

Next Sunday 18 September Trinity 14

9.30am Elnore Holy Communion

11am Hardwicke: Holy Communion with Sunday school

4pm Longney: Special Service of Remembrance for the life of HM Queen Elizabeth II

Readings: 1 Timothy 2: 1-1, Luke 16: 1-13

PRAYERS PLEASE... for PEACE in Ukraine, South Sudan, Taiwan

...Thank God for grain shipments resuming from Ukraine

...for the sick and struggling: Lesley, Chris, Carol, Sean, Tim, Michelle K, Hilarie, Louie, Karen and Keith, Les, Jamie, Sharon.

....for the family and friends of HM Queen Elizabeth II, Margaret Jones, Tish, Bob Gale, John

.....for Longney and Hardwicke PCCs' re-ordering plans, Elmore's organ and Hardwicke's bells.

.....for Jane Edwards in Mozambique. Her latest prayer letter is at [0822-Edwards.pdf \(bmsworldmission.org\)](#)

.....for Tim Fletcher Pioneer "Sportily" Minister, working on Hunts Grove.

Please use the Benefice Prayer diary. It is on our website.

- *Doff Stone leads Evening Prayer each weekday at 6pm on her Facebook page [\(1\) Dorothy Annabel Stone | Facebook](#)*

Advance Notices

The 11am Hardwicke service will take place at Hardwicke Parochial Primary Academy, Poplar Way, on the 2nd Sunday each month

Harvest Festivals: Longney 9.30am 25 Sept (including pet blessing)

Elmore 9.30am 2 October Hardwicke 11am 9 October (in the school)

Wed 21 Sept 7.30pm Licensing of Rev Heather de Gruyther, Highnam

Sat 24th 10-12, Hardwicke, Macmillan Coffee Morning

Government heating grant. Every household will receive £400 in instalments towards energy costs. Excellent! But Churches get nothing! Please would you consider tithing your £400? If everyone could give £40 to their Church that would make a huge difference. Thank you!

Benefice of Hardwicke with Elmore and Longney

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Assistant Priest Revd George Parfitt

Licensed Readers Pat Buckland, Judy Cheshire and Mike Williams

Authorised Leaders of Worship: Neil Hollis and Doff Stone.

Today Sunday 11 September Trinity 13

9.30am Longney Holy Communion

11am [Hardwicke school](#) : All-Age worship

1 and 2pm Hardwicke: Baptisms

4pm Elmore: Evensong (Psalm 51: 1-11)

Readings: 1 Timothy 1: 12-17, Luke 15: 1-10

Collect

Almighty God,
who called your Church to bear witness
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;
through him who was lifted up on the cross,
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

This week

Wed 14th 9.30am Hardwicke, Holy Communion

7.30pm Hardwicke PCC, Rectory

Friday 16th, 1030-1230, Hardwicke Church [Siobhan Baillee \(MP for Stroud\)](#) will be holding a surgery. Anyone can come to raise concerns

Readings for Trinity 13

1 Timothy 1: 12-17

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, that he considered me trustworthy, appointing me to his service. ¹³ Even though I was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent man, I was shown mercy because I acted in ignorance and unbelief. ¹⁴ The grace of our Lord was poured out on me abundantly, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

¹⁵ Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners – of whom I am the worst. ¹⁶ But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display his immense patience as an example for those who would believe in him and receive eternal life. ¹⁷ Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Luke 15: 1-10

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering round to hear Jesus. ² But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, 'This man welcomes sinners, and eats with them.'

³ Then Jesus told them this parable: ⁴ 'Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? ⁵ And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders ⁶ and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbours together and says, "Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep." ⁷ I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who do not need to repent.

⁸ 'Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins^[a] and loses one. Doesn't she light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully

until she finds it? ⁹ And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbours together and says, "Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin." ¹⁰ In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.'

Psalms 51: 1-11

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.

² Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

³ For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.

⁴ Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are right in your verdict and justified when you judge.

⁵ Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

⁶ Yet you desired faithfulness even in the womb; you taught me wisdom in that secret place.

⁷ Cleanse me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

⁸ Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice.

⁹ Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity.

¹⁰ Create in me a pure heart, O God and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

¹¹ Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me.