

DIARY DATES FOR JUNE 2024

2 nd	8.30 am	Holy Communion at St Peter's Church
6 th	7.30 pm	Book Club : Lucy Worsley's biography of Agatha Christie
13 th	7.30 pm	REG meeting in the Village Hall. All welcome Prescription Rota – Julia Douthwaite 670528
16 th	10.30 am	Father's Day service at St Peter's Church
25 th	11.30 – 11.50	Mobile Library visit
27 th		Prescription Rota – Babs Grenet 670978
29 th	7.30 pm	Cantamus Concert in St Peter's Church
30 th	6.30 pm	Matthew Arnold's Ordination as priest, to be held at Coventry Cathedral. Benefice Holy Communion at Kineton, with Matthew presiding.

Don't forget Miranda's exhibition of her art work at Bleak Cottage

The exhibition will be open on the following days between 10am and 4pm
June 22, 23, 27, 28, 29, 30 and July 4,5,6,7.

Your Parish Council

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RADWAY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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Parish Council

The Annual General Meeting and Ordinary Meeting

At the AGM held on 16th May, Tim Smith-Vincent stepped down as Chair of the Parish Council after six years in the role. Tim will stay on as a councillor. Simon Hooker is the new Chair with Penny Gardner taking over as Vice Chair from Simon. The Parish Council, and I am sure the whole village, would like to thank Tim for the fantastic job he has done as Chair – bringing new energy to the Parish Council and a focus on village improvement and community which has benefited us all. Thank you Tim.

The Parish Assembly also took place on 16th May. An example of the new LED type street light was shown to residents who attended the meeting. The new lights will be less expensive to run which is important as the cost of the electricity for the current, obsolete lamps has gone up by nearly 50% since last year. The current plan is to have the new lamps installed before autumn / winter this year.

Jacob's Ladder

Warwickshire County Council have now started to install the new handrail for Jacobs Ladder. At time of writing, the new posts have been installed and it is anticipated that the handrail itself will be added in the next few weeks. This should make the steps easier to manage for everyone on their walks over the long hot summer ahead!

King John's Lane

Although the Council has no responsibility for pathways and bridleways, we are trying to facilitate improving this historical lane for walkers and horse riders.

Improvements were made some years ago to the lower section of the lane which has made a significant difference.

The application to Cotswold National Landscape for funding to facilitate improvements to the upper part of the lane was successful, with the organisation offering a grant of up to £2,000 for the works that need to be undertaken. This leaves the Parish Council with a shortfall of about £1,000 against the total anticipated costs of the work needed of about £3,000. The Parish Council will continue to seek additional funding from Warwickshire County Council, the British Horse Society, Upton Estate, the Ramblers Association and local liveryies. Further contributions from residents would also be very much appreciated.

Anaerobic Digester

A decision from Stratford District Council is still awaited.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on the 18th July 2024. All residents are welcome to attend and, as usual, there will be an opportunity for residents to raise any issues with the Councillors.

REG (Radway Events Group)

A Humdinger of an evening

Fabulous food, wonderful company and a fantastic atmosphere were definitely all part of Radway's Progressive Supper held on a warm Saturday evening recently.

Over thirty residents enjoyed canapes and chilled refreshments served in the village hall which had been transformed into a boutique restaurant for the evening. Diners then made their way to a selection of homes for sumptuous main courses and lively chat and then meandered back to base where a mouthwatering array of desserts and coffee were waiting.

Very many thanks to everyone who contributed to this latest REG event and we can't wait until the next one!

Choir Concert in the church

On Saturday June 29th at 7.30pm we will be hosting Cantamus, an a cappella choir based in Shipston-on-Stour at St Peter's Church for an evening of musicality ranging from English madrigals to music from the 21st century. Anne Hume, a professional actor will provide some lighthearted readings interspersed amongst the singing. Tickets at £12.50 (£5.00 for under 18s) to include refreshment are available from Rosamund Trotman on 01295 678 384/07443 422445.

REG Dates for your diary:

August 17th – a village walk and afternoon tea

September 13th – a quiz in the Village Hall

The Church

The Access Ramp

George England has now completed the work on the permanent ramp up to the front door of the church. It is a very fine piece of work; it blends in beautifully with the present path and it makes our church, and the exhibition inside it, more accessible to everyone.

The People's Struggle Exhibition

If you've never gone down to the church to see the exhibition, now is the time to put that right. The building is open from 8am to 8pm every day. Please make sure that you close the front door, to both the porch and the church itself, carefully when you leave.

Our village sits within the battlefield and here, on Sunday 23rd October 1642, the royalist army of King Charles I engaged the parliamentarian army in the first pitched battle of the English Civil War. Information boards, artefacts, specially commissioned films and interactive displays explain the events of the momentous battle and relate the impact it had upon the ordinary people of Radway and the surrounding area.

Father's Day Service on 16th June at 10.30 am

Plans are in place for a family-friendly service with a bring and share picnic to be held in the churchyard if fine (or in the church if not!) to celebrate the special people who father us. If your family would like to join us, please let Clare, 670703, Puffin, 678682, or Matthew know (on 07368 206182) so we can prepare.

Edgehill Bellringers

Looking for a new Hobby or challenge?

Something in the community?

Are you between 11 and 69?

Why not try Bell Ringing ?

Come along to Kineton and watch on Monday evening or arrange a demonstration and trial lesson. Or contact Graham to find out more 07974 743766.

“The Benefits of Change Ringing “

- Sense of accomplishment
- Community service
- Social interaction
- Physical exercise
- Mental exercise
- Sense of tradition
- Stress relief
- Teamwork