

The Dunster Benefice
Carhampton, Dunster, Timberscombe,
Withycombe with Rodhuish, Wootton Courtenay
Newsletter 4th November 2022



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From the **West Somerset Food Cupboard's** newsletter:

We are preparing for Christmas now and would love everyone to be able to enjoy some Christmas treats. Throughout November only, we will be collecting Christmas food items, so we'd be very grateful if you can help with this. They will be distributed in early December, so we'll be back to normal food requests by then.

Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Appeal

Under the Rainbow bookshop (7 Friday Street, Minehead) is registered to take your filled shoe boxes. They have plenty of ready made boxes for you to fill, as well as leaflets with gift ideas and all the details you need. The official collection week is November 14th-21st but if this is not convenient you can drop off your filled shoe box before then at the shop. Their opening hours are:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10am - 4pm
Saturday 10am - 1pm

Closed Wednesdays and Sundays.

It is also possible to send a box online at

[**Shoebbox Online \(samaritans-purse.org.uk\)**](http://Shoebbox Online (samaritans-purse.org.uk))

Volunteers will then fill a box on your behalf.



Sunday 6th November (Third before Advent) Readings & Collect

God, our refuge and strength,
bring near the day when wars shall cease
and poverty and pain shall end,
that earth may know the peace of heaven
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Job 19.23-27a

'O that my words were written down!
O that they were inscribed in a book!
O that with an iron pen and with lead
they were engraved on a rock for ever!
For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;
and after my skin has been thus destroyed,
then in my flesh I shall see God,
whom I shall see on my side,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

Luke 20.27-38

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him and asked him a question, 'Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.'

Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.'

SERVICES THIS WEEK

This Sunday there will be services at

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

&

Dunster (HC, CW) and Timberscombe (HC, CW) at 11am

&

Dunster - Benefice All Souls' Service at 6pm

Code: CFW = Church Family Worship HC = Holy Communion

CW = Common Worship

Rector: Revd Caroline Ralph

Associate Priest: Revd Margaret Jackson

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