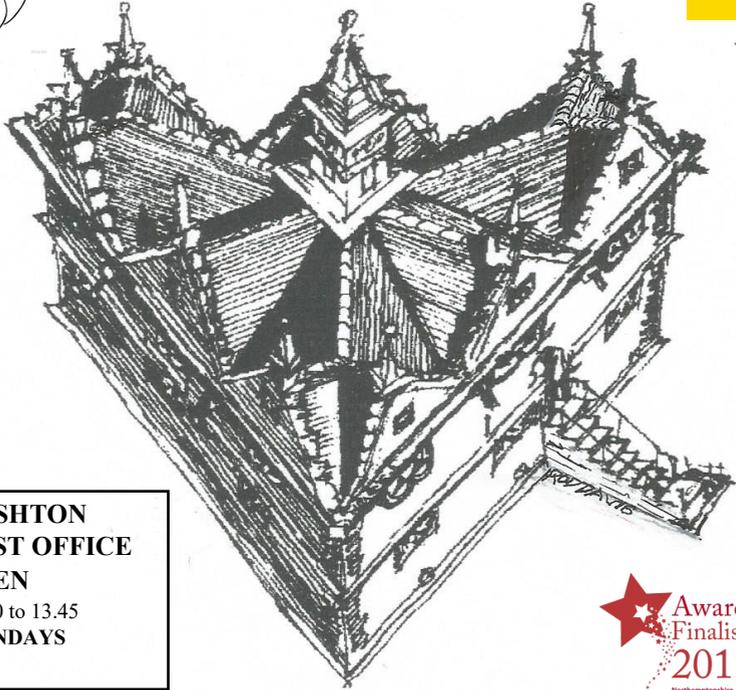


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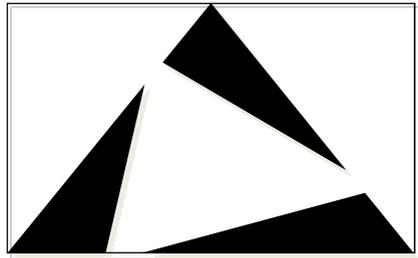
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 and round about!  
 March 2026



It has been rain, rain and more rain during February, but it seems that the weather is relenting as we approach the end of February. You can never trust March though - there is still time for snow, wind and frost, so don't be deceived into uncovering tender plants outside yet! It has been difficult to stay buoyant - literally and metaphorically.

It is tempting to report that the world outside Rushton has gone completely mad. How lucky we are to be able to retreat to our beautiful village, with its age-old views and tranquil environment (if you exclude the constant flow of traffic). It seems that the demands of day-to-day living are making some people more aggressive, more impatient and less thoughtful about the needs of others. What drives this relentless rushing about? Could it be that the global thirst for wealth, status and power is trickling down to individuals or is it that 'society' is now reduced to the needs of the individual rather than to collective needs and responsibilities? Of course, it's not everyone, but a lack of moral compass does appear to be more widespread than it was before. It was David Bowie who predicted that the internet would destroy society as known to those who have lived without it. This is proving to be prophetic - the basic principles of integrity and altruism are suffering. You cannot tell if the information that is broadcast is true or not, unless you check its veracity. The problem is that many people believe that what they see and think is 'right', and any number of facts will not temper their convictions. What is true that our media of all types allows the twisting of truth, and it will end in tears for all of us.

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the Post Office.

**Spring Village Litter Pick**  
**Sunday 22nd March 10 00 a.m.**  
**Meeting point: Cricket Club Car Park**

If you have a Hi Viz jacket please bring it along.

Welcoming all volunteers:

Please email me: [suzismith413@gmail.com](mailto:suzismith413@gmail.com)

if you are able to join us, keeping our village a green and pleasant place in which to live!

Suzi



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3rd	No. 87	Mrs. D. Gardiner



ALL NUMBERS FOR 2026 NOW TAKEN.

THANK YOU.

**GENTLEMEN'S LUNCHEON 24TH MARCH**

Ladies have theirs, so it's time for the men to have one as well. Every 4th Tuesday of the month.

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money, oil or gold that  
is worth more than  
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clean water..**

# Its Movie Time at the Rushton Roxy Cinema



Based on the true story of John Davidson; one of the UK's first to be diagnosed with Tourette's syndrome. Afflicted at a young age which alienated him from his peers, he struggled with a condition few people had witnessed before, yet with kindness and patience from a few he learned to cope and teach understanding to others.

**Starring** – Peter Mullan and Shirley Henderson

**I SWEAR (PG)**

**Note: contains offensive language in context**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March – 7:30pm**

**Doors Open at 7:00pm**

**Rushton Village Hall**

**Chapel Lane**

**Tickets £7.00 on the door**



Mike B



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# Coming Soon to Rushton Roxy Cinema

**Dates for your diaries**

*Dates & Films are subject to change*

**21<sup>st</sup> March 2026**

**HIGHLY RECOMMEND DRAMA**

*Note: Contains offensive language in context.*

## I SWEAR (15A)

Very funny but equally uplifting, Based on a true story of John Davidson; one of the UK's first to be diagnosed with a condition few people had witnessed before, yet with kindness from a few and patience he learned to cope and teach understanding to others

**Staring- Peter Mullan and Shirley Henderson**



**18<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

## THE CHORAL(12A)

Set in 1916, Ramsden, Yorkshire following the chorus master and most of the men of the ambitious local Choral Society, who have volunteered for the front. Under the direction of the demanding, Dr. Guthrie (Fiennes), the Choral recruits a crop of teenage boys and girls. Together they discover the joys of singing and the urgency of desire as the new boys come to terms with their imminent conscription into the army

**Staring- Ralph Fiennes - Jim Broadbent and Simon Russell Beale.**

**9<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

## HAMNET(12A) *Subject to availability*

Shakespeare and his wife, Agnes, celebrate the birth of their son, Hamnet. However, when tragedy strikes and Hamnet dies at a young age, it inspires Shakespeare to write his timeless masterpiece "Hamlet."

**Staring- Jessie Buckley and Paul Mescal**

*For further information please see regular updates and details posted in the Triangle Magazine, on the Parish Notice Boards, Rushton Village News and Views and Rushton Village Support WhatsApp Group.*

**Doors Open at 7:00pm - Film  
Starts at 07:30**

**Tickets £7.00 on the door**

**Rushton Village Hall  
Chapel Lane**





## Rushton Parish Participation in Community Speed Watch 2026

Rushton Parish has been accepted to take part in the Northamptonshire Police Community Speed Watch (CSW) Programme for 2026.

Community Speed Watch (CSW) is a volunteer-led initiative run by Northamptonshire Police in partnership with the Northamptonshire Safer Roads Alliance. The programme empowers local residents to take an active role in improving road safety by helping to reduce speeding in their communities.

The volunteer groups receive online training and equipment to carry out roadside speed monitoring in their local area. These activities take place between March and October, during daylight hours only, and at times chosen by the group based on local concerns.

Drivers detected speeding by CSW volunteers receive a police warning letter, and their details are retained for 12 months to help identify repeat offenders. Any driver recorded three or more times will receive a personal visit from police officers.

In 2025, the CSW programme resulted in 2,015 educational letters being sent to the registered keepers of vehicles detected exceeding the speed limit in 20, 30, and 40 mph zones. This initiative is seen as playing a vital role in educating drivers and positively influencing driving behaviour throughout our towns and villages.

**If you are interested in volunteering to taking part in this activity, please send your details by email to “[clerk@rushtonparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@rushtonparishcouncil.gov.uk)”.**

Anyone aged 18 or over who lives in the community and has the support of the parish council can volunteer. No prior experience is needed.

All volunteers must complete a digital training session, which includes practical and operational guidance. Training is delivered via an online video, and once completed, volunteers are covered by public liability insurance while participating in CSW activities. The Training typically takes around 30 minutes to complete. It covers equipment use, safety procedures, and data recording.

Cllr Mike Brightman

If you would like further information or details on this initiative, please give me a call on 07850236833.



### THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

“People are like books, some deceive you with their cover, and others surprise you with their content.”

*Oscar Wilde*

# Rushton Parish

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# Road Issues in Rushton Parish Petition Update

Our volunteers have been circulating the petition throughout the parish, and we have received an excellent response so far. Thank you very much for supporting our campaign. Once all signatures have been gathered, we will arrange for the petition to be submitted directly to the relevant officials at North Northamptonshire Council.

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the volunteers who have been knocking on doors to collect signatures, especially given the cold and wet weather we have experienced recently. Your dedication is greatly appreciated.

If you have not yet signed the petition but would like to add your signature, please give me a call on so we can arrange a convenient time for you to do so.

*Mike Brightman*

07850236833

Rare photo of one of the world's last coal-powered sheep. Most herds are all electric now.



## TRESHAM BENEFICE FELLOWSHIP

As I write this report, members are looking forward to the February meeting, where the topic will be 'Tales from the Driver's Seat'. Jess Henderson was the first lady London Transport 'bus driver who will be talking about her "fun and frolics on the buses as you've never heard it before". I know by the feedback from the publicity that there will be a big audience for this event. Colin has completed the programme for the next year and he will publish it in the next edition of the magazine. A

reminder that subs. are due at the next meeting along with the cost of the trip to Tolethorpe: all details will be discussed at the meeting. We have quite a few new members from outside the church and we welcome everyone. If you're interested in joining the Fellowship please let me know by email.

Thanks

[Laurelspickett@gmail.com](mailto:Laurelspickett@gmail.com)



## RUSHTON VILLAGE FETE

Our annual fete will take place on **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2026** at the Cricket Club.

The fete is only successful because of the support it receives from everyone in the village, which is always tremendous and very much appreciated. May I ask for your support again this year?

If you would like to volunteer your help please contact me on 07432 510994.

Amanda Frogley

## CHURCH SERVICES IN MARCH

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**Sunday 1st March**

**Second Sunday of Lent**

10.00 a.m. Family Service

**Sunday 8th March**

**Third Sunday of Lent**

10.00 a.m. Family Communion

**Sunday 15th March**

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**Mothering Sunday**

10.00 a.m. Mothering Sunday Family Service

**Sunday 22nd March**

**Fifth Sunday of Lent**

9.15 a.m. Parish Communion at Pipewell

**Tuesday 24th March**

Approx. 9.45 a.m. Rushton School Easter Service

**Sunday 29th March**

**Palm Sunday**

10.00 a.m. Benefice Holy Communion at Thorpe Malsor

**Sunday 5th April**

**EASTER DAY**



### SUNDAY READINGS

**Sunday 8th March**

Exodus 17: 1-7 (Richard Phillips)

John 4: 5-42 (Sharon Short)

**Sunday 22nd March**

Ezek. 37: 1-14 (Margaret Mudditt)

John 11: 1-45 (Kevin Abraham)

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

**LENT** - No flowers



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## RUSHTON POCKET PARK



# Belcanto Annual Concert



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**7.00 pm**

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**Edward Pick** | Piano



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Many other creatures eat moths: birds, hedgehogs, bats, frogs, toads, and small mammals. They are the backbone of our ecosystem. There is even evidence that they are more efficient pollinators than bees and other day-flying insects.

Here are five moths to look out for - all spotted regularly in the Park:



Garden  
Tiger  
(*Arctia caja*)



Angle Shades  
(*Phlogophora  
Meticulosa*)



Hummingbird Hawk  
Moth  
(*Macroglossum  
Stellatarum*)

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## **FROM THE ARCHIVES**

### **THE RUSHTON WATER TOWER**

in 1911, Mr. Clark-Thornhill, owner of the Rushton Estate, provided the village with a good supply of fresh drinking water. For many years water came from roof water stored in butts by the back door or from wells. Cholera was common in the village.

Between Storefield and Rushton there was a spring of fresh, clean water called Broad Spring. This had been used since Roman times and was known for its healing powers.

In 1911, a hydraulic ram pump, which pumps water under its own power, was installed to pump the spring water to a large water tank, with a capacity of 40,000 gallons, which sat on top of a red brick tower in Eastfield's farmyard in Station Road, opposite Midland Cottages. This tank provided water to stand taps situated in various places throughout the village.

In the 1950s the village was put on to the national mains via a pipe from Barford Bridge to Rushton. Later, water came from Empingham via a large pipe that runs to the Pittsford pumping station.

*(Extract from 'Memories of Rushton from 1939' by David Palmer).*



1911. The opening ceremony of the Rushton Water Tower.

## THE BEST REPLY TO A TWEET EVER.....?



Maggie Tyers

Funny you put Ramadan and eid up first. Its a Christian country first and foremost.

7h Like Reply

5



Author

Bedford Borough Council

Maggie Tyers

Ramadan began on February 17. That is why we put our Ramadan message on social media yesterday.

Lent began today, which is why our Lent message went on social media one day later.

The date of Lent is determined by the church calendar, rooted in the decisions of the Council of Nicaea (325 AD).

The official start of Ramadan traditionally depends on the sighting of the new crescent moon.

Bedford Borough Council holds no authority over the Council of Nicaea and was not responsible for the creation of the moon 4.53billion years ago.

6h Like Reply

36



Elephant Hawk-Moth

(*Deilephila Elpenor*)



Giant Elephant Hawk-Moth caterpillar!



## RUSHTON VILLAGE W.I.

Our speaker in February was Natalie from Purple Unicorn, who told us all about Neal's Yard Organic Remedies. Natalie uses Neal's Yard products in all of her treatments to provide optimum well-being.

From a small shop in 1981 in Covent Garden, Neal's Yard products are now available across five continents. It is an exceptionally ethical company which uses nothing in its products to cause damage to you or the planet. The company's success has proven that it isn't necessary to compromise ethics for efficacy and business success.

They were the first beauty brand to achieve organic accreditation, and the first high street retailer to be certified carbon neutral with an eco-factory in Dorset. Their distinctive blue bottles (blue pigment is better for preserving products) are all recycled and recyclable. No plastic micro beads are used in any products; rose hip seeds, apricot kernels or coconut husks are used instead for exfoliation.

The company supports people and planet by charity donations and Fairtrade. Projects funded include building wells for collectors of frankincense in Kenya, and deforestation limitation in Madagascar.

One of our WI resolution campaigns is SOS for honeybees, so we were interested to hear that Neal's Yard support Stand By Bees – the campaign to cut the use of hazardous pesticides in the UK.

After the talk, we took the opportunity to browse and buy a range of Neal's Yard products whilst enjoying refreshments and time chat with friends.

We have our Annual Meeting in March, followed by a chip supper.



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INSPIRING WOMEN

### POINT TO PONDER FOR MARCH 2026

The appointment of Sarah Mullally as the first female Archbishop of Canterbury is for many to be the logical progression of the ministry of women in the Church. Her enthronement on March 25<sup>th</sup> is of historical importance as well as theological significance. It is an event that opens a little wider our understanding of the inclusive nature of the love of God which the church exists to proclaim and encourage both in the world as well as in the believer. The Church does have the courage of its convictions when it proclaims that God's love extends to every corner of the universe, but that love needs to be lived and shown in human existence to be valid. It also proclaims God's acceptance and love of the diversity found in human relationships. The last few decades have seen many changes in the Church and in our Christian understandings of that diversity from the marriage of the divorced to the ordination of women, to name but two heated debates! St Paul reminds us in his first letter to the Church in Corinth (Chapter 13 verses 12 and 13) that we are all part of an ongoing process in human nature whereby we have to come to terms with change in our grasp of God's constant revealing of His love for us and our love for one another. "Now we see only puzzling reflections in a mirror but then we shall see face to face. My knowledge now is partial: then it will be whole, like God's knowledge of me. In a word, there are three things that last for ever, faith, hope, and love: but the greatest of them all is love." Our new Archbishop will have to help us all continue the task of recognising and enabling those who have yet to feel that there is a place for them in God's scheme of things. There is still more to be done to extend the message of God's acceptance of his undiluted love for His created humanity. As Dianne Warwick the singer puts it, "What the world needs now, is love sweet love. It is the only thing that it is just too little of. What the world needs now, is love sweet love; no not just for some but for everyone." (Hal David and Burt Bacharach 1965) We need to hear of God's love in all sorts of ways to help us live life to the full and celebrate our existence. A new Archbishop can set the tone of that love in her messages to the church at home and abroad. Her historical position helps that message to be listened to. Archbishop Sarah will be expected to do many things and say many things. She may not be able to solve every challenge that confronts her ministry. But if she can bring the age-old truth of a loving God into a heartbroken world, she will have all our prayers and love.

Reverend George Burgon





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Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>  
@ 10:00

### Tesco or Asda Superstore & The Peel Centre Retail Park

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>st</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>

Picking up in Rushton @10:00

### Rushden Lakes

Wednesday Mar 4<sup>th</sup> & April 1<sup>st</sup>  
@ 10:30

### Farndon Fields

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> @ 10:30

Date and times are subject to change

Sign up to "Rushton Village Support" What's app group to keep you updated with the latest Minibus News

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