



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



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 Aspall	Holy Communion
11.00am	Creeting St Mary	Morning Worship + Baptism
11.00am	Earl Stonham	Harvest Worship
6.30pm	Coddtenham	Evening Prayer

NEXT SUNDAY 4 October, Trinity 18
(Proper 22)

Readings: Isaiah 5. 1-7, 25-end, Philippians 3. 4b-14
Matthew 21. 33-end

9.30am	Creeting St Peter	Harvest Worship
9.30am	Crowfield	Harvest Worship
11.00am	Coddtenham	Holy Communion
11.00am	Gosbeck	Morning Worship
6.30pm	Hemingstone	Flower Festival and Harvest

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
service contact Judy Hailes 01449 760375 judithhailes@btinternet.com

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Ezekiel 18:1-4

18 The word of the Lord came to me: ² What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, 'The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge'? ³ As I live, says the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. ⁴ Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

²⁵ Yet you say, 'The way of the Lord is unfair.' Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? ²⁶ When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. ²⁷ Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. ²⁸ Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. ²⁹ Yet the house of Israel says, 'The way of the Lord is unfair.' O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

³⁰ Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. ³¹ Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? ³² For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

Philippians 2:1-13

2 If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, ² make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³ Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. ⁴ Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. ⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

⁶ who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,

⁷ but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,

being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
⁸ he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.
⁹ Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
¹¹ and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Shining as Lights in the World

¹² Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; ¹³ for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Matthew 21:23-32

²³ When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, ‘By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?’ ²⁴ Jesus said to them, ‘I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵ Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?’ And they argued with one another, ‘If we say, “From heaven”, he will say to us, “Why then did you not believe him?”’ ²⁶ But if we say, “Of human origin”, we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.’ ²⁷ So they answered Jesus, ‘We do not know.’ And he said to them, ‘Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. ²⁸ What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, “Son, go and work in the vineyard today.”’ ²⁹ He answered, “I will not”; but later he changed his mind and went. ³⁰ The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, “I go, sir”; but he did not go. ³¹ Which of the two did the will of his father?’ They said, ‘The first.’ Jesus said to them, ‘Truly I tell you, the tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. ³² For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

CODDENHAM BABY AND TODDLER GROUP – VOLUNTEERS PLEASE

Wednesday mornings during term time, 9.30am - 11am at The Coddendam Centre. Contact Debbie McDonnell deborah.mcdonnell3@btinternet.com or 07557539834.

WHAT'S ON

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

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).

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

Thursday 1 October, 2 pm, Chapel Farm, Fen Lane IP14 5EF: BOOK OF DANIEL. The second of 7 week Bible Study. All welcome.

Saturday and Sunday 3 and 4 October, Hemingstone: HARVEST FLOWER FESTIVAL. Celebratory service at 6.30pm on Sunday 4 October. Donations welcomed for Stowmarket Food Bank.

Tuesday 6 October, 12 noon, Gosbeck Village Hall; SOUP AND SERVICE on the first and third Tuesday in the month. Contact Judy Hailes 01449760375. Just turn up for food and fellowship.

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.

Friday 16 October, 10.30am- 12 noon, Earl Stonham Village Hall: COFFEE AND CAKE. Every third Friday.

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