



THE NORTH BOSMERE BENEFICE
Coddtenham, Creeting St Mary,
Creeting St Peter, Crowfield, Earl Stonham
with Stonham Parva, Gosbeck,
Hemingstone, Stonham Aspal and Mickfield.



SUNDAY 7 December, Advent 2

Readings: Isaiah 11.1-10, Romans 15. 4-13, Matthew 3. 1-12

9.30am	Crowfield	Christingle
11.00am	Coddtenham	Holy Communion
11.00am	Gosbeck	Advent Carol Service
3.30pm	Earl Stonham	Christingle
4.00pm	Hemingstone	Evening Prayer

Wednesday 10 December

Readings Isaiah 40. 25-end, Matthew 11. 28-end

10.30am	Earl Stonham	Holy Communion
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Saturday 13 December

4.00pm	Stonham Parva	Carols by candlelight with Choir
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NEXT SUNDAY 14 December, Advent 3

Readings: Isaiah 35. 1-10, James 5. 7-10, Matthew 11. 2-11

10.30am	Stonham Aspal	Carols for All
11.00am	Hemingstone	Holy Communion
11.00am	Creeting St Mary	Toy and Gift Service
11.00am	Earl Stonham	Toy and Gift Service
5.00pm	Creeting St Peter	Christmas Lights with Toys & Gifts

If you would like a visit in hospital or at home, or need any other help, please contact a member of the Ministry Team or Churchwardens listed in Ten Village News. For transport to a service contact Judy Hailes 01449 760375 judithhailes@btinternet.com

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Isaiah 11:1-10

¹ A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

² The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

³ His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.
He shall not judge by what his eyes see,
or decide by what his ears hear;

⁴ but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

⁵ Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

⁶ The wolf shall live with the lamb,
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,
and a little child shall lead them.

⁷ The cow and the bear shall graze,
their young shall lie down together;
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

⁸ The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

⁹ They will not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain;
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord
as the waters cover the sea.

¹⁰ On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the
nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Romans 15:4-13

⁴ For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so
that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might
have hope. ⁵ May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you
to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, ⁶ so

that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁷ Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸ For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹ and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, 'Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name'; ¹⁰ and again he says, 'Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people'; ¹¹ and again, 'Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him'; ¹² and again Isaiah says, 'The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.' ¹³ May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 3:1-12

3 In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, ² 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' ³ This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight."' "

⁴ Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵ Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, ⁶ and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

⁷ But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸ Bear fruit worthy of repentance. ⁹ Do not presume to say to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ¹⁰ Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

¹¹ 'I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹² His winnowing-fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing-floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

WHAT'S ON

Saturday 6 December, 4.00pm onwards, Gosbeck: CHRISTMAS TREE SWITCH ON.

Sunday 7 December, 9.30am, Crowfield Church: CHRISTINGLE.

Sunday 7 December, 2pm, Coddendam Church, CO-OP BAND CONCERT.

Sunday 7 December, 3.30pm, Earl Stonham: CHRISTINGLE.

Mondays, 10am – 11am, Crowfield Village Hall: COFFEE on MONDAYS. All welcome. Contact nicholasjardine40@gmail.com

Monday 8 December, 2.00pm, 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).

Wednesday 10 December, 9.30am, Meet in Crowfield Churchyard: TEN VILLAGE WALKING GROUP. Walk to Helmingham Hall with hot drinks and festive cakes in the church porch afterwards.

Wednesday 10 December, 10.30am, Earl Stonham, HOLY COMMUNION

Thursdays, 10am-11.30am, Stonham Aspal Church: COMMUNITY COFFEE. Free Coffee, tea and biscuits for everyone.

Saturday 13 December, 10.00am - 12 noon, Coddendam Church: CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING Join us for festive fayre, a Christmas Raffle and a Guess the Weight of We look forward to welcoming you.

Saturday 13 December, 10.00am - 12noon, Creting St Peter Church Hall: COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 13 December, 4.00pm, Stonham Parva: CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT with BENEFICE CHOIR. Due to the lack of electricity, this really is by candlelight. Wrap up warm and bring a torch!

For your event on here, or to receive this by email or post,
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