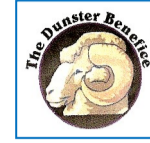


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**All Souls' Service** on **6th November** at **6pm** in **St George's, Dunster**. If you would like the name of a loved one who has died read out at this service please let us have their name by Wednesday 2nd November. You can let us know by:

- ♦ Emailing us at [dunsterbenefice@gmail.com](mailto:dunsterbenefice@gmail.com)
- ♦ Phoning us on 01643 821812
- ♦ Writing their name on one of the lists that are in the churches (apart from Carhampton)

**Carhampton Soup Lunch**

The first church soup lunch of autumn will be on **Saturday 5th November** at the **Village Hall** from **12 noon to 2 pm** so make a note in your diary and come along.

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**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October (Fourth before Advent) Readings & Collect**

God of glory,  
touch our lips with the fire of your Spirit,  
that we with all creation may rejoice to sing your praise;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

**Isaiah 1.10-18**

Hear the word of the LORD, you rulers of Sodom!  
Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah!  
What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the LORD;  
I have had enough of burnt-offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts;  
I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats.  
When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand?  
Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile;  
incense is an abomination to me.  
New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation—  
I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.  
Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates;  
they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them.  
When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you;  
even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood.  
Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;  
remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes;  
cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed,  
defend the orphan, plead for the widow.  
Come now, let us argue it out, says the LORD:  
though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow;  
though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

**Luke 19.1-10**

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax-collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycomore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today.' So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, 'He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.' Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, 'Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.' Then Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.'

**SERVICES THIS WEEK**

***This Sunday there will be a  
Benefice Holy Communion (Common Worship) Service in  
Carhampton VILLAGE HALL at 11am.***

Rector: Revd Caroline Ralph

Associate Priest: Revd Margaret Jackson

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