



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



## **SUNDAY 26 January, Epiphany 3**

**Readings:** Nehemiah 8. 1-3, 5-6, 8-10, 1 Corinthians 12. 12-31a,  
Luke 4. 14-21

9.30am	Hemingstone	Morning Worship
10.30am	Stonham Aspal	Holy Communion
11.00am	Creeting St Mary	Morning Worship
11.00am	Earl Stonham	Morning Worship
4.00pm	Coddenham	Evening Prayer

## **NEXT 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.

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](mailto:judithhailes@btinternet.com)

# READINGS: 26 January Epiphany 3

## Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

8 <sup>1</sup> all the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. <sup>2</sup> Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. <sup>3</sup> He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. <sup>5</sup> And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. <sup>6</sup> Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, 'Amen, Amen', lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the Lord with their faces to the ground. <sup>8</sup> So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. <sup>9</sup> And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. <sup>10</sup> Then he said to them, 'Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.'

## 1 Corinthians 12:12-31

<sup>12</sup> For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup> For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

<sup>14</sup> Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. <sup>15</sup> If the foot were to say, 'Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. <sup>16</sup> And if the ear were to say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. <sup>17</sup> If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? <sup>18</sup> But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. <sup>19</sup> If all were a single member, where would

the body be? <sup>20</sup> As it is, there are many members, yet one body. <sup>21</sup> The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I have no need of you', nor again the head to the feet, 'I have no need of you.' <sup>22</sup> On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, <sup>23</sup> and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; <sup>24</sup> whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, <sup>25</sup> that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. <sup>26</sup> If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it.

<sup>27</sup> Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. <sup>28</sup> And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. <sup>29</sup> Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? <sup>30</sup> Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? <sup>31</sup> But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

## **Luke 4:14-21**

<sup>14</sup> Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. <sup>15</sup> He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

<sup>16</sup> When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, <sup>17</sup> and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

<sup>18</sup> 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me  
to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives  
and recovery of sight to the blind,  
to let the oppressed go free,

<sup>19</sup> to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

<sup>20</sup> And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. <sup>21</sup> Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

# WHAT'S ON

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

Tuesday 21 January, 20noon, Gosbeck Village Hall: **SOUP And SERVICE**. For more information contact Judy Hailes 01449760375. Just turn up for food and fellowship.

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

Thursdays 23 January, 6 and 13 February, 6pm Supper – 8pm, Earl Stonham Village Hall. IP14 5HJ. 321 COURSE. Contact: Anne and Henry Stanford 07766 830977, [henrystanford@btinternet.com](mailto:henrystanford@btinternet.com)

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

Monday 17 February, 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).

*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**  
**Creting St Mary**

Followed by shared afternoon tea

**Sunday 2 March, 3pm, Creting St Mary: SONGS OF PRAISE.** On the theme of St David and St Patrick. Everyone welcome. Followed by shared refreshments.

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