

### **Next Sunday 13 November Remembrance Sunday**

9.30am Longney: Holy Communion  
10.45am Hardwicke: All age worship  
3.30pm Elmore War Memorial ceremony  
4pm Elmore Evensong  
Lectionary Readings: 2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13, Luke 21: 5-19

### **PRAYERS PLEASE... for PEACE in Ukraine, South Sudan, West Bank, Haiti, Brazil, Burkino-Faso**

**...Thank God for grain shipments resuming from Ukraine**

**...for the sick and struggling:** Lesley, Chris, Sean, Tim, Michelle K, Hilarie, Louie, Karen and Keith, Les, Sharon, Mair, Sue, Nick, Ian, Vicky, Roger, Sheryl, Llawella

**.....for the family and friends of** Bob Gale, John, Liz Osborn, Sandra Kemp, Nan Campbell, Brian Strange, John Colson, Mary Vick

.....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 [1022-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 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday each month BUT NOT IN NOVEMBER!**

**Government heating grant.** 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)

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**Licensed Readers** Pat Buckland, Judy Cheshire and Mike Williams

**Authorised Leaders of Worship:** Neil Hollis and Doff Stone.

### **Today Sunday 6 November 3rd before Advent**

9.30am Elmore: Holy Communion

11am Hardwicke: Holy Communion

Readings: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5 and 13-end, Luke 20:27-38

### **This week**

Wed 9th 9.30am Hardwicke Holy Communion

### **Christmas is coming!**

**The ministry team would like to encourage Church members not to give each other Christmas cards this year.** Instead, we hope you would consider buying one card and putting it in Church for everyone to see, and making a donation to Christian Aid. One way to do this is to buy a charity gift from them and bring that card to Church – details at [charity-gifts.christianaid.org.uk](http://charity-gifts.christianaid.org.uk).

### Collect

Heavenly Lord,  
you long for the world's salvation:  
stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess  
and revive in us new hope  
that all creation will one day be healed  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Readings for the Third Sunday before Advent**

#### 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5 and 13-end

Concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered to him, we ask you, brothers and sisters, <sup>2</sup> not to become easily unsettled or alarmed by the teaching allegedly from us—whether by a prophecy or by word of mouth or by letter—asserting that the day of the Lord has already come. <sup>3</sup> Don't let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness<sup>[a]</sup> is revealed, the man doomed to destruction. <sup>4</sup> He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God's temple, proclaiming himself to be God.

<sup>5</sup> Don't you remember that when I was with you I used to tell you these things? But we ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters loved by the Lord, because God chose you as firstfruits<sup>[b]</sup> to be saved through the sanctifying work of the Spirit and through belief in the truth. <sup>14</sup> He called you to this through our gospel, that you might share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>15</sup> So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the teachings<sup>[c]</sup> we passed on to you, whether by word of mouth or by letter. <sup>16</sup> May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, <sup>17</sup> encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word.

#### Luke 20:27-38

Some of the Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus with a question. <sup>28</sup> "Teacher," they said, "Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies and leaves a wife but no children, the man must marry the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. <sup>29</sup> Now there were seven brothers. The first one married a woman and died childless. <sup>30</sup> The second <sup>31</sup> and then the third married her, and in the same way the seven died, leaving no children. <sup>32</sup> Finally, the woman died too. <sup>33</sup> Now then, at the resurrection whose wife will she be, since the seven were married to her?"

<sup>34</sup> Jesus replied, "The people of this age marry and are given in marriage. <sup>35</sup> But those who are considered worthy of taking part in the age to come and in the resurrection from the dead will neither marry nor be given in marriage, <sup>36</sup> and they can no longer die; for they are like the angels. They are God's children, since they are children of the resurrection. <sup>37</sup> But in the account of the burning bush, even Moses showed that the dead rise, for he calls the Lord 'the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.'<sup>[a]</sup> <sup>38</sup> He is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive."