YOUR PRAYERS PLEASE... for PEACE in Palestine and Israel, Ukraine, Sudan, Haiti, Yemen, Ecuador, the Sahel region.

..... for all refugees and asylum seekers, those kidnapped and hostages.

...Thank God for diplomats and peace-keepers

...for the sick and struggling: Chris and Pam, Sean, Lesley, Tina, Beryl, Mair, Marion, Philippa, Pauline, Becci, Jess, Claire and John (x2).

.....for the family and friends of Gail, Irene, Pauline, Diana, Rosie, Grahamfor Longney's re-ordering, Hardwicke's plans, Elmore's new organ For staff and pupils at Longney, Hardwicke and Hunts Grove schoolsfor Jane Edwards in Mozambique. Her latest prayer letter is here:- 0224-Edwards.pdf (bmsworldmission.org)

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

Please use the newly revised Benefice Prayer diary. It is on our website
and paper copies are available in each Church

Dates of APCMs

Hardwicke 14 April 12noon, Elmore 21 April 1030am, Longney 28 April 1030am **The Electoral Rolls are now open for new entries**. Please complete the form and leave it in the yellow folder in your Church's porch.

A prayer of Mother Teresa, a meditation for Holy Week

People are often unreasonable, illogical and self centred;

Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives; Be kind anyway.

If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies; Succeed anyway.

If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you; Be honest and frank anyway. What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight; Build anyway.

If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous; Be happy anyway. The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow; Do good anyway. Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough;

Give the world the best you've got anyway.

You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and God;

It was never between you and them anyway.

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Please take this sheet away with you

Today Sunday 24 March (Lent 6, Palm Sunday)

9.30am Longney, Storyteller Holy Communion11am Hardwicke Holy Communion4pm Elmore, Evening worshipReadings: Mark 11:1-11, Mark 15: 1-39 (dramatized, on separate sheet)

Week beginning 24 March

Mon 25 March, 8pm Hardwicke: Compline

Tues 26th, 8pm Longney: Compline

Wed 27th, 9.30am Hardwicke, Holy communion

7.30pm Hardwicke: Taize worship

Thurs 28th, 1pm Elmore, Wedding

7.30pm Hardwicke: Agape meal

Good Friday 29th 2pm Hardwicke "An hour at the cross"

6.30pm Elmore Reflective music and Readings

Next Sunday 31 March, EASTER SUNDAY, ALLELUIA!

NB clocks go forward today

6am Robins Wood Hill: Deanery Dawn service

9.30am Longney Holy Communion 11.00 Hardwicke: Holy Communion

4pm Elmore, Evening Worship

Readings, Acts 10: 34-43, Mark 16: 1-8

Collect for Palm Sunday

True and humble king,
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:
grant us the faith to know you and love you,
that we may be found beside you
on the way of the cross,
which is the path of glory.

Readings for Lent 6, Palm Sunday

Mark 11:1-11

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, ² saying to them, 'Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³ If anyone asks you, "Why are you doing this?" say, "The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly."'

⁴They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, ⁵ some people standing there asked, 'What are you doing, untying that colt?' ⁶ They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. ⁷ When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. ⁸ Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. ⁹ Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted,

'Hosanna!^[a]' 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'^[b]

10 'Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!'

'Hosanna in the highest heaven!'

¹¹ Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple courts. He looked around at everything, but since it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the Twelve.



Mark 15: 1-39 (dramatized, on separate sheet)

