



SUNDAY LINK



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

Sunday 26 November 2023, Christ the King

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, November, December (Rtn January)
First Steps, See Notes on Page 2 for full details

7.30pm Craft and Chatter, See Page 2 for full details/dates

Diary (For Sunday Worship Please see final page)

Friday 24th November

12:45pm Parish Lunch, St. Mary's Parish Hall Potton
(NB. Tickets for the Parish Christmas Lunch
may be available today)

Saturday 25th November

10am\1pm Link Café, Community Centre, Brookend,
Potton

7.15pm Back to School Dinner, **POSTPONED** again

Wednesday 6th December

9.30am Internment of Ashes of Mr. Roy Geer, St. John the
Baptist Cockayne Hatley

7.30pm Potton PCC, St Mary's Church

Friday 15th December

12:45pm **Potton Christmas Parish Lunch**, St. Mary's Parish
Hall Potton, Tickets only, £18, on sale at the Lunch
on November 24th or call 01767 260193

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, Ade

Sutton: Roger;

Cockayne Hatley: Tony;

**For all those remembering their
dearly departed among them Irene
Byrne & Peter Filsel**

For peace throughout our world.

Church Opening Times

St Mary's Potton 10am–4pm daily

All Saints' Sutton 9am–4pm daily

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Living Gods Love with Generosity, Joy, Imagination and Courage

Going Deeper into God ♦ Transforming Communities ♦ Making new Disciples

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!

Christmas Food Bank Appeal

George will take another load of long-life food to Preen at Biggleswade on **Tuesday 19th December**. Please leave donations in the box in the porches St. Mary's Church porch and in All Saint's Church Sutton to help our local people in need.

Lets make an extra special effort to fill those containers before the 19th of December!

Guest Preacher

The 10:30 service at St. Marys (26th November) welcomes The Revd Will Gibbs as our guest preacher. Rev.

Gibbs is Canon for Mission and Pastoral Care, St. Albans Cathedral and will preach for the festival of Christ the King.

Candles for Ukraine

St Mary's Church and All Saints church will be drop off points for Sandy Rotary's Club's **Candles for Ukraine appeal**.

They are looking for new or used candles to melt down into large candles ready to be sent to Ukraine for a cold a difficult winter ahead. Large collection tubs will be available in the two church porches until the

Craft and Chatter Christmas Arrangement

As shown below, there will be no craft meetings in December but there will be a Christmas Party for the regular members Only, on December 8th, usual time, 7.30pm

Regular Groups

Craft and Chatter

Every other Friday (Unless Notified) (Green Bin Day in Potton!) Next dates: Nov 24th NB. There are no Craft and Chatter evenings in December except for the Regular Members Christmas party on December 8th

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 Gravestock on 01767 260430. First Steps returns in January.

Potton Parish Lunch in November

The delightful monthly lunch will take place at St. Marys Hall at 12:45pm on 24 November. £10 entry and all profits also go to St John's Hospice.

Special Christmas Parish Lunch

Tickets are also on sale for this year's Christmas Lunch, This special 2 course lunch will cost just £18 and takes place on December 15th at 12.45pm. Tickets will be on Sale at the November 24th lunch or via 01767 260193.

Raffle Prizes

Raffle prizes can be donated to all of our lunches The Christmas Raffle is the highlight of the year so please be generous!

News from St. Mary's "Open the Book" Team by Judi Hobbs

Last Wednesday, the outreach **Open the Book Team** performed the story of "Noah's Ark" during an assembly at Potton Primary School. The children were most attentive and seemed to have great fun, watching, listening and joining in with the performance. A large group of children played instruments, to represent the rain, while six Year 3 children (7/8 years old) were Noah's sons and their wives. The whole school joined in with our song and they seemed to enjoy the actions to each verse. Sarah accompanied with her guitar and played while the children walked into the hall and as they returned to their classes.

Friends and Family in Advent

This will be a great morning for the Children, making all sorts of Christmas items to take home to decorate their house or maybe their bedroom!

But one of the main jobs for the children is to decorate St Mary's Christmas Tree with some of the decorations they have made.

There will be Mums and Dads helping to reach the top of the tree but it's all good fun!

As the poster says:

"Our Christmas Tree Needs You" so come and join in the fun at the service on December 3rd!!



St Mary's Church, Hatley Road, Potton, SG19 2RP

FRIENDS & FAMILY SERVICE

Sunday 3rd December 10.30-11.30 am

This month's theme is:

ADVENT

Bible Story * Prayer * Music * Friendship * Christmas Crafts * Advent

Sewing * Knitting and Crochet * Christmas Colouring*

* Cake * Tea and Coffee * Surprise Treat*

Our Christmas Tree Needs You!



For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16



November 2023 Sunday Services and Rotas

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

| Date November 2023 | Potton 9am | Cockayne Hatley 9am | Sutton 9am | Potton 10.30am | Potton 7.15pm Service starts at 7.30pm | Cockayne Hatley 4pm |
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| 5 Nov | Morning Prayer | | Holy Communion | Friends and Family Service | | |
| 12 Nov Remembrance Sunday |  | Holy Communion | Holy Communion | Parade Service 10am Town Square. 11am: Silence & Wreaths | NightLight *** Contact for Zoom Link |  |
| 19 Nov | Morning Prayer | | Holy Communion | Communion with Treasure Boxes *** | | |
| 26 Nov Christ the King | Morning Prayer | | Service of the Word | Choral Communion with Guest Preacher | | Evening Prayer |

Potton Sunday Rota

| | Sidespersons | Reading 1 | Reading 2 | Prayers | Altar Flowers | Lady Chapel Flowers | Refreshments | Sound |
|--|-----------------------------|--|------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
| 5.11.23 4 th Sunday before Advent | Friends and Families | | | | Heather Gale | Rosemary Kimber | Joyce Jakes | |
| 12.11.23 3 rd Sunday before Advent | Remembrance Sunday | | | | | | | |
| 19.11.23 2 nd Sunday before Advent | John Rozanski June Moore | Treasure Box Communion | | | Rosemary Kimber | Rosemary Kimber | Jane Le Seuer Sue Colledge | Ben Hall |
| Christ the King 26.11.23 1 st Sunday before Advent | Ben Hall Laura Hall | George Price Ezekiel, 34:11- 16, 20-24 | Liz Price Ephesians, 1:15-23 | David Kilpatrick | Judi Hobbs | Judi Hobbs | Judi Hobbs Heather Gale | John Hobbs |

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

*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)

21 November

19 December

16 January

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