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Monday 18th October is Anti-Slavery Day. The Clewer Initiative is the national work of the Church of England to combat modern slavery. On its website there are prayers for Anti-Slavery Day in written and video form. Click [here](#) to view.

To celebrate Black History Month BBC Songs of Praise (Sunday 17th, 1.15pm, BBC 1) hears how people of Caribbean and African descent have shaped the life and faith of the UK.

BBC Radio 4 Sunday Worship (Sunday 17th, 8.10am) from Ely Cathedral celebrates **Women in Church Music**. The preacher is the Reverend Canon Dr Jessica Martin with music from Ely Cathedral Girls Choir and Lay Clerks directed by Sarah MacDonald.

All Souls' Reminder



If you would like the name of a loved one who has died read out at the service on 31st October please email Tracey by Wednesday 27th October (dunsterbenefice@gmail.com). If you are unable to email please give names to your churchwardens to pass on to Tracey.

Sunday 17th October (Twentieth after Trinity)

Readings & Collect

God, our light and our salvation: illuminate our lives, that we may see your goodness in the land of the living, and looking on your beauty may be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Job 38.1-7, 34-end

Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:

'Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

'Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

'Can you lift up your voice to the clouds, so that a flood of waters may cover you? Can you send forth lightnings, so that they may go and say to you, "Here we are"? Who has put wisdom in the inward parts, or given understanding to the mind? Who has the wisdom to number the clouds? Or who can tilt the waterskins of the heavens, when the dust runs into a mass and the clods cling together?

'Can you hunt the prey for the lion, or satisfy the appetite of the young lions, when they crouch in their dens, or lie in wait in their covert? Who provides for the raven its prey, when its young ones cry to God, and wander about for lack of food?

Mark 10. 35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.'

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

SERVICES THIS WEEK

This Sunday there will be Common Worship Holy Communion services at Carhampton (CW) at 9.30am and at Timberscombe (CW) at 11am.

There will also be Harvest Festivals at Withycombe at 9.30am and Wootton Courtenay at 6pm.

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