



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



SUNDAY 20 September, Trinity 16
(Proper 20)

Readings: Jonah 3. 10-end of 4, Philippians 1. 21-end,
Matthew 20. 1-16

9.30am	Crowfield	Pet service
11.00am	Creeting St Peter	Holy Communion
11.00am	Gosbeck	Morning Worship
6.30pm	Coddtenham	Harvest Songs of Praise

NEXT SUNDAY 27 September, Trinity 17
(Proper 21)

Readings: Ezekiel 18. 1-4, 25-end, Philippians 2. 1-13,
Matthew 21. 23-32

9.30am	Hemingstone	Morning Worship
10.30am	Stonham Aspal	Holy Communion
11.00am	Creeting St Mary	Morning Worship + Baptism
11.00am	Earl Stonham	Harvest Worship
6.30pm	Coddtenham	Evening Prayer

If you would like a visit in hospital or at home, or need any other help,
please contact northbosmerebenefice@gmail.com. For transport to a
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Jonah 3. 10-end of 4

¹⁰ When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. **4** But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. ² He prayed to the Lord and said, 'O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. ³ And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.' ⁴ And the Lord said, 'Is it right for you to be angry?' ⁵ Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

⁶ The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. ⁷ But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. ⁸ When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, 'It is better for me to die than to live.'

⁹ But God said to Jonah, 'Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?' And he said, 'Yes, angry enough to die.' ¹⁰ Then the Lord said, 'You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labour and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. ¹¹ And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?'

Philippians 1. 21-end

²¹ For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²² If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³ I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴ but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵ Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶ so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

²⁷ Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know

that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸ and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. ²⁹ For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well— ³⁰ since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Matthew 20:1-16

20 'For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. ² After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; ⁴ and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. ⁵ When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. ⁶ And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" ⁷ They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard." ⁸ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." ⁹ When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰ Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹ And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹² saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." ¹³ But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" ¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

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CODDENHAM BABY AND TODDLER GROUP – VOLUNTEERS PLEASE

The main jobs are setting up and tidying away, making hot drinks, preparing snacks and, most importantly, talking to the children and their parents/carers. We meet on Wednesday mornings during term time, 9.30am - 11am at The Coddensham Centre. If you would like to find out more or volunteer, please contact Debbie McDonnell - deborah.mcdonnell3@btinternet.com or 07557539834.

WHAT'S ON

Friday 18 September, 10.30am- 12 noon, Earl Stonham Village Hall: COFFEE AND CAKE. Every third Friday

Saturday 19 September, 3.30pm, St Edmundsbury Cathedral: REMEMBERING TOGETHER. A special service for all those who have experienced the death of a child.

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

Thursday 24 September, 10am-11.30am, Creeting St Mary, COFFEE MORNING. Donation to vestry fund.

Thursdays, 10am-11.30am, Stonham Aspal Church: COMMUNITY COFFEE. Free coffee, tea and biscuits for everyone, and often cake!

Thursday 24 September, 2 pm, Chapel Farm, Fen Lane IP14 5EF: BOOK OF DANIEL. The second of 7 week Bible Study. All welcome.

Tuesday 29 September and Tuesday 3 November at 2pm, 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 and Sunday 3 and 4 October, Hemingstone: HARVEST FLOWER FESTIVAL. Celebratory service at 9.30am on Sunday 4 October. Donation welcomed for Stowmarket Food Bank.

Saturday 10 October, 10.00 - 12 noon, St Mary's church Coddendam PRESERVES DAY AT CODDENHAM'S COFFEE MORNING. Jams, Marmalade and Chutneys for sale. Fresh coffee and homemade cakes to enjoy. We look forward to welcoming you.

Saturday 10 October, 10am-12noon, Stonham Aspal: CHURCHYARD CLEARUP. All help welcomed.

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