

### THE NORTH BOSMERE BENEFICE

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



To join a Zoom service: email <u>northbosmerebenefice@gmail.com</u> at least 2 days before the service. Click on the link you receive.

#### THIS SUNDAY 19 December – Advent 4

Readings: Micah 5. 2-5a, Hebrews 10. 5-10, Luke 1. 39-45

9.30am	Zoom	Morning Worship
11.00am	Creeting St Peter	Holy Communion BCP
4.00pm	Coddenham	Carol Service with Benefice Choir
4.00pm	Hemingstone	Carol Service with Band
6.30pm	Creeting St Mary	Carol Service
6.30pm	Gosbeck	Carol Service with Benefice Choir
6.30pm	Stonham Aspal	Carols round the tree
Tuesday 21 December 9.00am Zoom Morning Worship Tuesday 21 December 2.30pm Henley Longest Night Tuesday 21 December 7.00pm Zoom Longest Night Thursday 23 December 9.00pm Zoom Compline		

#### FRIDAY 24 December – Christmas Eve

Readings: Isaiah 52. 7-10, Hebrews 1. 1-4 [5-12], John 1. 1-14

3.30pm	Stonham Aspal	Crib Service
4.00pm	Coddenham	The Christmas Story told Outside
6.30pm	Creeting St Peter	Carol Service
6.30pm	Earl Stonham	Carol Service with Choir
7.00pm	Crowfield	Carol Service
11.30pm	Coddenham	Holy Communion
11.30pm	Stonham Aspal	Holy Communion
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### SATURDAY 25 December – Christmas Day

Readings: Isaiah 52. 7-10, Hebrews 1. 1-4 [5-12], John 1. 1-149.30amZoomChristmas Day Morning Worship10.00amHemingstoneChristmas Day Morning Worship11.00amEarl StonhamHoly Communion11.00amGosbeckHoly Communion

### SUNDAY 26 December – Christmas 1

Readings: Exodus 33. 7-11a, 1 John Chapter 1, John 21. 19b-end 11.00am Creeting St Mary Holy Communion

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## **READINGS 19 December – Advent 4**

#### Micah 5:2-5

<sup>2</sup> But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days.

<sup>3</sup> Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labour has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. <sup>4</sup> And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God.

And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; <sup>5</sup> and he shall be the one of peace. If the Assyrians come into our land and tread upon our soil, we will raise against them seven shepherds and eight installed as rulers.

#### Hebrews 10:5-10

<sup>5</sup> Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said,

'Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; <sup>6</sup> in burnt-offerings and sin-offerings you have taken no pleasure. <sup>7</sup> Then I said, "See, God, I have come to do your will, O God" (in the scroll of the book it is written of me).'

<sup>8</sup>When he said above, 'You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt-offerings and sin-offerings' (these are offered according to the law), <sup>9</sup> then he added, 'See, I have come to do your will.' He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. <sup>10</sup> And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

#### Luke 1:39-45

<sup>39</sup> In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, <sup>40</sup> where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. <sup>41</sup> When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit <sup>42</sup> and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. <sup>43</sup> And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? <sup>44</sup> For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. <sup>45</sup> And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

# CHRISTMAS READINGS

#### Isaiah 52:7-10

<sup>7</sup> How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns.' <sup>8</sup> Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the LORD to Zion. <sup>9</sup> Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the LORD has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. <sup>10</sup> The LORD has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

#### Hebrews 1:1-4, [5-12]

1 Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, <sup>2</sup> but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. <sup>3</sup> He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, <sup>4</sup> having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. [<sup>5</sup> For to which of the angels did God ever say, 'You are my Son; today I have begotten you'? Or again, 'I will be his Father, and he will be my Son'? <sup>6</sup> And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, 'Let all God's angels worship him.' <sup>7</sup> Of the angels he says, 'He makes his angels winds, and his servants flames of fire.' <sup>8</sup> But of the Son he says, 'Your throne, O God, is for ever and ever, and the righteous sceptre is the sceptre of your kingdom. <sup>9</sup> You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.' <sup>10</sup> And, 'In the beginning, Lord, you founded the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands; <sup>11</sup> they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like clothing; <sup>12</sup> like a cloak you will roll them up, and like clothing they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will never end.']

#### John 1:1-14

**1** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup> All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being <sup>4</sup> in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. <sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

<sup>6</sup> There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup> He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup> He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. <sup>9</sup> The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. <sup>10</sup> He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. <sup>11</sup> He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. <sup>12</sup> But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, <sup>13</sup> who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. <sup>14</sup> And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

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## WHAT'S ON

Monday 20 December 6pm Crowfleld Village Hall: CAROL SINGING.

Monday 20 Dec. 6.30pm Earl Stonham: CAROLS ON THE GREEN.

Monday 20 Dec. 6.30pm Does Field, Stonham Aspal: CAROL SINGING.

Tuesday 21 December 2.30pm Henley & 7pm Zoom: LONGEST NIGHT.

Tuesday 21 December 6.30pm Coddenham Shop: CAROL SINGING.

Thursdays in December 9pm Zoom: COMPLINE.

#### **CHRISTMAS EVE**

3.30pm Stonham Aspal: CRIB SERVICE.

4.00pm Coddenham: THE CHRISTMAS STORY TOLD OUTSIDE.

6.30pm Creeting St Peter CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT.

**7pm Crowfield: CAROL SERVICE.** Tickets reserved by contacting Stewart on 01449 761997

11.30pm Coddenham and Stonham Aspal: MIDNIGHT COMMUNION.

#### CHRISTMAS DAY

9.30am Zoom and 10am Hemingstone: CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP. 11.00am Earl Stonham and Gosbeck: HOLY COMMUNION.

For your event on here or to receive this by email, contact Liz on 01449 711365 or <u>lizandjohnince@gmail.com</u> by Tuesday