The Dunster Benefice

Carhampton, Dunster, Timberscombe, Withycombe with Rodhuish, Wootton Courtenay

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Every Day Faith Portal

The Church of England has created this resource of reflections, prayers and guidance to encourage people in their everyday faith. You need to sign up (no charge) and then you can select topics which interest you to form your own package. For more information on the Church of England's website click

here or to go straight to the sign up page click here.



Christian Aid Online Conference 20-25 February

For traditional supporters and those who wish to learn more about Christian actions in a wider context. To find out more and register click here to go to Christian Aid's website.

Sunday 20th February (Second before Lent) Readings & Collect

Almighty God, give us reverence for all creation and respect for every person, that we may mirror your likeness in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Revelation Chapter 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.' At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! And the one seated there looks like jasper and cornelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. 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. 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; 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: 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. 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.'

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, 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,

'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

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, 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. 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. 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?'

SERVICES THIS WEEK

This Sunday there will be Holy Communion services at
Carhampton (CW) and Withycombe (CW) at 9.30am and at
Timberscombe (CW) and Wootton Courtenay (BCP) at 11am.
Code: CW = Common Worship BCP = Book of Common Prayer
Most churches will be open for private prayer on a Sunday or some other day
of the week, please keep an eye on the notice boards.

Rector: Revd Caroline Ralph Associate Priest: Revd Margaret Jackson

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