

SUNDAY LINK

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

October 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

Wednesday 1 October

2pm-4.30pm: Sutton Afternoon Tea, All Saints Sutton

Sunday 5 October

12: Lunch and MAP goal setting, St. Mary's Church Hall Potton

6pm: Pizza & Chat Youth Group, St. Mary's Church Hall Potton

Wednesday 8 October

7.30pm: Potton PCC

Sunday 12 October

6.30pm: 'Little Stars' (Service for Baby Loss Awareness Week)

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

Tuesday 21 October

12 noon: Holy Communion in St. Mary's Hall Potton

Saturday 25 October

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

Sunday 2 November

4:30pm: 'Remembering our Loved Ones' (All Souls), St. Marys

6pm: Pizza & Chat Youth Group, Sandy Parish Rooms

Wednesday 5 November

2pm-4.30pm: Sutton Afternoon Tea, All Saints Sutton

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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

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

19 October: Jeremiah 31:27-34 --- 2 Timothy 3:14- 4:5 --- Luke 18:1-8

We celebrate Sea Sunday on this date so the readings will be different.

26 October: Isaiah 45:22-end --- Romans 15:1-6 --- Luke 4: 16-24



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

FRIENDS & FAMILY SERVICE

Sunday 5th October 10.30-11.30 am

This month's theme is:

HARVEST

*Bible Story * Prayer * Music * Church Band * Friendship

*Scarecrow Craft * Sewing * Knitting & Crochet* Chatter*

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



NEED PROJECT FOOD BANK, <https://theneedproject.org/>

Give THANKS to the Lord, for he is good; his LOVE endures forever. Psalm 107:1



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

Harvest Collections!

At our Harvest Services 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.

5 October: St. Marys Family & Friends

12 October: All Saints Harvest Festival

26 October: St. John Baptist Evensong

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

Bible Sunday (26 October)

The 26th of October is Bible Sunday, a day set aside in the church calendar to celebrate the gift of God's word. As part of the services at both Potton &

Sutton we would like you to bring your own personal Bibles to the service so that we might say a prayer of thanksgiving for them!

Also, at Potton our collection will go towards the buying of Bibles to give out as gifts at occasions like Confirmation or Adult baptism. Therefore please be generous!

(We'd encourage you to bring cash just in case the card machine doesn't work!)

An evening of Support & Reflection

(as part of 'National Baby Loss Week' and 'Wave of Light')



Please come and join us for an evening of support and remembrance of our little stars that are no longer with us but who we think of everyday. 'Wave of Light' is an opportunity to join with 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 need 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 12th October @ 6:30pm,
St Mary's Church, Potton**

Contact: Fl 07771 755508 / Paula 07484 899596

Remembering Our Loved Ones

The All Soul's Memorial Service 2025

2nd November 2025, 4.30pm.

St. Mary's Church Potton.

Hatley Road, SG19 2RP.

You, your family and friends are invited to a memorial service to remember those whom we love but see no longer.

If you wish to add a name to the list of those persons to be remembered by name please add to the list on the welcome desks in Potton and Sutton Churches.

May the souls of the departed, in the mercy and love of God, rest in peace and rise in glory.

There is no requirement to RSVP.
For further information please contact Rev. Alex Wheatley
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Nightlight

Sunday 5th October
2025 St Mary's Church

Service starts at 7.30pm
with the option of
arriving at 7.15pm for
refreshments

Also on Zoom for anyone confined
at home

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

October's theme:
Proverbs

NOTE!

Nightlight has moved
from the second
Sunday to the first for
this month only! It is
on the 5th NOT the
12th!

Dawn Kerridge: Our Newest Lay Reader!

Our biggest and warmest congratulations to Dawn Kerridge who has now been licensed as Lay Reader for our Benefice. Our thanks to everyone who supported her at the service either in person or online.

Dawn is currently on placement, but will be back with us in November.




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, Moggerhanger**



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

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

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, Potton



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

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
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)
26 October (Bible Sunday) (Cockayne Havest) 4 th Sunday of the Month		9am Service of the Word	10:30 Choral Communion	4pm Harvest Evensong
2 November (All Saints Day) 1 st Sunday of the Month		9am Holy Communion	10:30 Family & Friends	

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.

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

**Conclusion of
Potton Prayers**
Unfortunately, due to lack
of interest we have
decided to let go of the
Potton Prayers meetings.

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)*