



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.

SUNDAY 8 January – Epiphany (Plough Sunday)

Readings: Isaiah 60. 1-6, Ephesians 3. 1-12, Matthew 2. 1-12

9.30am	Zoom	Morning Worship
9.30am	Hemingstone	Holy Communion
9.30am	Stonham Aspal	Ploughing for All
11.00am	Creeting St Mary	Morning Prayer BCP
11.00am	Earl Stonham	Holy Communion
4.00pm	Gosbeck	Christingle

TUESDAY 10 January

9.00am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
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WEDNESDAY 11 January

10.30am	Earl Stonham	Holy Communion
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NEXT 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

Rector: **Revd Philip Payne 01449 711684**
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READINGS 8 January – Epiphany (Plough Sunday)

Isaiah 60:1-6

60 Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.
² For darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;
but the LORD will arise upon you,
and his glory will appear over you.
³ Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.
⁴ Lift up your eyes and look around;
they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from far away,
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.
⁵ Then you shall see and be radiant;
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.
⁶ A multitude of camels shall cover you,
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come.
They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

Ephesians 3:1-12

3 This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— ² for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, ³ and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, ⁴ a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. ⁵ In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: ⁶ that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.
⁷ Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. ⁸ Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, ⁹ and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all

things; ¹⁰ so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. ¹¹ This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹² in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Matthew 2:1-12

2 In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ² asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' ³ When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵ They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

⁶ "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel."

⁷ Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸ Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' ⁹ When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹ On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹² And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

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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 8 January, 9.30am, Stonham Aspal: PLOUGHING FOR ALL
Bring your toy tractor, plough, and gardening tools for the display. All welcome. Refreshments afterwards.

Sunday 8 January, 4.00pm, Gosbeck: CHRISTINGLE. Come and make your Christingle.

Wednesday 11 January, Crowfield Village Hall, CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

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. Everyone welcome!

Thursdays 12, 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 or 01449 711742, or Anne on 07766830977.

Saturday 14 January, 10am – 12 noon, Creting St Peter Parish Room: JANUARY COFFEE MORNING.

Sunday 15 January, 3.30pm, Stonham Aspal: CHRISTINGLE. Come to make your Christingle – the light of Christ. Everyone welcome. Collection for the Children's Society.

Monday 16 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).

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

For your event on here or to receive this by email, contact Liz on 01449 711365 or lizandjohnnce@gmail.com by Tuesday