



# 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](mailto:northbosmerebenefice@gmail.com) with your screen name at least 2 days before the service.

## SUNDAY 15 January – Epiphany 2

**Readings:** Isaiah 49. 1-7, 1 Corinthians 1. 1-9, John 1. 29-42

9.30am	Zoom	Morning Worship
9.30am	Coddenham	Morning Worship
9.30am	Crowfield	Morning Worship
11.00am	Creeting St Peter	Holy Communion BCP
11.00am	Gosbeck	Holy Communion
3.30pm	Stonham Aspal	Christingle

## TUESDAY 17 January

9.00am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
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**WEDNESDAY 18 January – 25 January**  
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

## NEXT SUNDAY 22 January – Epiphany 3

**Readings:** Isaiah 9. 1-4, 1 Corinthians 1. 10-18, Matthew 4. 12-23

9.30am	Zoom	Morning Worship
9.30am	Hemingstone	Morning Worship
9.30am	Stonham Aspal	Holy Communion with Baptism
11.00am	Creeting St Mary	Holy Communion
11.00am	Earl Stonham	Morning Worship
4.00pm	Coddenham	Evening Prayer

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# READINGS 15 January – Epiphany 2

## Isaiah 49:1-7

**49** Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away!  
The LORD called me before I was born,  
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.

<sup>2</sup> He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me;  
he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away.

<sup>3</sup> And he said to me, 'You are my servant,  
Israel, in whom I will be glorified.'

<sup>4</sup> But I said, 'I have laboured in vain,  
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;  
yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God.'

<sup>5</sup> And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant,  
to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him,  
for I am honoured in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—<sup>6</sup> he says, 'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant  
to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel;  
I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the  
end of the earth.'

<sup>7</sup> Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,  
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers,  
'Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,  
because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has  
chosen you.'

## 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

**1** Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our  
brother Sosthenes,

<sup>2</sup> To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in  
Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place  
call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

<sup>3</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup> I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that  
has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup> for in every way you have been  
enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— <sup>6</sup> just as the  
testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— <sup>7</sup> so that you are  
not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord

Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup> He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup> God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **John 1:29-42**

<sup>29</sup> The next day he saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup> This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." <sup>31</sup> I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' <sup>32</sup> And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup> I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." <sup>34</sup> And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.'

<sup>35</sup> The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup> and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' <sup>37</sup> The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup> When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' <sup>39</sup> He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. <sup>40</sup> One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. <sup>41</sup> He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). <sup>42</sup> He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

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### **BENEFICE TRIP TO IONA**

Our delayed benefice trip to Iona in May, lead by Archdeacon David, is approaching fast! There have been some changes over the past two years to those who are coming, and we now find that we have two vacancies. If you or someone you know, might be interested in joining us for what promises to be a fascinating and enjoyable trip, please contact Helen Norris (07789227902) or Debbie McDonnell (07557539834) for further details. Our stay on Iona will be 21-27 May.

# WHAT'S ON



**Sunday 15 January, 3.30pm, Stonham Aspal: CHRISTINGLE.**  
Come and make your Christingle – the light of Christ. All welcome.  
Collection for the Children's Society. Refreshments afterwards.

**Tuesday 17 January, 12 noon, Gosbeck Village Hall: SERVICE AND SOUP.** More information from Judy Hailes, [01449 760375](tel:01449760375).

**Wednesday 18 January, 9.30am, meet at Crowfield Village Hall: TEN VILLAGE WALKING GROUP.** Contact [suehargadon@outlook.com](mailto:suehargadon@outlook.com) or 01449 711906 for more details.

**Every Thursday, 8.45am – about 11.30am, Stonham Aspal Church: WINTER COFFEE INN.** Keep warm this winter. Plenty of food and drink, excellent company, always someone to chat to. Come for a short time, or stay longer. Under fives bring an adult! Everyone welcome!

**Thursdays 19 January, 2, 9, 16, 23 February, 6pm, Earl Stonham Village Hall: CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED.** A relaxed seven week course exploring the life of Jesus. Who is Jesus? What did he achieve? What does it mean for us today? Starting with a warm supper. For more details or to book a place please contact [henrystanford@btinternet.com](mailto:henrystanford@btinternet.com) or 01449 711742, or Anne on 07766830977.

**Friday 20 January, Crowfield Village Hall: CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT.** Tables of 6, £3 per participant. Bring your own drinks and nibbles. Proceeds to winning team's chosen charity.

**Monday 23 January, 2.30pm, Earl Stonham Parish Room: ECUMENICAL PRAYER MEETING** Should you be unable to join us, please let me know if you have any prayer requests. Maggie (07939 912080).

**Sunday 29 January, 2pm, Gosbeck Village Hall: LITTER PICK.**

**Sunday 29 January, 4.00pm, Stonham Aspal Church: CHORAL EVENSONG FOR CANDLEMAS.** During this service we look back to the birth of our Lord and forward to the coming days of his passion. Refreshments afterwards.

**For your event on here or to receive this by email, contact Liz on 01449 711365 or [lizandjohnnince@gmail.com](mailto:lizandjohnnince@gmail.com) by Tuesday**