

DIARY DATES FOR MARCH 2024

1 st	2.30 pm	World Day of Prayer at Hornton Church
3 rd	8.30 am	Holy Communion in St Peter's Church
5 th	11.30 am	Mobile Library at Bus Shelter
7 th	7.30 pm	Book Club - Sarah Ogilvie will make a presentation in the Village Hall about her book "The Dictionary People". Everyone is welcome to come along. Prescription Rota – John Feilding 07718 037142
15 th	7.00 pm	Beetle Drive in the Village Hall. (see the text in this newsletter)
17 th	10.30 am	Holy Communion in St Peter's Church
21 st		Prescription Rota – Julie Jackson 670747
23 rd	10 am start	The Big Help Out Day – see the Parish Council news on page one of this newsletter.
31 st	3.00 pm	Easter Sunday Communion Service in St Peter's Church

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RADWAY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER MARCH 2024

Parish Council News

Big Help Out – 23rd March 2024

Following the success of last year's national "Big Help Out Day" it was agreed that this should become an annual event but held earlier in the year. The day's about bringing people together to volunteer, perhaps for the first time to help improve our environment. Volunteers are invited to meet at the village hall at 10.00am and decide which of the following "jobs" they would like to undertake:

- Litter picking around the village
- Cleaning the road signs in the village
- "Cutting back" around kissing gates / pathways
- Spring cleaning the village hall
- Spring cleaning St Peter's Church
- Cleaning and tidying the play equipment

At 12.00 noon all volunteers to reassemble in the village hall for tea and butties!

Please come along and help improve our lovely village.

Repairs to the Climbing frame

The climbing frame in the recreation ground will be repaired on 13th March 2024.

Handrail for Jacob's Ladder

Further funding has been secured from Cotswold National Landscape (CNL) to enable the handrail to be made from recycled plastic rather than a basic steel rail. Warwickshire County Council can now proceed to install the new handrail.

Planning applications

Applecross Fields, Tysoe Road, have applied to change the use of the land from agricultural to community use, reflecting its use by Woods and Wellies. The PC raised concerns about the validity of the application and Stratford have determined that the application should have had a "Heritage Statement". This will address the impact of the development on its setting

and neighbouring heritage assets which include the Battlefields Trust, Cotswold National Landscape and Warwickshire Wildlife Trust. When the application has been re-validated a fresh 15 working day consultation period will start.

Millstone Cottage has applied for planning permission to build a single storey garage to the side of the property. No objection.

Anaerobic Digester

A decision from Stratford District Council is still awaited.

Church News

Easter Lilies

Radway has a tradition of decorating St Peter's Church with lilies at Easter, in memory of relatives & friends who have passed away. Easter Sunday falls on the 31st March this year. If you would like to order any lilies, please contact Sandra on 07721 058044 by 19th March. Gill Hawtin at Flower Thyme in Kineton has kindly kept the price, £2.50 per stem, for several years, hopefully it will be the same this year!

Exhibition Management Group – St Peter's Church

Hopefully all residents are aware of the award-winning exhibition on the Battle of Edgehill which, with the aid of National Lottery funding, we were able to open in the church 10 years ago. We are looking for some more volunteers to help oversee the management and maintenance of exhibition. Meetings are held regularly when the silica bags are changed in the exhibition cases and there may be opportunities to help deliver talks and guided walks to school groups and other visitors. If you would like more information about joining the group, please contact David Beaumont on 01926 641076, or Jon Downing on 01295 597187.

An Access Ramp

As part of our ongoing development and maintenance of the church building it is proposed to create a permanent ramp for the church entrance which will make the building easily accessible for everyone. Work on this has been delayed by the weather, but we anticipate it will start in the next few weeks. Hopefully it will cause only minimal obstruction to visitors, but during the work please pay attention to any warning notices by the door.

World Day of Prayer

This year it takes place on Friday 1st March at 2.30 pm at Hornton Church. The service was prepared by Christian women of Palestine, and will no doubt be especially poignant this year. This is an open occasion, and all are welcome.

Fosse Foodbank

Fosse Foodbank, part of The Trussell Trust, is based in St Peter's Church, Kineton. We distribute food parcels for those in need, in the area stretching from Southam across to Wellesbourne.

We would like to thank those in the village who have given Food or Finance during 2023, as yet again, demand has increased significantly year on year, and your contributions are very much appreciated.

The figures below show a steady annual increase:

Year:	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Parcels Distributed:	494	622	919	1049	1245	1685 (+35% on 2022)

In addition in 2023, we distributed over 120 hampers to families during the summer holidays, and again at Christmas.

Should you wish to donate food, there is a collection point in our church, and more details of the Foodbank can be found at

: <https://fosse.foodbank.org.uk>

Radway Events Group

This group is planned and run by an enthusiastic group of residents who are always looking for new people to help plan and run the events we put on for the village and the wider community.

We are aware that the annual programme would be enhanced by some events specifically aimed at the younger members of our community, and we would particularly welcome any parents to our planning meetings, to advise on what more we could do to include the children.

Our next event is our Beetle Drive evening which takes place on Friday 15th March starting at 7pm with hot pork rolls (a vegetarian option is available). Please bring your own refreshments and the Beetle Drive will commence after we have eaten. If you can throw dice you can play Beetle! Tickets priced at £7.50 available from Rosamund 01295 678384/07443 422445.

Recycling

We are all trying to do our bit to protect the environment, and here is some information to help us all reduce what goes into our black bins.

Stratford District Council do offer to collect items by the side of your bin, these include:

Textiles, Small Electrical Equipment and Household Batteries:

These can be left on top of the lid / or by the side (not inside) of your blue-lidded bin, green bin or grey bin on your scheduled collection day, not on a food waste bin collection day. In order for these items to be collected and recycled, they must be small enough to fit into the storage facility underneath the refuse collection vehicles.

Coffee Pods - A new service has been launched with PodBack together with Stratford District Council to recycle coffee pods. If you need more information please visit [stratford.gov.uk/podback](https://www.stratford.gov.uk/podback) or speak to Penny Gardner. Free of charge bags will be provided to you for you to fill. The bags can then be left on top of the lid / or by the side of your blue-lidded bin, green bin or grey bin on your scheduled collection day.

For more information about better recycling please visit <https://www.stratford.gov.uk/waste-recycling/refuse-and-recycling>

Tablet Blister Packs

We are pleased to announce that we have reinstated the collection of tablet blister packs, these are the tablet packs that contain foil. There is a small green bin by the side of the village hall. Please ensure that only the blister packs are in the bin, no plastic bags or other waste. These are then taken to the new small recycling centre in Aldi, Leamington.

Cosmetic Packaging and crisp and bread packets.

Aldi, Leamington are taking these items within their recycling centre in the new store. All items should be clean and empty and there are clearly marked shoots for you to pop your recycling into.

Save the Dates

Kineton Art Group will hold their May Art Exhibition in Kineton Village Hall, Mill Street, Kineton CV35 0LA on Saturday 11th May, 10am to 5pm and Sunday 12th May from 10am, last entry at 4pm.

A wide range of original artworks, browser prints and cards on display, many available to purchase at very reasonable prices.

Admission is free.

There will be live music, refreshments and a raffle.

For further information see the website, www.kinetonartgroup.com

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Future REG events are planned as follows:

In May, probably either the 18th or 25th, the popular Progressive Supper.

June 29th – a concert by Cantamus Choir from Shipston will be held in the church.

In August, date to be decided, a village walk.

In September, a quiz in the Village Hall.