



THE NORTH BOSMERE BENEFICE

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



**CHURCH BUILDINGS ARE OPEN FOR PRIVATE
PRAYER & SERVICES IN LINE WITH COVID-19
RESTRICTIONS**

All services are Benefice services

To join a Zoom service email reader.ruthdennigan@gmail.com.
at least 2 days before Click on the link to join the service

To attend a service in a church building book with Rev
Philip, details below by 6pm 2 days before the service

THIS SUNDAY 27 December – Christmas 1

Readings: Isaiah 61.10-62.3, Galatians 4.4-7, Luke 2.15-21

11.00am Gosbeck Holy Communion

NEXT SUNDAY 3 January – Epiphany

Readings: Isaiah 60.1-6, Ephesians 3. 1-12, Matthew 2. 1-12

9.30am Zoom Morning Worship
11.00am Creeting St Mary Holy Communion

Rector: Revd Philip Payne 01449 711684
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READINGS 27 December

Christmas 1

Isaiah 61:10-62:3

¹⁰ I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,
my whole being shall exult in my God;
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

¹¹ For as the earth brings forth its shoots,
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise
to spring up before all the nations.

62 For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.

² The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give.

³ You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

Galatians 4:4-7

⁴ But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵ in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. ⁶ And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' ⁷ So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Luke 2:15-21

¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.' ¹⁶ So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. ²¹ After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

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Prayers

Holy God, You are with us from the spinning planets in our sky to the tiniest microbe that lives on the tiniest paw of the tiniest mouse. You care for creation and you care for us. Though we need to stay tucked inside our homes, we know that you are as close as the air we breathe. Thank you for being our friend and comforter. Amen.

Into your spacious heart and loving hands, dear God, I place my fears, my "what ifs," my spinning world and mind... Comfort me with the truth no fear is too big for the Great One, who is always with me. I am never alone. Calming God, bring courage. Tender Spirit, breathe peace. Gentle Jesus, be close. Amen.

God of presence and strength, Help us feel you here with us when we are anxious and afraid, when the future feels unwieldy and uncertain. We know nothing is unknown to you, O God, and we know you are our rock and our comfort in times of trouble. Give us wisdom and courage to make changes that will help things get better. Amen.

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Amen.

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