Omens

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The rain falls soft after a hard weekend.

Monday murmurs into life, teasing its way, more like night's early hours than a fresh working week.

You watch the crow, poised within a trinity of trees on the damp green, meditating amongst drops.

You pass the tabby cat in the doorway, shrinking back onto hind legs, a concertina of fur.

These seem like omens, though, strangely, not of ill will.

For this rain falls like the calm that follows chaos; like a fast after the feast.