

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

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

...for the sick and struggling: Chris and Pam, Sean, Lesley, Tina, Mair, Marion, Pauline, Becci, Jess, Claire, Eve, Jessica, Chrystal and Pete, Mike.

.....for the family and friends of Pam, Colin, Desmond.

.....for Longney's re-ordering, Hardwicke's plans, Elmore's new organ

..... For staff and pupils at Longney, Hardwicke and Hunts Grove schools

.....for Jane Edwards in Mozambique. Her latest blog is here:-

<https://janeinmozambique.wordpress.com/2024/05/21/rain-rain-go-away/>

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

The Benefice Prayer diary is on our website and paper copies are available in each Church

Pray earnestly for our new Government, its leaders and the opposition.

Please support Gloucester Foodbank with your donations at supermarkets.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- Saturday 27 July, 7.30pm, Hardwicke: concert by the "Wide Valley Singers". Tickets are available on the door or from the following: www.hardwicke-elmore-longney.church/tickets
- Elmore Chamber Music Festival 8-10 August. Details of concerts, and tickets, at [Elmore Chamber Music Festival 2024 | Home](#). Or see the leaflets in Church. Also there's a Choral Evensong 4pm on Sunday 11th.

Safeguarding Update

Until further notice please refer all safeguarding concerns and enquiries at Longney and Hardwicke to Rev Richard, by phone or email.

At Elmore please continue to contact Liz Bates or Rev Richard.

Benefice of **Hardwicke and Elmore with Longney**

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Licensed Readers Pat Buckland, Judy Cheshire and Mike Williams

Authorised Leaders of Worship: Neil Hollis and Doff Stone.

Please take this sheet away with you

Today Sunday 7 July, Trinity 6

9.30am Elmore: Holy Communion

11.00 Hardwicke: Simply Worship Holy Communion

Readings: Ezekiel 2: 1-5, Mark 6: 1-13

1pm Hardwicke: Baptism

Week beginning 7 July

Monday 8 July, 7.30pm Hardwicke PCC, Church House

Wednesday 10th 9.30am Hardwicke, Holy Communion

10.30 Hardwicke: Toddlers' Play and praise

Next Sunday 14 July, Trinity 7

9.30am Longney: Holy Communion

11.00 Hardwicke: Holy Communion

1pm Hardwicke: Baptism

4pm Elmore: Evensong

Readings Amos 7: 7-15, Mark 6: 14-29

Collect for Trinity 6

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
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.

Readings for Trinity 6

Ezekiel 2: 1-5

He said to me, 'Son of man, ^[a] stand up on your feet and I will speak to you.' ² As he spoke, the Spirit came into me and raised me to my feet, and I heard him speaking to me.

³ He said: 'Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to a rebellious nation that has rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me to this very day. ⁴ The people to whom I am sending you are obstinate and stubborn. Say to them, "This is what the Sovereign LORD says." ⁵ And whether they listen or fail to listen – for they are a rebellious people – they will know that a prophet has been among them.

Mark 6: 1-13

Jesus left the lakeside and went to his home town, accompanied by his disciples. ² When the Sabbath came, he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were amazed.

'Where did this man get these things?' they asked. 'What's this wisdom that has been given him? What are these remarkable miracles he is performing?' ³ Isn't this the carpenter? Isn't this Mary's son and the brother of James, Joseph, ^[a] Judas and Simon? Aren't his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him.

⁴ Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is not without honour except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home.' ⁵ He could not do any miracles there, except lay his hands on a few people who were ill and heal them. ⁶ He was amazed at their lack of faith.

Then Jesus went around teaching from village to village. ⁷ Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits.

⁸ These were his instructions: 'Take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. ⁹ Wear sandals but not an extra shirt. ¹⁰ Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town. ¹¹ And if any place will not welcome you or listen to you, leave that place and shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them.'

¹² They went out and preached that people should repent. ¹³ They drove out many demons and anointed with oil many people who were ill and healed them.