



SUNDAY LINK



St Mary's Potton ♦ All Saints' Sutton ♦ St John's Cockayne Hatley
Sunday 8th October 2023, Trinity 18

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

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
- 2.45pm Thursday in School Term Shine Together, Sutton

Diary (For Sunday Worship Please see final page)

- Thursday 5th October**
9:45am St. John the Baptist PCC
- Saturday 7th October**
7:30pm Friends of Sutton Church: Greek Night, Village Hall
- Friday 13th October**
11:30am The Funeral of Mr. Gray, All Saints Sutton
- Saturday 14th October**
2.30 Wedding, Caroline Richardson & Stephen Busnell, All Saints
- Sunday 15th October**
6.30pm **Little Stars Support and Reflection Evening**
St Mary's Church' Potton See page 4 for full details.
- Tuesday 24th of October**
1pm Wedding, Christine Dunne and Sean Ives, All Saints Sutton
- Sunday 29th of October**
4pm Services of Remembrance for All Souls Day

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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;

Sutton: Roger;

Cockayne Hatley: Tony;

For all those remembering their dearly departed, especially this week, Christine Harper and Peter Gray.

*God, our judge and saviour,
teach us to be open to your truth
and to trust in your love,
that we may live each day
with confidence in the salvation
which is given
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

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

Going Deeper into God ♦ Transforming Communities ♦ Making new Disciples

Harvest Services & Food Collections

Don't forget to bring something to one of our Harvest services! We request you bring a suitable donation of tinned or dried food (no fresh food please).

8 October, Potton, 10:30am, Harvest Festival Communion Service

22 October, Cockayne Hatley, 4pm, Harvest Evensong



October's theme:
Prayer

Nightlight

Sunday 8th October
2023 St Mary's Church
Service starts at 7.30pm
with the option of
arriving at 7.15 for
refreshments.

*Also on Zoom for anyone confined
at home*

Contact
s.e.banks@btinternet.com for
Zoom Code

Flower Arrangers (St. Marys)

Need some more
volunteers!

Volunteers need not be
experienced, as some
instruction will be
provided.

If this is something you
are interested in please
contact either Rosemary
Kimber or Judi Hobbs.

Dave Thompson is Retiring from Publicity Officer Role!

Dave Thompson has been our
Publicity Officer (a role which
includes editing this Link) for
many years, but he now feels the
time has come to pass on the
reigns to someone else.

Rev. Alex will now be approaching
someone to fill his place. They
will be inducted over the next few
months ready to start in the new
year.

**We are grateful to Dave for
his many years of service!**

Preen Collection!

Another load delivered to Preen Food
Bank. This one was largely made up
of donations so far for Harvest
Festival. This continues next
Sunday, however you can donate
long-life food items any time by
leaving them in the large black box
in the porch of St. Mary's Church or
the white container in All Saints.



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.

Little Stars Support & Reflection Evening

(Part of 'National Baby Loss Awareness Week' and 'Wave of Light')



Please join us for an evening of support and remembrance of our little stars who are no longer with us but whom we think of every day. 'Wave of Light' is an opportunity to join bereaved parents, families and friends to come to church and commemorate all babies who sadly died too soon by lighting a candle.

The evening is an opportunity for those affected by baby/child loss to meet others that have shared experiences and feelings. Some like to talk, some like to listen, but no one needs to feel alone.

There will be prayers and you can light a candle followed by some music and time to reflect and remember. You then have an opportunity to write a message on a star to hang on our memory tree. Your message will stay on our tree all year. We finish with tea & coffee with biscuits and a chance for a chat, a smile, a tear or a hug.

We remember every baby lost in pregnancy
Every baby born sleeping
Every baby lost shortly after birth
Every baby lost in childhood
We will love them forever

Sunday 15th October @ 6:30pm,
St Mary's Church, Potton, SG192RP

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Thank You Link Café Volunteers!

Thank you to everyone who helped make The Link Cafe such a success last Saturday. Special thanks to Heather and her team for organising the event.

We had a number of people who do not normally attend St Mary's pop in, so I think we can claim our outreach aim was achieved!

If you have any ideas about how to improve the event, please let Heather know.

The next cafe will be held from **10am until 1pm on Saturday 28 October.**

Cafes at St. John the Baptist Have Finished For This Year, But Will Return Next Year!

We have had an excellent season with the Cafes at St. John the Baptist, but with coming of the colder weather its time to hang up the apron for another year.

They will return sometime in April, so watch this space!

Thank you everyone for supporting these!

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)

Prerecorded 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.

Replacing St. Marys Church's Communion Vessels

Just a little note to reassure the St. Mary Congregation that our insurers have paid up and Rev. Alex will soon be buying replacements. (The current set is borrowed)

Regular Groups

Craft and Chatter

Every other Friday (Unless Notified) (Green Bin Day in Potton!) Next dates: Oct 13, 27

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.*

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 th Sunday after Trinity	Friends and Families				Judi Hobbs	Judi Hobbs	Joyce Jakes	
8.10.23 18 th 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 th Sunday after Trinity	Mark Williams Mary Williams	Treasure Box Communion			Janet Kilpatrick	Louise Landon	Linda Rosemary Kimber	Ben Hall
22.10.23 20 th 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)
17 October**

Please note change
of date

Zoom Code & Link for these services

Meeting ID: 815 0338 3687

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

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