



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



## **SUNDAY 23 February, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent**

**Readings:** Genesis 2. 4b-9, 15-end, Revelation 4,  
Luke 8. 22-25

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

## **NEXT SUNDAY 2 March, Sunday next before Lent**

**Readings:** Exodus 34. 29-end, 2 Corinthians 3. 12-4.2,  
Luke 9. 28-36 [37-43a]

11.00am	Crowfield	Holy Communion
3.00pm	Creeting St Mary	Songs of Praise

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: 23 February, Second Sunday before Lent

## Genesis 2:4-9, 15-end

<sup>4</sup> These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, <sup>5</sup> when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; <sup>6</sup> but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground— <sup>7</sup> then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. <sup>8</sup> And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. <sup>9</sup> Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. <sup>15</sup> The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup> And the Lord God commanded the man, ‘You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; <sup>17</sup> but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.’

<sup>18</sup> Then the Lord God said, ‘It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.’ <sup>19</sup> So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup> The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. <sup>21</sup> So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. <sup>22</sup> And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. <sup>23</sup> Then the man said,

‘This at last is bone of my bones  
and flesh of my flesh;  
this one shall be called Woman,  
for out of Man this one was taken.’

<sup>24</sup> Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. <sup>25</sup> And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

## Revelation 4

4 After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, 'Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.' <sup>2</sup> At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! <sup>3</sup> And the one seated there looks like jasper and cornelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. <sup>4</sup> Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. <sup>5</sup> Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; <sup>6</sup> and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal.

Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: <sup>7</sup> the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. <sup>8</sup> And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing, Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come.' <sup>9</sup> And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives for ever and ever, <sup>10</sup> the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives for ever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing, <sup>11</sup> 'You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.'

## Luke 8:22-25

<sup>22</sup> One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, <sup>23</sup> and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. <sup>24</sup> They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. <sup>25</sup> He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

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# WHAT'S ON

**Sunday 23 February, Closing date to order REAL EASTER EGGS**

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

**Monday 24 February, 2pm, Earl Stonham Parish Room: ECUMENICAL PRAYER MEETING** Prayer requests to Maggie Podd (07939 912080).

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

**Sunday 2 March, 3pm, Creeting St Mary Church: BENEFICE SONGS OF PRAISE** commemorating St David and St Patrick with the Church Band. Come and sing lots of lovely hymns. Shared refreshments afterwards.

**Tuesday 4 March, 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.

**Friday 7 March, 10am, Earl Stonham Church: WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** prepared by Christian Women in the Cook Islands. Everyone warmly welcomed. Refreshments afterwards. More details from [annestanford@btinternet.com](mailto:annestanford@btinternet.com) or 07766 830977.

**Saturday 8 March, 8.30am, Stonham Aspal Village Hall: MEN'S BREAKFAST.** Speaker Mr Paul Smiddy on the life of Mrs Victor Bruce. £10. Book early [djtydeman@gmail.com](mailto:djtydeman@gmail.com) 01449 711124 or [moodysjandl@gmail.com](mailto:moodysjandl@gmail.com) or 01449 710816.

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

**Saturday 15 March, 10 to 12 noon, Coddendam Church: CODDENHAM COFFEE MORNING IS BACK!** Join us at St Mary's church for bacon butties, and have a look at the range of products from Fair Trade, Homemade cakes and fresh coffee will also be available.

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