

**The Dunster Benefice**  
Carhampton, Dunster, Timberscombe,  
Withycombe with Rodhuish, Wootton Courtenay  
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**Spring Harvest** is back in Minehead this year from 18th-22nd April. They are no longer giving free tickets to local churches but we are able to pre-book some at a discount. The normal price for a day ticket will be £40 but they are offering a special discounted local church rate of £5. One child under age 15 can go free with each adult. If you are interested in going please contact Tracey ([dunsterbenefice@gmail.com](mailto:dunsterbenefice@gmail.com)) so that she can contact you direct once booking details have been received. For more information on the Spring Harvest website click [here](#).

**Accession Day** Sunday 6th February marks the seventieth anniversary of Her Majesty the Queen's accession to the throne. BBC Radio 4 Sunday Worship (8.10am) has a service of Matins from Westminster Abbey to celebrate.

**A Collect for Accession Day**  
*Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness, bless our Sovereign Lady, Queen Elizabeth, and all who are in authority under her; that they may order all things in wisdom and equity, righteousness and peace, to the honour and glory of your name and the good of your Church and people; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*



**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> February (Fourth before Lent)**

**Readings & Collect**

Lord of the hosts of heaven, our salvation and our strength, without you we are lost: guard us from all that harms or hurts and raise us when we fall; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Common Worship Collect taken from Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England © The Archbishops' Council 2000

**1 Corinthians 15. 1-11**

Now I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

**Luke 5. 1-11**

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.' When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.' When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him

**SERVICES THIS WEEK**

**This Sunday there will be services at Carhampton (CFW),  
Withycombe (HC, CW) and Wootton Courtenay (HC, CW) at 9.30am and  
Dunster (HC, CW) and Timberscombe (HC, CW) at 11am  
Code: HC = Holy Communion CFW = Church Family Worship  
CW = Common Worship**

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Associate Priest: Revd Margaret Jackson

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