DIARY DATES FOR NOVEMBER 2026

1st	8.30 am	Holy Communion in St Peter's Church
8th	10.45 am	Remembrance Sunday Service at Lych Gate
12th		Prescription rota – Lilian Smith-Vincent 670767
13th	7.00 pm	Quiz night in the Village Hall – see main text.
15th	10.30 am	Holy Communion in St Peter's Church
19th	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting in the Village Hall All welcome.
24th	11.30 to 11.50 am	Mobile Library at bus shelter
26th		Prescription rota – Babs Grenet 670978
29th	10.30 am	Benefice Communion Service at Radway

IMPORTANT: NOVEMBER 5th

Please remember that we have an understanding in the village that we will not have large firework displays in our gardens for two reasons:

1) The number of thatched buildings here that are extra vulnerable.

2) The number of dogs, cats, horses, cattle and sheep in close proximity who are easily frightened by fireworks, and may panic and injure themselves.

Thank you for supporting this.

Your Parish Council

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Parish Council News

Heating Cost Support

With the heat of the summer now beginning to fade as a distant memory, it is perhaps time to remind everyone that if you are having trouble meeting your heating bills this winter there is support available from Stratford District Council in the form of the Energy Support Fund. There are eligibility criteria for both income and vulnerability to qualify for support. If you would like more information to see whether you might qualify for assistance please visit the Act on Energy website, or call Act on Energy directly on 0800 988 2881. Alternatively, any member of the Parish Council would be happy to help you, so please get in touch if you need help.

Burglaries

Following the recent burglaries in the village the Parish Council has been in touch with our local Police Liaison Officer to see if there are any crime prevention talks or information that can be made available to residents. Please look out for further information on this topic when we have more to tell you. We are also seeking to get in touch with Kineton DMC to see whether their drive-by security patrols might be re-instated at some point. In the meantime please be extra vigilant, report anything unusual to the police and remember to lock doors, windows, garages and garden sheds.

Next PC Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting will take place on Thursday 19th November at 7:30pm in the Village Hall.

Church News

Roof Repair and Restoration

The church roof group are thrilled to let everyone know that we have been successful in our National Lottery Heritage Fund bid so the repairs can be made! More details will follow over the next few weeks, but in the meantime, thank you to everyone who has supported and helped us so far.

Remembrance Sunday is a significant date in our calendar where the nation unites to remember and honour those who have sacrificed themselves to secure and protect our freedom.

Jane Stewart and Emily Mellor are coming round with a tray full of the traditional poppies. They plan to knock on your house doors before the end of the week.

This year, Remembrance Sunday falls on November 8th and all residents are warmly invited to the Lychgate for a service which will start at 10.45 am. A wreath will be laid and we will read out the names of those from Radway who fell in both World Wars.

Harvest

The Church Council would like to thank all those that came along to the service on October 5th. Sadly neither Sarah nor Andrew Douthwaite were able to be with us but Andrew submitted a moving account on line telling us about the joys and challenges of life on the farm over the last year, which Matthew played to the congregation.

As ever, the people who spend hours decorating the church and arranging the harvest gifts surpassed themselves. The supper in the Village Hall on September 28th was an enjoyable evening with delicious food and the usual fun auction.

The PCC would also like to say a big thank you to all those who auctioned, cooked and served, recognizing how much time, effort and generosity goes into making any event a success. An amazing total of £550 was raised and £275 was sent to both the church roof fund and the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Society.

Radway Events Group (REG) News

The Apple Pressing on 10th October was, as usual, a popular community event. Despite the very hot and dry summer, there were plenty of apples (although no pears) to keep the choppers, crushers, squeezers and bottlers busy. There was plenty of juice produced and it was as tasty as ever! The addition of the baking competition added a new level of interest on the day. There were lots of lovely apple related baked items to taste – congratulations to everyone who won a prize! A huge thankyou to Rosamund and Mike for organising the event again this year, it is a lot of work to organise, make refreshments and make sure everyone is kept busy. There are a couple more REG events coming up before the end of the year, so please make sure these are in your diaries and let's send out 2026 with a real community spirit.

Quiz Night – Friday 13th November - 7pm in the Village Hall

The Quiz Night is fast approaching. This is not intended to be Radway's answer to mastermind, but more a bit of fun and an opportunity to give your memory a bit of a workout even it is a bit flabby and not as flexible as it once was!! We need teams of up to six people to register with Guy (see below for contact details) before the event. Each team will be asked to come up with ten questions on a theme or topic that Guy will assign – just remember when setting your questions that the aim is not to ensure every other team gets zero points on your round! Tickets are £10 per person including a jacket potato and toppings. Please bring your own drinks and additional nibbles to share with your team.
Contact Guy via WhatsApp on 07720775266 or guywrichardson@hotmail.com

Carols around the tree – Wednesday 23rd December 6pm at the bus stop.

The annual carol singing around the village Christmas Tree heralds the start of the Christmas festivities for many people in the village. This year we will split the singing into two halves with mulled wine and mince pies served during a short interval – to keep everyone warm, well lubricated and in fine voice!

Radway cricket club

The end of season review reflects the praise received from users of the pitch for its condition and that of the club house. The success of the 2 events held for our village means we will hold 3 events next season. The end of season pitch works have been carried out and the annual hedge cut done.

The winter works programme will involve work on the ground to resolve some of the dry weather cracking. The screens frames need to be refurbished and the pavilion floor needs repair works. The guttering needs clearing and the toilets and shower areas need to be upgraded.

As you can see, there are many jobs and we do ask for volunteers. If you would like to help we will be having various small working groups tackle each job separately. Please let Frank or Michele know if you would like to help in any small or big way. Our thanks go to everyone who has done anything to help the club : Cake makers. BBQ cooks. Rubbish disposal. Special thanks to Peter Briscoe for his regular grass cutting and to Rob and Phil for the square maintenance. George J-Briscoe for bringing the gang mower back to life, Frank for team selection, village match organisation and watering and Jack and Johnny Wish for early season ground prep work. Everyone who came to help paint the pavilion. Huge thanks to all. We are **the village** cricket club and we hope you feel part of it. Michele.