

The Dunster Benefice
Carhampton, Dunster, Timberscombe,
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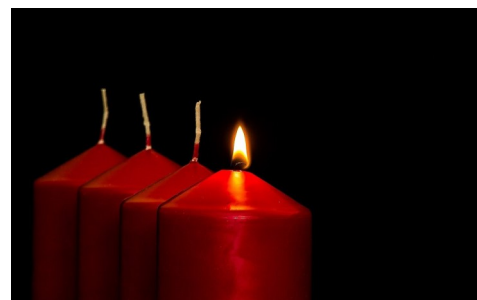
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Somerset Opera will be performing '*Amahl and the Night Visitors*', at St George's, Dunster, at 7pm on Thursday 8th December. This is an opera in one act by Gian Carlo Menotti with an original English libretto by the composer. Tickets cost £15 and will be free to under 16s. Tickets are available from Homecoming on High Street, Dunster, as well as from Somerset Opera's website (click [here](#)) and also on the door.

BBC Radio 4 Sunday Worship 8.10am Sunday 27th November marks the beginning of the season of Advent with John Bell of the Iona Community reflecting on 'The best of times and the worst of times'.

Sunday 27th November (First of Advent)
Readings & Collect

Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin to the
light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.
Amen.



Isaiah 2.1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say,

'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.
He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

Matthew 24.36-44

'But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

SERVICES THIS WEEK

This Sunday there will be services at

Carhampton VILLAGE HALL (HC, CW) and Wootton Courtenay (HC, BCP, said)
at 9.30am

&

Dunster (MP, CW) and Timberscombe (MP, CW) at 11am.

Code: HC = Holy Communion MP = Morning Prayer

BCP = Book of Common Prayer CW = Common Worship

Rector: Revd Caroline Ralph

Associate Priest: Revd Margaret Jackson

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