

The Dunster Benefice
Carhampton, Dunster, Timberscombe,
Withycombe with Rodhuish, Wootton Courtenay
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Replica Shroud of Turin Exhibition

All Saints' Church, Rockwell Green, Wellington, TA21 9DH. The exhibition includes information boards about art, history and the latest research on the shroud. Free entry, donations welcome, refreshments available. Open Saturday 11th and Monday 13th September, 10am - 4.30pm and on Sunday 12th September, 11.15am Sung Eucharist and a Reflection on the Shroud followed by viewing 12.30pm - 4.30pm.

BRING AND SHARE

BENEFICE TEA

(cake and scones)

THURSDAY 9th SEPTEMBER

3.30-5pm

You are welcome to arrive any time from 3pm.

DUNSTER TITHE BARN

(Reception Area)

Thank you to all those who have said they can come. We can certainly accommodate latecomers too. Tea and coffee will of course be supplied, but please bring something to share for tea together.

ALL WELCOME



Sunday 5th September (Fourteenth after Trinity)

Readings & Collect

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross:
may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness
that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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James 2. 1-13

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favouritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, 'Have a seat here, please', while to the one who is poor you say, 'Stand there', or, 'Sit at my feet', have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonoured the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, 'You shall not commit adultery', also said, 'You shall not murder.' Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgement will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgement.

Mark 7. 24-end

From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, 'Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' But she answered him, 'Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs.' Then he said to her, 'For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.' So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, 'He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.'

SERVICES THIS WEEK

This Sunday there will be services at

***Carhampton (CFW), Withycombe (HC, CW) and Wootton Courtenay (HC, CW)
at 9.30am and at Dunster (HC, CW) and Timberscombe (HC, BCP) at 11am.***

Code: HC = Holy Communion CFW = Church Family Worship

CW = Common Worship BCP = Book of Common Prayer

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