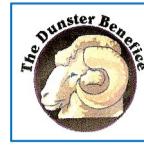


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**Diocesan Manna Magazine** Some of you may remember the Manna magazine that was sent round quarterly to churches by the diocese. It is now a monthly online mailing which may be downloaded from the diocesan website by clicking [here](#). If you would like to sign up to receive it direct by email click [here](#) to go to the diocesan sign up page.

**Prayer for Ukraine** The Church of England Diocese in Europe has some resources for the Ukraine crisis on its website including a video of the Lord's Prayer - words onscreen in English and Ukrainian and read in Ukrainian. Click [here](#) to view the page or [here](#) to go direct to the Lord's Prayer on YouTube.

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March (Second of Lent)**

**Readings & Collect**

Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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**Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18**

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the LORD came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness. Then he said to him, 'I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.' But he said, 'O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?' He said to him, 'Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire-pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, 'To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates,

**Luke 13.31-end**

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem." Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord."'

**SERVICES THIS WEEK**

**This Sunday there will be services at**  
**Carhampton (CFW), and Rodhuish (HC, CW), at 9.30am and**  
**Dunster (HC, CW), Timberscombe (HC, BCP, said)**  
**and Wootton Courtenay (SoP) at 11am**

**Code: CFW = Church Family Worship HC = Holy Communion**

**CW = Common Worship BCP = Book of Common Prayer SoP = Songs of Praise**

Rector: Revd Caroline Ralph

Associate Priest: Revd Margaret Jackson

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