

SUNDAY LINK

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

September Part II (Ordinary Time)

Diary (For Sunday Worship please see final page)

Potton church open each day 10am – 4pm

Sutton church open each day 9am – 4pm

Sunday 21 September

5.30pm: Taize Service (St. John the Baptist Cockayne Hatley)

Saturday 27 September

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

Sunday 28 September

4pm: Licensing, Dawn Kerridge, Lay Reader (St. Albans Cathedral)

Sunday 5 October

12: Lunch and MAP goal setting, St. Marys Church Hall

6pm: Pizza & Chat Youth Group, St. Marys Church Hall

Wednesday 8 October

7.30pm: Potton PCC

Thursday 18 October

7pm: Friends Sutton Church French Night, Sutton Village Hall

Sunday 19 October

5.30pm: LAST Taize Service, St. John Baptist Cockayne Hatley

21 October

12: Holy Communion in St. Mary's Hall

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

Prayer

Those Who Have Asked for Our Prayers

Deanery: Revd. Liz Lavelle, Rev Tim

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

Those Who Have Died Recently

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 Ending of Summer

Father, we give you thanks for gift of summer. For times outside and times of rest. Strengthen us as we leave it behind and prepare for Autumn and eventually winter. Amen

Upcoming Sunday Readings

21 September (St. Matthew): Proverbs 3:13-18 --- 2 Corinthians 4:1-6 --- Matthew 9:9-13

28 September: Jeremiah 32:1-3, 6-15 --- 1 Timothy 6:6-19 --- Luke 16: 19-end

Note: Potton will be celebrating their Harvest Festival. Readings on their Rota will therefore be different.

5 October: Lamentations 1:1-6 --- 2 Timothy 1:1-14 --- Luke 17:5-10

12 October: Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7 --- 2 Timothy 2:8-15 --- Luke 17: 11-19

Taizé Services

at St. John the Baptist Cockayne Hatley
2025

Taizé is a simple, meditative form of Christian worship, utilising short contemporary chants, prayerful silence, Bible readings to guide the focus of prayer and a candle lit environment. The services call us to dwell deeply on Christ's presence within and among us.

The Church of St. John the Baptist Cockayne Hatley is set in beautiful rural countryside, away from busy life. It is therefore the perfect place to retreat to for the services and we would love for you to join us.

18 May

15 June

20 July

17 Aug

21 Sept

19 Oct

All services start at 5.30pm

Contact Rev. Alex for more details:
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St. John the Baptist Cockayne Hatley
is off Hatley Road. Postcode: SG19 2EA

Harvest Collections!

It will soon be time for our Harvest Services in which we ask attendees to bring an item of nonperishable food in solid packaging (nothing a mouse can nibble through!) to donate to the need project. Here are the dates for these services:

28 September: St. Mary's Harvest Festival

5 October: St. Marys Family & Friends

12 October: All Saints Harvest Festival

26 October: St. John Baptist Evensong

Conclusion of Potton Prayers

Unfortunately, due to lack of interest we have decided to let go of the Potton Prayers meetings. We will express our unity in other ways. Thank you.

Licensing Service for Dawn Kerridge!

Dawn Kerridge's licensing is fast approaching!

St. Albans Cathedral on 28 September at 4pm.

Please come and celebrate with her.

There is also the option of going to a restaurant to celebrate after this service. Please let Rev. Alex know if you wish to come to this meal

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



There is also the option of watching the service online, via this webpage on the Cathedrals website:
<https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&source=web&rct=j&opi=89978449&url=https://www.stalbanscathedral.org/live-streaming-at-st-albans-cathedral&ved=2ahUKEwjHlv6A8d2PAXWRQEEAHQGol6lQFnoECCAQAQ&usg=AOvVaw1qfF-bz-Xgc8lto6zE9a5C>

Lunch and MAP Goal Setting (St. Marys)

A Mission Action Plan or MAP is way of providing busy churches with a focus to make sure they achieve what they are called to. All three churches have made excellent progress against their goals and so it's time to set some new targets. Both St. Johns & All Saints have set new goals in the last few months and its now St. Mary's turn.

On Sunday **5 October following the 10:30** Family & Friends service there will be a lunch in the hall during which the congregation & PCC will set two new goals. A signup sheet is available at the back of church

FOSC French Dinner



18th October 2025
at Sutton Village
Hall

7 for 7:30,
For tickets contact:
Sue - 260 679
Pippa – 260 226

3 course French meal and licensed bar

Glass of French fizz to start 

£27.50 per person



In aid of Friends of Sutton Church

Sea Sunday Service 2025

Join us at **All Saints Church in Sutton (SG19 2NB)** on the **19th October at 10am** as we celebrate Sea Sunday. Together we will pray for all Merchant & Royal Navy seafarers who work in dangerous and lonely conditions for the benefit of all.

Through readings and rousing hymns this service will focus on the sea and those whose vocation leads them there. It will also include a moment of remembrance for all who have died at sea. Refreshments will be served after the service

Please join us for this important service.



*Some went down to the sea in ships, doing business on the mighty waters;
they saw the deeds of the Lord, his wondrous works in the deep.*

(Psalm 107: 23-24)

***Some notices from our friends at
Salvation Army Potton....***

**Celebrate Harvest at
Potton Salvation Army with a
Harvest Afternoon Tea and Quiz**


Saturday 11th October
Afternoon tea – 4pm
Quiz – 6pm

**Afternoon
Tea & Quiz -
£10**


**Quiz Ticket -
£3**

Ticketed Event
Tickets from Potton Salvation Army, Chapel
Street, Potton
Please advise of any dietary requirements
when booking





**Coffee Morning in aid of
St John's Hospice, Moggerhange**



Come along to The Salvation Army, Chapel Street, Potton
On
18th October 2025
10am— 12noon

**Tea/Coffee/
Hot Chocolate**

**SAUSAGE
BUTTIES**

FACE PAINTING

CAKES

AND MORE!

Regular Cafés in our Benefice & our Ecumenical Friends

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
Saturday 3 January
Saturday 31 January

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

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



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

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



Café's & Coffee Mornings at Salvation Army Potton



We host a range of meet ups and opportunities' for fellowship in our building on Chapel Street.
We' look forward to welcoming you!

Monday

Open door 10.am -11.30am
Meet for tea/coffee and chat
CAMEO: - come and meet each other
And have soup 12noon (£3)
Starts 2nd September



Wednesday

Open door 10.am -11.30am
Meet for tea/coffee and chat
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Friday

Open door 10.am -11.30am
Meet for tea/coffee and chat

Saturday
10-11.30am

Coffee Morning
First Saturday of the month (Bacon Rolls)
Third Saturday of the month (Sausage Baps)



Discover more at

Potton Salvation Army Chapel Street. 01767 261128



Upcoming Sunday Services

Date	Cockayne Hatley (Sunday Morning)	Sutton (Sunday Morning)	Potton (Sunday Morning)	Evening Services
21 September (St. Matthew) 3 rd Sunday of the Month		9am Holy Communion	10:30 Treasure Box Communion	5.30pm Taize Service (Cockayne Hatley)
28 September (Potton Harvest) 4 th Sunday of the Month		9am Service of the Word	10:30 Choral Communion for Harvest	4pm Evening Prayer (Cockayne Hatley)
5 October (Ordinary Time) 1 st Sunday of the Month		9am Holy Communion	10:30 Family & Friends for Harvest	7:30 Nightlight (see advert for Zoom Link)
12 October (Sutton Harvest) 2 nd Sunday of the Month	9am Holy Communion	10am Breakfast Church for Harvest	10:30 Holy Communion	6pm Little Stars
19 October (Sea Sunday) 3 rd Sunday of the Month		10am Holy Communion	←	5.30pm Taize Service (Cockayne Hatley)

St Mary's Church Hall Communion Services

(at 12 noon)

21 October

18 November

Morning Prayer

9am

Thursday: Sutton

Friday: Potton

Our Apologies...

At present it is not possible to access any of our services via Zoom (**except for Nightlight which is still available**). We aim to get this resolved quickly.

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)