

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 northbosmerebenefice@gmail.com with your screen name at least 2 days before the service. Click on the link you receive.

THIS SUNDAY 30 January – Epiphany 4 **Candlemas**

Readings: Malachi 3. 1-5, Hebrews 2. 14-end, Luke 2. 22-40 Candlemas - Morning Worship 9.30am Zoom 11.00am Earl Stonham Love in Creation - Eucharist Candlemas Evensong 6.30pm Stonham Aspal

Tuesday 1 February Zoom Morning Prayer 9am

Thursday 3 February Earl Stonham Village Hall 6pm – 8pm Hope Explored

NEXT SUNDAY 6 February – 4 before Lent (Proper 1)

Readings: Isaiah 6. 1-8, [9-end], 1 Corinthians 15. 1-11, Luke 5. 1-11

- Morning Worship 9.30am Zoom 9.30am Creeting St Peter Morning Worship Crowfield Holy Communion 9.30am 11.00am Coddenham Holy Communion
- Morning Worship 11.00am Gosbeck

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READINGS 30 January Epiphany 4 - Candlemas

Malachi 3:1-5

3 See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. 2 But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; 3 he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. 4 Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

5 Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.

Hebrews 2:14-18

14 Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. 16 For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. 17 Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. 18 Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Luke 2:22-40

22 When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord 23 (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), 24 and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

25 Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. 26 It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. 27 Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, 28 Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, 29 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace,

according to your word; 30 for my eyes have seen your salvation, 31 which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, 32 a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.'

33 And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. 34 Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed 35 so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

36 There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, 37 then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. 38 At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

39 When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. 40 The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

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WHAT'S ON

Sunday 30 January 9.30am ZOOM: CANDLEMAS.

Please ensure you have a candle and matches with you for this service.

Sunday 30 January 11am Earl Stonham: LOVE IN CREATION - A SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

This service will focus on the Love of God, as revealed in all creation, and our call to respond by caring for the world around us. The Revd Richard Stainer will be speaking on how churches can reduce their carbon footprint as one aspect of that care. God showed his love for us on the cross. As we celebrate his love in our Eucharist, may we commit ourselves afresh to care for all his creation.

Tuesday 1 February, 12 noon Gosbeck Village Hall: SERVICE AND SOUP. More information from Judy Hailes, 01449 760375.



WHAT'S THE BEST FUTURE YOU COULD EVER IMAGINE?

HOPE EXPLORED

Thursday 3 February 6-8pm Earl Stonham Village Hall: HOPE EXPLORED Details in 10VN or from Henry or Anne 01449 711742 henrystanford@btinternet.com

Friday 4 February 10.30am – 12 noon Earl Stonham: COFFEE AND CAKE.

Thursday 10 February 9.30am Stonham Aspal Football Ground: CROWFIELD COMMUNITY TEN VILLAGE WALKING GROUP. Contact Sue on 01449 711906 or 07754 611004 or <u>suehargadon@outlook.com</u> for details.

Saturday 12 February 10 – 12 noon Creeting St Peter: COFFEE MORNING.

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