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From St Andrews -



To all those who turned up for a bit of fun at the Epiphany Party to round off the Christmas season.



LENT starts early this year (**Easter is on 31st March**) so **ASH WEDNESDAY is on 13th Feb**. There will be Morning Prayer at 9am and sung Compline at 8pm. Lenten resolutions may not be fashionable these days but remain a good way of preparing for Easter and what better place to make them than at Church on Ash Wednesday!



PANCAKES?? In previous years we have had a Pancake Race and Tea at the Church. If anyone would like to organise one this year on Shrove **Tuesday (12th Feb)** then please contact **Jillian (711575)** to arrange for facilities to be available. You would be very welcome!



Roy Tricker (the ultimate authority on churches in Suffolk and elsewhere) will be giving his talk on **ECCENTRIC CLERGY** which should give us a lot of laughs. The date is **FRIDAY 8th MARCH at 7pm**. Full details next month.

SERVERS: Denise usually returns to the village to serve at the Eucharist on the third Sunday of each month, sometimes helped by Emma Turner but they are not always available and we need another volunteer! We also need some more to join our excellent **CHOIR**. Please ring **Alan Page on 01473 890350**

Mark Wright

From Silverleaf Committee -

Silverleaf having been busy putting a possible programme of village events together for 2013 and would welcome input from villagers who have any ideas they would like to put forward.

Keep an eye for your Silverleaf events flyer that will be winging its way to you with the finer details and dates, nonetheless the events planned are:

- The Mickfield Easter Egg Hunt
- A wine tasting event
- A Mickfield Summer Village Fete
- Autumnal Village Quiz
- Annual over 60's Christmas Lunch

If you are interested in having a stall or helping Silverleaf with the event please contact **Nickey Rooke (01449 710301)** or nickey.rooke@bopenworld.com.

Equally Silverleaf needs to more people! Levels of commitment can vary to helping out at one or two events, to taking on more active role in the planning of events. So Ladies and Gentlemen if you would like to help expand village activities as well as help to raise money to run the long established Mickfield Christmas Lunch please contact Nickey Rooke.

Nickey Rooke

From Mickfield Parish Council -

The Mendlesham REP

It would appear that at least some of the legal issues have been addressed and that this application will be re-submitted. This has not taken place as yet and we endeavour to keep you informed as and when it does.

Mickfield Jubilee Garden

Work will begin again in the Spring.

Mickfield Village Website

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7.30pm on Monday 4th March 2013. Dates for all the year are now on the Mickfield Village website. The web address is www.mickfieldvillage.co.uk.

Parish Council Vacancy

There are two vacancies and currently we have had only one enquiry. This is an important part of our local community and we would again ask anyone that may be interested to contact the Parish Clerk, Amanda Thompson on 01379 678130

Broadband coverage for Mickfield

We are informed that the contract has been signed with BT which will enable faster Broadband speeds by 2015. We should see some significant increases prior to this date.

Highways

With such a cold and wet/icy winter, many of our roads are in dire need of repair. We have asked for these to be done as a matter of urgency but can only hope to be high on the priority list. We are aware that quite a few information signs have been removed. These have also been reported again and we await an update on both for the next newsletter.

Davina Lynk, Chairman, Mickfield Parish Council