

### **Next Sunday 25 September Trinity 13**

9.30am Longney Harvest Festival and Pet blessing, Holy Communion  
11am Hardwicke: Simply Worship Holy Communion  
1pm Hardwicke: Baptism  
4pm Elmore: Evening Worship  
Readings: 1 Timothy 6: 6-19, Luke 16: 19-end

### **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** The Queen, 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 \(bmsworldmission.org\)](https://www.bmsworldmission.org/0822-Edwards.pdf)

.....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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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)

**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**

[www.hardwicke-elmore-longney.church](http://www.hardwicke-elmore-longney.church)

**Priest-in-Charge** Rev Richard Martin 01452 720015

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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 18 September Trinity 14**

9.30am Elmore Holy Communion

11am Hardwicke Holy Communion with Sunday school

Readings: 1 Timothy 2: 1-7, Luke 16: 1-13

### **4pm Longney**

**Benefice Service of Prayer and reflection for HM Queen Elizabeth II.**

### **Collect**

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence:  
give us pure hearts and steadfast wills  
to worship you in spirit and in truth;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### **This week**

*All week till the Queen's state funeral: Longney and Elmore Churches open 9am-5pm for signing of books of condolence*

Mon 19<sup>th</sup>, 2pm Gloucester Crematorium, funeral of Bob Gale

Wed 21<sup>st</sup> 9.30am Hardwicke Holy Communion,

Church open 10-12am for signing book of condolence.

7.30pm Licensing of Rev Heather de Gruyther, Highnam

Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> 1pm Elmore Wedding blessing

Sat 24<sup>th</sup>, 10-12noon, Hardwicke, Macmillan coffee Morning

## Readings for Trinity 14

### 1 Timothy 2: 1-7

I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people – <sup>2</sup> for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. <sup>3</sup> This is good, and pleases God our Saviour, <sup>4</sup> who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup> For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who gave himself as a ransom for all people. This has now been witnessed to at the proper time. <sup>7</sup> And for this purpose I was appointed a herald and an apostle – I am telling the truth, I am not lying – and a true and faithful teacher of the Gentiles.

### Luke 16: 1-13

Jesus told his disciples: 'There was a rich man whose manager was accused of wasting his possessions. <sup>2</sup> So he called him in and asked him, "What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you cannot be manager any longer."

<sup>3</sup> 'The manager said to himself, "What shall I do now? My master is taking away my job. I'm not strong enough to dig, and I'm ashamed to beg – <sup>4</sup> I know what I'll do so that, when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses."

<sup>5</sup> 'So he called in each one of his master's debtors. He asked the first, "How much do you owe my master?"<sup>6</sup> "Three thousand litres of olive oil," he replied. 'The manager told him, "Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifteen hundred."

<sup>7</sup> 'Then he asked the second, "And how much do you owe?" "Thirty tons of wheat," he replied. 'He told him, "Take your bill and make it twenty-four."

<sup>8</sup> 'The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light. <sup>9</sup> I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings.

<sup>10</sup> 'Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. <sup>11</sup> So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? <sup>12</sup> And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else's property, who will give you property of your own?

<sup>13</sup> 'No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money.'