

DIARY DATES FOR MARCH 2026

1 st	8.30 am	Holy Communion in St Peter's Church
3 rd	7.00 pm	Church bells to be rung for 1 hour
5 th		Prescription Rota Babs Grenet 670978
12 th	7.30 pm	REG meeting in the Village Hall. Please come and share your ideas.
15 th	10.30 am	Holy Communion in St Peter's Church
17 th	11.30 am	Mobile Library at Bus Shelter
19 th	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting in Village Hall
29 th		REG volunteering Day and Children's art exhibition

A Date for your Diary

Kineton Art Group's annual Art Exhibition and Sale of Paintings will be held on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th May 2026 at Kineton Village Hall, Mill Street, Kineton

This will be the only exhibition this year so be sure to put the date in your diary. Entrance is free and doors will be open from 10.00 am until 4.00 pm each day.

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Parish Council

Councillor Vacancy

The Parish Council is still looking for someone to join the team following Clare's resignation last year. If you would like to know more about what is involved with being on the PC or are indeed interested in joining it, then please contact Simon Hooker (07740 844304).

Care Services

Warwickshire County Council have published a Care Services Directory for 2026. The booklet details information for adults looking for care or support within the county, whether you are seeking private care or receiving it from one of the many services offered by the council. The directory contains information on the services that would allow you to remain independent in your own home, moving into a housing with care scheme, or a care home with nursing provision. If you are interested in taking a copy of the directory, either for yourself, or someone you know, please contact Simon Hooker (07740 844304) or any member of the Parish Council (we have around 25 copies available). It is a great resource that brings together a lot of information.

Hedge Cutting

Spring will be here before we know it, so now is a great time to cut back hedges that have started to encroach onto footpaths or the roads around the village. Many of the hedges along the roads into and out of the village have been tackled by the local farming community in the last few weeks – thank you. So, before the birds start to build their nests and the leaves start to grow, now is the

perfect time to trim back your hedges from the paths and roads within the village.

Radway Events Group

The winter is always a quiet time for the Radway Events Group (REG). However, our first event of the year - the Board Games evening - will have taken place by the time you are reading this. It is something new and if it proves popular will be something we try again. As always, REG are interested to hear what you in the village would like to do by way of community and fun events, particularly for those of you with families. So, if you have any ideas then please bring them and yourself, to the next REG meeting!

A few things already in the pipeline and dates for your diary are:

- **Sunday 29th March** - Volunteering Day – an opportunity to join in with village maintenance and tidying up activities, followed by refreshments in the Village Hall. We normally organise litter picking, village hall and church cleaning, footpath maintenance and sign cleaning tasks, but if you have any suggestions then please come along from 10:00am and we will see what we can achieve in and around the village before tea / coffee and a sausage or bacon roll are served at around midday.
- **May** (date TBC) – A talk in the village hall – presenter TBC.
- **Saturday 6th June** – Open Garden at The Grange – An event specifically organised to raise money for the church roof.
- **Saturday 18th July** - Progressive Supper. A fun evening to spend some time with old and new friends in the village, accompanied by wonderful home cooked food, a natter and a glass of something to keep you going!

The next REG meeting will be on **Thursday 12th March, 2026** in the Village Hall at 7:30pm. It would be great to have some new faces and fresh ideas at the REG meetings, so please do come along.

Church News

For many years Radway has had the tradition of decorating the church with lilies for Easter in memory of loved ones.

The lilies are ordered from a local florist who has kindly kept the price at £2.50 per stem for many years. Hopefully it will be the same this year!

If you would like to order lilies please contact Sandra Wilkins, Gunby Hall, mob 07721058044 or by the Radway 'What's App' by 19th March.

Tea, Chat and Play is run in the Village Hall every Wednesday afternoon, between 3.00 and 4.30 pm. Everyone is very welcome to come and share good company and delicious homemade cake for a small contribution to help us cover our costs.

“Fix Our Roof” the Church Restoration Project

A small working party continues to meet regularly to plan our application to the National Lottery Heritage Fund. We are close to having the Project Enquiry Form ready to go. This is a short summary of what we need to do and how we plan to ensure that the church and the Civil War Exhibition remain open and welcoming to all. Hopefully we will then be given the go-ahead by the National Lottery to start building works. In the meantime, you are still very welcome to enter the building but please take note of the red and white tape and the notices asking you to stay safe.

Further Information on Heating Oil

Following the mention of the oil syndicate available in Radway last month, please note that we also have the benefit of local oil deliveries through Red Horse Fuels. 01926 642832. They are well priced and very accommodating. There is also Evesons Fuels at Long Marston and Ackerman & Niece are in Chipping Norton.

Cricket Club Update.

Radway Cricket Club would like to thank all the people who have volunteered their time to get the grounds and Pavilion up and ready for the coming season and maintain it throughout.

Special thanks to Mr and Mrs Richards who are supporting us and allowing Rob Walker to use some work time to help us. Rob will co ordinate the WhatsApp group of grounds maintenance. Whether you have little time or lots of time it all helps. If you want a copy of meeting notes please let me have your email and I will add you to the distribution list. The urgent works are connected to the roof, guttering and ground movement. Secretary email Mich@tysoe.net or WhatsApp 07976292001. We have bookings for the pitch throughout the season and a couple of dates reserved for village cricket. All ages welcome.

