



THE NORTH BOSMERE BENEFICE

Coddenham, Creeting St Mary,
Creeting St Peter, Crowfield,
Earl Stonham with Stonham Parva,
Gosbeck, Hemingstone,
Stonham Aspal and Mickfield



THIS SUNDAY 17 May – Easter 6, ROGATION SUNDAY

Lectionary Readings: Genesis 8.20-9.17, Acts 17.22-31, John 14.15-21

Readings for Rogation Sunday service: Psalm 50. 1-2 & 10-11,
Ezekiel 17:22-24

10.00am Zoom Rogation Sunday Service

TUESDAY 19 MAY

10.00am Zoom Morning Worship

THURSDAY 21 MAY ASCENSION DAY THY KINGDOM COME STARTS

10.00am Zoom Morning Worship

FRIDAY 22 MAY

7.00pm Zoom Evening Worship focus on Coddenham

SATURDAY 23 MAY

7.00pm Zoom Evening Worship focus on Creeting St Peter

NEXT SUNDAY 24 May – Easter 7

Sunday after Ascension Day

Lectionary Readings: Ezekiel 36, 24-28, Acts 1. 6-14, John 17. 1-11

10.00am Zoom Sunday Morning Worship

BENEFICE WORSHIP via ZOOM –

If you haven't joined us before and would like to, please send an email to reader.ruthdennigan@gmail.com. Before the worship starts you will receive an email from Ruth with a link to click on.

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LECTIONARY READINGS for 17 May – Easter 6

Genesis 8:20-9:17

²⁰ Then Noah built an altar to the LORD and, taking some of all the clean animals and clean birds, he sacrificed burnt offerings on it. ²¹ The LORD smelled the pleasing aroma and said in his heart: ‘Never again will I curse the ground because of humans, even though every inclination of the human heart is evil from childhood. And never again will I destroy all living creatures, as I have done.

²² ‘As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease.’

9 Then God blessed Noah and his sons, saying to them, ‘Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the earth. ² The fear and dread of you will fall on all the beasts of the earth, and on all the birds in the sky, on every creature that moves along the ground, and on all the fish in the sea; they are given into your hands. ³ Everything that lives and moves about will be food for you. Just as I gave you the green plants, I now give you everything. ⁴ ‘But you must not eat meat that has its lifeblood still in it. ⁵ And for your lifeblood I will surely demand an accounting. I will demand an accounting from every animal. And from each human being, too, I will demand an accounting for the life of another human being.

⁶ ‘Whoever sheds human blood, by humans shall their blood be shed; for in the image of God has God made mankind. ⁷ As for you, be fruitful and increase in number; multiply on the earth and increase upon it.’

⁸ Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him: ⁹ ‘I now establish my covenant with you and with your descendants after you ¹⁰ and with every living creature that was with you – the birds, the livestock and all the wild animals, all those that came out of the ark with you – every living creature on earth. ¹¹ I establish my covenant with you: never again will all life be destroyed by the waters of a flood; never again will there be a flood to destroy the earth.’ ¹² And God said, ‘This is the sign of the covenant I am making between me and you and every living creature with you, a covenant for all generations to come: ¹³ I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴ Whenever I bring clouds over the earth and the rainbow appears in the clouds, ¹⁵ I will remember my covenant between me and you and all living creatures of every kind. Never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all life. ¹⁶ Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth.’

¹⁷ So God said to Noah, ‘This is the sign of the covenant I have established between me and all life on the earth.’

Acts 17:22-31

²² Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: ‘People of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. ²³ For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: TO AN UNKNOWN GOD. So you are ignorant of the very thing you worship – and this is what I am going to proclaim to you. ²⁴ ‘The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands. ²⁵ And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything. Rather, he himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else. ²⁶ From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. ²⁷ God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us. ²⁸ “For in him we live and move and have our being.” As some of your own poets have said, “We are his offspring.” ²⁹ ‘Therefore since we are God’s offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone – an image made by human design and skill. ³⁰ In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. ³¹ For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to everyone by raising him from the dead.’

John 14:15-21

¹⁵ ‘If you love me, keep my commands. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you for ever – ¹⁷ the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. ¹⁸ I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹ Before long, the world will not see me any more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will realise that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. ²¹ Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.’

As Creeting St Peter could not have their annual plant sale at the church last weekend, Sarah and Russell Stott had plants for sale at their gate in the village. £115 was raised for the church. Thank you to all who donated plants and bought them.

READINGS FOR THE ROGATION SUNDAY SERVICE

Psalm 50. 1-2 and 10-11

¹ The Mighty One, God, the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to where it sets. ² From Zion, perfect in beauty, God shines forth. ¹⁰ For every animal of the forest is mine, and the cattle on a thousand hills. ¹¹ I know every bird in the mountains, and the insects in the fields are mine.

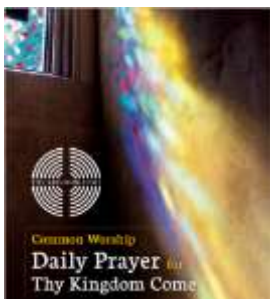
Ezekiel 17:22-24

²² “This is what the Sovereign LORD says: I myself will take a shoot from the very top of a cedar and plant it; I will break off a tender sprig from its topmost shoots and plant it on a high and lofty mountain. ²³ On the mountain heights of Israel I will plant it; it will produce branches and bear fruit and become a splendid cedar. Birds of every kind will nest in it; they will find shelter in the shade of its branches. ²⁴ All the trees of the forest will know that I the LORD bring down the tall tree and make the low tree grow tall. I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please send any prayer requests to Philip 01449 711684 revphilippayne@btinternet.com or Helen 01449 761867 h.norris1@hotmail.co.uk who will include them in their private prayers.

THY KINGDOM COME IN NORTH BOSMERE



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