE ON SALE**

*Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.*

*John 15:13*



## **Remember!**

The Sunday Morning Service on 29th October is a joint service at All Saints at 10am. There is no 10:30am service at Potton that day (9am Morning Prayer at Potton is unaffected)

### **Regular Groups**

### **Craft and Chatter**

Every other Friday (Unless Notified) (*Green Bin Day in Potton!*) **Next dates: Oct 27, Nov 10, 24**

*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) . All proceeds to St Mary's Church funds.*

**NB There are no Craft and Chatter sessions in December**

**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.



## 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 28 October  
Saturday 25 November  
Saturday 30 December  
Saturday 27 January  
Saturday 24 February

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



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

## Bonfire Celebration Evening

After last year's success, we are  
having another Traditional Bonfire  
Night - without Fireworks!

Child and pet friendly.

Venue: St Mary's Church Hall &  
Field. Gate open @ 6.00pm with  
bonfire lit @ 6:30pm. Free Entry

We will have a BBQ with Burgers,  
Hot Dogs & new for this year -  
American style dogs!

Hot soup and cakes available

Plus Beer and Glühwein.

But PLEASE

**NO SPARKLERS OR FIREWORKS**

## REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

November 12th 2023

The Potton Remembrance Day Service and Parade, will assemble in the Market Square from 10am for a 10.10am start. The short service will be traditional prayers and hymns before forming into a procession to Parade, led by the Salvation Army, to the Cemetery in Sandy Road, where Wreaths will be laid on the War Memorial and the names of the Fallen Sons of Potton will be remembered. At 11am, after the Last Post is sounded, the Two Minutes Silence will be observed followed by Reveille.

After final prayers, the Parade will then return to the Market Square

St Mary's Church Presents:

**Traditional  
Bonfire Night  
Sat 4th Nov'23**  
[Without Firework Display]  
Child and Dog Friendly  
**FREE ENTRY**

**GATES OPEN 6PM**  
**Bonfire Lit at 6.30pm**

Venue:

St Mary's Church Hall Field,  
Hatley Rd, Potton. SG19 2RP

**BEER**

**BBQ on the field**  
**Hot/cold refreshments**

**GLÜHWEIN**

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# October 2023 Sunday Services and Rotas

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

Date October 2023	Potton 9am	Cockayne Hatley 9am	Sutton 9am	Potton 10.30am	Potton 7.15pm Service starts at 7.30pm	Cockayne Hatley 4pm
1 October Trinity 17	Morning Prayer		Holy Communion for Harvest Festival	Friends and Family Harvest Service		
8 October Trinity 18		Holy Communion	Service of the Word	Holy Communion for Harvest Festival ***	NightLight *** Contact for Zoom Link See Page 2	
15 October Trinity 19	Morning Prayer		Holy Communion	Communion with Treasure Boxes ***		
22 October Trinity 20	Morning Prayer		Service of the Word	Choral Communion ***		Evensong for Harvest Festival
29 October All Saints	Morning Prayer		10am Patronal Service	Joint Service at Sutton ←		

## Potton Sunday 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>
1.10.23 17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	Friends and Families				Judi Hobbs	Judi Hobbs	Joyce Jakes	
8.10.23 18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	Sue Colledge Bill Colledge	Sue Colledge Deuteronomy 8:7-18	Bill Colledge 2 Corinthians 9: 16-30	Roger Gale	Rosemary Kimber	Rosemary Kimber	Vivienne Farrell Ros Tall	Paul Taylor
15.10.23 19 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	Mark Williams Mary Williams	Treasure Box Communion			Janet Kilpatrick	Louise Landon	Linda Rosemary Kimber	Ben Hall
22.10.23 20 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	Liz Price George Price	David Tall Exodus, 33:12-23	June Moore 1 Thessalonians, 1:1-10	Dawn Kerridge	Ros Tall	Ros Tall	Judi Hobbs Sue Colledge	John Hobbs
29.10.23 All Saints Day	Joint service at All Saints, 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

**St Marys Church  
Hall  
Communion  
Services  
(all 12 noon)  
14 November**

Please note change  
of date

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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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