



## THE NORTH BOSMERE BENEFICE

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



**THESE ARE ALL BENEFICE SERVICES AND ARE OPEN TO EVERYONE, WHETHER ON ZOOM OR IN A CHURCH BUILDING**

***Adventure of the week: Which church? What service?***

Check the details below carefully.

**To come to a service in a church building** you must follow Government and Church of England regulations. Wear a face covering and let Philip know by 6pm on Saturday your name and how many will be coming. His contact details are below. To assist the Track and Trace process we will keep your contact details for 3 weeks after the service.

**To join a Zoom service**, please email [reader.ruthdennigan@gmail.com](mailto:reader.ruthdennigan@gmail.com). Click on the link in the email from Ruth to join the service

### **THIS SUNDAY 4 October – Trinity 17 (Proper 22)**

**Lectionary Readings:** Isaiah 5. 1-7, Philippians 3. 4b-14  
Matthew 21. 33-46

9.30am	Zoom	Morning Worship
11.00am	Earl Stonham	Holy Communion
11.00am	Creeting St Mary	Morning Prayer BCP

<b>Wednesday 7 October</b>	Zoom	9.00am	Morning Prayer
<b>Friday 9 October</b>	Zoom	6.30pm	Evening Prayer

### **NEXT SUNDAY 11 October – Trinity 18 (Proper 23)**

**Lectionary Readings:** Isaiah 25. 1-9, Philippians 4. 1-9  
Matthew 22. 1-14

9.30am	Zoom	Harvest for All
11.00am	Crowfield	Holy Communion
6.30pm	Hemingstone	Evening Prayer

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# LECTIONARY READINGS

## 4 October – Trinity 17 (Proper 22)

### Isaiah 5:1-7

**5** Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard:  
My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill.

**2** He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines;  
he built a watch-tower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it;  
he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

**3** And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between  
me and my vineyard.

**4** What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it?  
When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?

**5** And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard.

I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured;

I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down.

**6** I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed,  
and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;

I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

**7** For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel,  
and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice,  
but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

### Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have  
more: **5** circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel,  
of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a  
Pharisee; **6** as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness  
under the law, blameless.

**7** Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because  
of Christ. **8** More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the  
surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have  
suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that  
I may gain Christ **9** and be found in him, not having a righteousness of  
my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in  
Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. **10** I want to know  
Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings

by becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup> if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

<sup>12</sup> Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. <sup>13</sup> Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

## **Matthew 21:33-46**

### The Parable of the Wicked Tenants

<sup>33</sup> 'Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watch-tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. <sup>34</sup> When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. <sup>35</sup> But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. <sup>36</sup> Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. <sup>37</sup> Finally he sent his son to them, saying, "They will respect my son." <sup>38</sup> But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, "This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance." <sup>39</sup> So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. <sup>40</sup> Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' <sup>41</sup> They said to him, 'He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.'

<sup>42</sup> Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

"The stone that the builders rejected

has become the cornerstone;

this was the Lord's doing,

and it is amazing in our eyes"?

<sup>43</sup> Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. <sup>44</sup> The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.'

<sup>45</sup> When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. <sup>46</sup> They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

## CHURCHES OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER ONLY

Coddenham:	Thursdays 8am – 5pm
Creting St Mary:	Sundays 2pm-4pm
Creting St Peter:	Sundays 10am-5pm
Crowfield:	Sundays 10am-4pm
Earl Stonham:	Sundays 12pm-4pm
Gosbeck:	Wednesdays and Sundays 9am-6pm
Stonham Aspal:	Sundays 10am-4pm

## HARVEST IN THE FIELD

Many thanks to all those who came to the Drive in Harvest service. 80 vehicles piled onto David's field with around 150 people inside them. The church band led the singing beautifully. It was an amazing afternoon, a joy to be together after such a long time keeping very separate! Thanks are due to Frankie for the idea and all those who spent a lot of time and effort making sure we kept within the Covid 19 guidelines to keep everyone safe.

We raised in excess of £700 for Farming Community Network and 98 kilos of goods and £40 were delivered to the Stowmarket Food Bank who were delighted. They say that they are receiving quite a lot from Harvests but it is all going out as soon as it comes in, so they always need more!

## WHAT'S ON

**Sunday 4 October 10am Creting St Peter: CELEBRATING HARVEST** A short service in the churchyard. Church decorated and open all day. No singing, some music. Donations for Stowmarket Food Bank

**Saturday 10 October 10-12noon Stonham Aspal: CHURCHYARD CLEARUP** Bring your own tools. Refreshments if we are allowed!

**Sunday 11 October 9.30am ZOOM: HARVEST FOR ALL**

**Wednesday 14 October 9.30am Crowfield Village Hall: TEN VILLAGE WALKING GROUP** Small groups, staggered start times. For more details contact [suehargadon@outlook.com](mailto:suehargadon@outlook.com) or phone 01449 711906

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