

**The Dunster Benefice**  
**Carhampton, Dunster, Timberscombe,**  
**Withycombe with Rodhuish, Wootton Courtenay**  
**Newsletter 29th July 2022**



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**Prayer Time Correction**

There is an open prayer time at St John the Baptist Church (in the porch at present), Carhampton, **each Friday at 9.30am**, not 10am as stated last week.

**Flower Festival Reminder**

**St George's Church, Dunster, 29th, 30th and 31st July**

All are welcome to come and see the displays around the church depicting life in Dunster. Refreshments 10am - 4pm. Bric-a-Brac Stall, Greetings Cards, Second Hand Books. Free Admission. Donations much appreciated.



On Saturday the Church remembers in its prayers the Anti-Slavery Campaigners

**William Wilberforce, Olaudah Equiano and Thomas Clarkson.**

In response to **Modern Slavery** our diocese has facilitated

**Hidden Voices Somerset (HVS)** in partnership with **The Clewer Initiative.**

To find out more about HVS click [here](#) to go to the Diocese of Bath and Wells

website and for more information from The Clewer Initiative click [here](#).

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**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July (Seventh of Trinity) Readings & Collect**

Generous God,  
you give us gifts and make them grow:  
though our faith is small as mustard seed,  
make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

**Colossians 3.1-11**

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

**Luke 12.13-21**

Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

**SERVICES THIS WEEK**

**This Sunday there will be a**  
**Benefice Holy Communion (Common Worship) Service at**  
**Withycombe at 11am.**

Rector: Revd Caroline Ralph

Associate Priest: Revd Margaret Jackson

*Common Worship Collect taken from Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England*

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