

SUNDAY LINK

St. Mary's Potton † All Saints' Sutton † St. John's Cockayne Hatley

August Part I (Ordinary Time)

Diary (For Sunday Worship please see final page)

Potton church open each day 10am – 4pm

Sutton church open each day 9am – 4pm

Friday 22 August

1pm: Wedding:

Keri-Louise McClane & Stuart Lewis (All Saints Sutton)

Saturday 23 August

1pm: Wedding of Bethany Shaw & Lewis French (St. Marys Potton)

Sunday 24 August

12 noon: Communion Server Training (St. Marys Potton)

Wednesday 27 August

6.30pm: Potton Prayers (St. Marys Potton)

Thursday 28 August

2pm: Funeral of Linda Priddey (St. Mary's Potton)

Saturday 30 August

10am-1pm: Link Café (Community Centre, Brook End, Potton)

2pm: 'Emma' Open Air Theatre, (Sutton, The Old Rectory)

Sunday 31 August

2pm-5pm: Classic Car Show, (Sutton Village)

Wednesday 3 September

3-5pm: Sutton Afternoon Tea

Thursday 4 September

7.30pm: Sutton PCC

Sunday 7 September

6pm: Pizza & Chat Youth Group (St. Swithun's, Sandy)

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Cockayne Hatley: <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/7398/>

Prayer

Those Who Have Asked for Our Prayers

Deanery: Revd. Liz Lavelle

Potton: Chris, Dave & Fran, Rob & Lynn & Family, Paula, Sandra, Vivienne, Joyce, Susan, Maggie, Nigel, Ade, Pat, Shelly, Sophie, Michael, Bill, Janet, Eve, Sheila, Michelle, Santos, Clive

Sutton: Roger

Those Who Have Died Recently

Linda Priddey

Prayer for Growth

God of Mission who alone brings growth to your Church, send your Holy Spirit to give:
Vision to our planning,
Wisdom to our actions,
And power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you and in service to our local community, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Current Conflict List

It's easy for our prayers for peace to only rest on those places we see in our news headlines. Below is a more complete list. We provide this not to depress, but to give a focus for your prayers for peace. (Source: Wikipedia)

Myanmar	Afghanistan Somali
Israel-Palestine	Nigeria
North Africa insurgency, various nations)	Congo
Sudan	Mexico
Ukraine—Russia	Syria
Ethiopia	Cameroon Yemen
Colombia	Haiti

Prayer for School Holidays

Father, thank you for times of rest and refreshment. Give to educators and pupils alike, a good time of rest and relaxation ready for the next school year. We pray also for those awaiting exam results and decisions on their futures.
Amen

Upcoming Sunday Readings

24 August: Acts 5:12-16 --- 1 Corinthians 4:9-15 --- John 1: 43-51

31 August: Unity Service

7 September: Jeremiah 18:1-11 --- Philemon 1:1-21 --- Luke 14:25-33

14 September: Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28 --- 1 Timothy 1:12-17 ---- Luke 15:1-10

Would you like to be a Communion Server at St. Mary's?

Is Holy Communion a really important part of your faith?

Are you looking for a small but important way to serve at St. Marys?

St. Mary's are looking to increase its numbers of Communion Servers. This is someone who helps serve the consecrated wine at any of our Communion services. You would hold either the 'dipping chalice' or administer the common cup. The level of commitment will vary depending on the numbers we recruit, but hopefully you would only be on the rota once a month (with the possibility of swapping with other people as and when you need to). You need to be Confirmed and a regular communicant to fulfil this role. '

If you are interested please contact Rev. Alex and come to the training scheduled for **Sunday 24 August** following the post service refreshments (around 12 noon). If you cannot make that date we will provide other sessions.

St. Marys Potton and Salvation Army Potton would like to invite you to the...

Unity Service 2025



Sunday 31 August – 10:30am – St. Mary's Church Hall

Following the success of the unity services at Party on Potton we are holding an informal service of songs, prayers & praises as we celebrate each other and the one who unites us.

All Pottonians of any age regardless of denomination including those who attend churches outside the town are very welcome! Indeed, we would love to see you there!

"...let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body"

(Colossians 3:15)



St. Mary's Church, Potton
We love Potton because God loved Potton first.



First Steps Break

Our wonderful toddler group will not be meeting on the following dates:

Friday 22 August

Friday 29 August

Friday 5 September

All being well they will resume meeting on Friday 12 September.



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

FRIENDS & FAMILY SERVICE

Sunday 7th September 10.30-11.30 am

This month's theme is:

Adam and Eve

* Bible Story * Prayer * Music * Church Band * Lego Challenge *

* Adam and Eve Colouring Cubes * Sewing * Knitting and Crochet *

Mindfulness Colouring * Cake * Tea and Coffee * Surprise Treat *

The LORD God made all kinds of trees grow out of the ground—trees that were pleasing to the eye and good for food. In the middle of the garden were the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Genesis 2:9



THE NEED PROJECT
CHRISTIANS FIGHTING FOOD POVERTY

Thank you to anyone who has left non-perishable grocery or toiletry items in the crate in St. Mary's Church porch. George Price contacts the charity about once a month to ask for the donations to be collected. You can find out more about the Need Project here:

<https://theneedproject.org/>

Licensing Service for Dawn Kerridge!

We are very pleased to announce that Dawn Kerridge has been approved to be licensed as a lay reader! This is exciting news and we are very pleased for her and for us as she begins a new ministry amongst us.

Dawn will be licenced with other candidates at a special service at

St. Albans Cathedral on 28 September at 4pm.

Please come and celebrate with her.

If you need a lift please make yourself known to Rev. Alex and he'll pair you with someone.



Sutton's 'Classic Weekend'

We are holding a Classic Weekend in Sutton on Saturday 30th and Sunday 31st
August 2025:

"This is My Theatre" are returning to The Old Rectory with their production of
"**Emma**" by Jane Austen on
Saturday 30th August at 2pm.

This will be followed by Afternoon Tea on the Terrace. Please see the flyer for
details.

To book please email:

joannahollington@btinternet.com or call 01767 261910

On Sunday 31st August, again at 2pm., we are having a "**Classic Car**" afternoon at
The Old Rectory. There will also be a Display of Dolls Houses and an Art Exhibition
in the Church. If you would like to display your car, please contact:

joannahollington@btinternet.com or call 01767 261910 to reserve a space in front of
the house. We will also be using Church Field.

**THIS MY
THEATRE** *Emma*
*by
Jane Austen*
Open Air Theatre
followed by
Afternoon Tea on the Terrace
in aid of All Saints Church

Saturday 30th August
The Old Rectory Sutton SG19 2NB
at 2 p.m.

~ Licensed Bar ~ Ice creams ~

Tickets:
Theatre only £17.50 (Under 16 £12)
Theatre + Tea £30
Box Office: email: joannahollington@btinternet.com
(There will be a marquee in case of bad weather!)



**Classic
Cars**
in aid of All Saints Church

Sunday 31st August
2 p.m. - 5 p.m.
The Old Rectory Sutton SG19 2NB

~ Afternoon Tea ~
~ Exhibition of Dolls Houses ~
~ Art Display ~ Raffle ~
~ Garden Railway ~ Plant Stall ~

Entry £5
Children U16 free

Exhibitors £5 per car
inc. one passenger

For info contact joannahollington@btinternet.com

Café Page

ALL SAINTS CHURCH
SUTTON

AFTERNOON TEA



First Wednesday of the
month at 3 p.m.

5th March	2nd July	1st October
2nd April	6th August	5th November
7th May	3rd September	3rd December
4th June		

ALL WELCOME

Cockayne Café

at St. John the Baptist Cockayne Hatley

A delightful café in the amazing and fascinating space of St. John the Baptist Cockayne Hatley. Tea, coffee, cake and Ploughman's Lunches served to you at your table! There are some lovely walks adjacent to the church so this could be the making of a lovely afternoon!

12 noon to 4pm

2nd Saturday of the Month

Please note some of the following are different to previous adverts

9 August

6 September

13 September: Bike & Hike Café (No lunches)

6 December: Christmas Café



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 26 April
Saturday 31 May
Saturday 28 June
Saturday 26 July
Saturday 30 August
Saturday 27 September
Saturday 25 October
Saturday 29 November

No café in December. Instead, there will be two cafes in January!

Saturday 3 January
Saturday 31 January

10am-1pm at the Community Centre Book End, Pottton



Includes Children's Area with toys and fun craft activities!



Upcoming Sunday Services

Date	Cockayne Hatley (Sunday Morning)	Sutton (Sunday Morning)	Potton (Sunday Morning)	Evening Services
24 August Barthomew Apostle 4 th Sunday of Month		9am Service of the Word	10:30 Choral Communion	4pm Evening Prayer (Cockayne Hatley)
31 August (Ordinary Time) 5 th Sunday of Month		9am Holy Communion	10:30 Unity Service ST. MARY HALL	
7 September (Ordinary Time) 1 st Sunday of the Month		9am Holy Communion	10:30 Family & Friends	
14 September (Ordinary Time) 2 nd Sunday of the Month	9am Holy Communion	10am Breakfast Church	10:30 Holy Communion	7:30pm Nightlight (St. Mary's Pottpn)
21 September (Ordinary Time) 3 rd Sunday of the Month		9am Holy Communion	10:30 Treasure Box Communion	5.30pm Taize Service (Cockayne Hatley)

Our Apologies...

At present it is not possible to access any of our services via Zoom. We aim to get this resolved quickly.

**St Mary's Church Hall
Communion Services**
(at 12 noon)
16 September
21 October

Potton Prayers
All at 6.30pm in St. Marys
Potton
27 August
24 September

Morning Prayer
9am
Thursday: Sutton
Friday: Potton

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.

*If at any time you wish to unsubscribe from these emails then please contact Rev. Alex
(see page 1 for contact details)*