



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

** Readings marked ** must be used as first or second reading

SUNDAY 28 April – EASTER 5

Readings: Genesis 22. 1-18, Acts 8. 26-40**, John 15. 1-8

9.30am	Hemingstone	Morning Worship
9.30am	Stonham Aspal	Holy Communion
11.00am	Creeting St Mary	Holy Communion
11.00am	Earl Stonham	Morning Worship
6.30pm	Coddenham	Evening Prayer

TUESDAY 30 April

9.00am	Online Zoom	Morning Prayer
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NEXT SUNDAY 5 May – EASTER 6 Rogation Sunday

Readings: Isaiah 55. 1-11, Acts 10. 44-end**, John 15. 9-17

9.30am	Creeting St Peter	Morning Worship
9.30am	Crowfield	Morning Worship
11.00am	Coddenham	Holy Communion
11.00am	Gosbeck	Morning Worship
3.30pm	Stonham Parva	Rogation Service
6.30pm	Hemingstone	Evening Prayer

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READINGS – 28 April – Easter 5

Genesis 22:1-18

22 After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, ‘Abraham!’ And he said, ‘Here I am.’ ² He said, ‘Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt-offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.’ ³ So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt-offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. ⁴ On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. ⁵ Then Abraham said to his young men, ‘Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.’ ⁶ Abraham took the wood of the burnt-offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. ⁷ Isaac said to his father Abraham, ‘Father!’ And he said, ‘Here I am, my son.’ He said, ‘The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt-offering?’ ⁸ Abraham said, ‘God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt-offering, my son.’ So the two of them walked on together. ⁹ When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰ Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill^[a] his son. ¹¹ But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, ‘Abraham, Abraham!’ And he said, ‘Here I am.’ ¹² He said, ‘Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.’ ¹³ And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt-offering instead of his son. ¹⁴ So Abraham called that place ‘The LORD will provide’; as it is said to this day, ‘On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.’ ¹⁵ The angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven, ¹⁶ and said, ‘By myself I have sworn, says the LORD: Because you have done this, and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷ I will indeed bless you, and I will make your offspring as numerous as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of their enemies, ¹⁸ and by your offspring shall all the nations of the earth gain blessing for themselves, because you have obeyed my voice.’

Acts 8:26-40

²⁶ Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.)

²⁷ So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸ and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹ Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' ³⁰ So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' ³¹ He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. ³² Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: 'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. ³³ In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.' ³⁴ The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' ³⁵ Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶ As they were going along the road, they came to some water, and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' ³⁸ He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. ³⁹ When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰ But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

John 15:1-8

15 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. ² He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³ You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴ Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵ I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶ Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷ If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸ My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

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WHAT'S ON

Friday 26 April, 7.00pm, The Coddendam Centre: ST MARY'S CLOTHES SWAP. 5 items of clothing and 2 accessories + children's clothes for £5 to swap. Prosecco or a soft drink. Raffle. Tickets from the Shop or on arrival. Proceeds to St Mary's Church Repairs Appeal.

Every Monday, 10am-11am, Crowfield Village Hall: COFFEE ON MONDAYS. More details from nicholasjardine40@gmail.com

Monday 6 May, 12noon-5pm, Mendlesham Church, MENDLESHAM HERITAGE FAIR. Watch the Parish Militia training, hear of Tudor village life, see two international armour and longbow experts, try on replica armour and see a variety of craftspeople demonstrating Tudor crafts Entry £10 under 16s Free. ALL PROFITS TOWARDS THE ARMOURY PROJECT. Parking available in Mendlesham Playing Fields.

Tuesday 7 May, Gosbeck Village Hall, SERVICE AND SOUP. For more information – ask Judy on 01449 760375.

Every Thursday, 10am, Stonham Aspal Church: COFFEE INN. All welcome for coffee, tea, biscuits and a chat.

Saturday 11 May, 10.00 - 12 noon, Coddendam church: COFFEE MORNING AND PLANT SALE. Come along for homemade cakes and coffee, and choose from a wide range of plants. All very welcome

Tuesday 21 May, Gosbeck Village Hall, SERVICE AND SOUP. For more information – ask Judy on 01449 760375.

Saturday 1 June, 12noon – 4pm, Hemingstone Church: VILLAGE FETE. Raffle, Plants, refreshments, stalls & games. In aid of St Gregory's.

Monday 3 June, 2.30pm, Earl Stonham Parish Room: ECUMENICAL PRAYER MEETING Should you be unable to join us, please let Maggie Podd know if you have any prayer requests (07939 912080).

Saturday 15 June, 2pm-5pm, Creeting St Mary Village Hall: TABLE TOP SALE AND CAFÉ. Donations welcome or hire a table for £5. All funds raised for repairs for the Vestry Roof.

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