



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



SUNDAY 2 February, Candlemas

Readings: Malachi 3. 1-5, Hebrews 2. 14-end, Luke 2. 22-40

11.00am	Coddenham	Holy Communion
4.00pm	Hemingstone	Candlemas Choral Evensong

Please note all Morning Worship services on 2 February are cancelled as the Candlemas Choral Evensong is a special service and everyone is invited to attend.

NEXT SUNDAY 9 February, Fourth Sunday before Lent

Readings: Isaiah 6. 1-8, [9-end], 1 Corinthians 15. 1-11, Luke 5. 1-11

9.30am	Hemingstone	Holy Communion
10.30am	Stonham Aspal	Worship for All
11.00am	Creeting St Mary	Morning Prayer BCP
11.00am	Earl Stonham	Morning Worship
4.00pm	Gosbeck	Evening Prayer
4.00pm	Stonham Aspal	Evening Prayer

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

READINGS: 2 February, Candlemas

Malachi 3:1-5

³ See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. ² But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; ³ he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. ⁴ Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

⁵ Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.

Hebrews 2:14-18

¹⁴ Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵ and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. ¹⁶ For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. ¹⁷ Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. ¹⁸ Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Luke 2:22-40

²² When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³ (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), ²⁴ and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. ²⁶ It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. ²⁷ Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, ²⁸ Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, ²⁹ 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; ³⁰ for my eyes have seen your salvation, ³¹ which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, ³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.' ³³ And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. ³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵ so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.' ³⁶ There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, ³⁷ then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸ At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

The Return to Nazareth

³⁹ When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰ The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

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EVENSONG FOR CANDLEMAS

*The Purification of Mary and
The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple*

4.00pm Sunday 2 February
Hemingstone

WHAT'S ON

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

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

Wednesday 12 February, 9.30am, Gosbeck Village Hall, **TEN VILLAGE WALKING GROUP**. Contact suehargadon@outlook.com or 07754 611004 / 01449 711906 for more details.

Monday 24 February, 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).

Sunday 2 March, 3pm, Creeting St Mary Church: **BENEFICE SONGS OF PRAISE** with Church Band. Shared refreshments afterwards.

Friday 7 March, 10am, Earl Stonham Church: **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**. Everyone welcome to this Ecumenical service.

North Bosmere Benefice

Songs of Praise



The Ten Village Band leads us as we celebrate St. David and St. Patrick.



3pm 2 March
St Mary's Church
Creeting St Mary

Followed by shared afternoon tea



Earl Stonham Church
10.00 am
Friday 7th March 2025
Contact: Anne Stanford
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