



SUNDAY LINK



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

Sunday 4 February 2024, Candlemas

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)

Friday 2 February

11am—Funeral of Mr. Jim Seamer, St Swithuns Church Sandy

Saturday 3 February

3:30pm—Marriage Preparation Afternoon, St. Mary's Church Hall

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

3:30—Sutton Pancake Party (see p.2)

Wednesday 14 February

7.30—Ash Wednesday Service, St. Marys Church Potton

Weekly Events

- 9.30am** All Fridays, June, July, August, September
First Steps, See Notes on Page 3 for full details
- 7.30pm** **Craft and Chatter**, See Page 3 for full details/dates
- 2.45pm** Thursdays in School Term **Shine Together**, 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

*Lord Jesus Christ,
light of the nations and glory of Israel:
make your home among us,
and present us pure and holy
to your heavenly Father,
your God, and our God.
Amen*

Church Opening Times

St Mary's Potton 10am—4pm daily

All Saints' Sutton 9am—4pm daily

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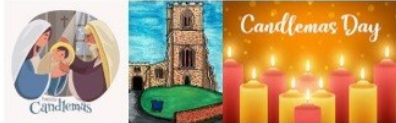
Going Deeper into God ♦ Transforming Communities ♦ Making new Disciples

Sad News: Pamela Tibbs

We were informed on Monday of the sad death of Pamela Tibbs on the 17th January at the age of 89. Pamela was for a time a regular congregant at St. Marys after her mobility prevented her from attending Sandy Methodist. Last March she moved to Margaret House care home, near Royston where the local Methodist church visited her regularly.

Her **funeral is on 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 Mary's Church, Hatley Road, Potton, SG19 2RP

FRIENDS & FAMILY SERVICE

Sunday 4th February 10.30-11.30 am

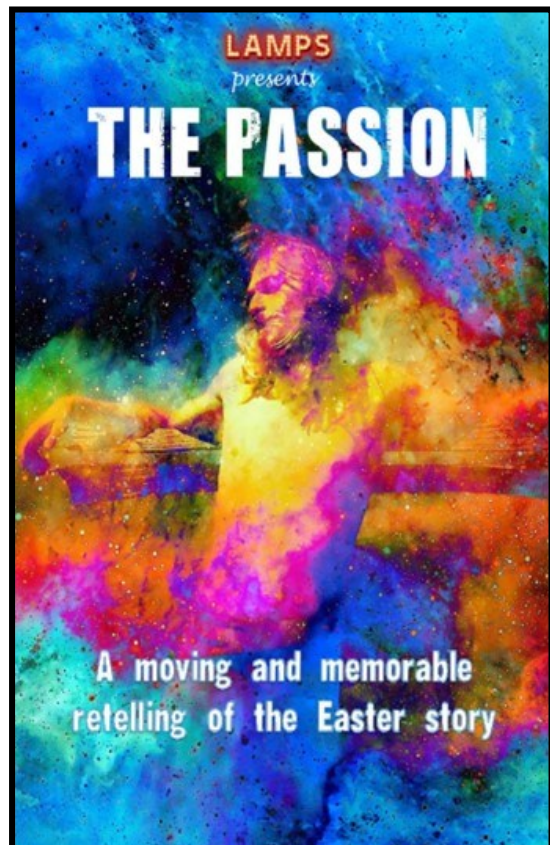
This month's theme is:

CANDLEMAS

- * Bible Story * Prayer * Music * Church Band * Friendship
- * Candle Holder Craft * Sewing * Knitting and Crochet * Tea * Coffee
- * Home-made Cakes * Surprise Treat *

'In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.'

Matthew 5:16



Saturday 23 March 2024

7pm

St. Marys Church, Potton

Tickets available from:
Camerons Newsagents, Potton
Tysoe Hardware shop, Potton
or contact Rev. Alex:
alex.wheatley.rector@gmail.com

Adults: £12.50

Children (under 16): FREE

Jim Seamer

Jim Seamer's funeral service will be held in **St Swithun's Church, Sandy on the 2nd February 2024 at 11am.** I have been told that all are welcome to attend. I believe the Area Dean will be leading the service.

This is likely to be a **very well attended service. Therefore if you require a seat we suggest getting there early.**

Similarly parking might be tight so we suggest **car sharing as much as possible.**




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




Readers of previous Links will be now be familiar with this new venture!
Thank you so much to all those who have volunteered to help with this course, but there is still a way people can help

Invite people to attend!

By far the best way to promote this course is by personal invitation. Perhaps you know someone who has been asking questions or you have a relative who is curious? If so be brave and invite them!
(There are plenty of flyers available in church)

Regular Groups

Craft and Chatter

Every other Friday (Unless Notified) *(Green Bin Day in Potton!)* Next dates: TBA

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.

NB. There are no Craft and Chatter meetings in December except for Members Christmas party on Dec 8th

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.

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:

Tuesday Group: (*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.

Friday Group: (*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 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

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

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 Rosanski	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 Genesis, 17:1-7,15,16	Heather Gale Romans, 4:13-25	Hazel Rozanska	No flowers	No flowers	Ros Tall Jane Le Sueur	Paul Taylor

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>

St Marys Church Hall
Communion Services
(all 12 noon)

20th February
19th March

If at any time you wish to unsubscribe from these emails then please reply and let us know