

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, Tina, Marion, Jade, Becci, Sue, Claire, Eve, Jessica, Jane, Carrie, Julie and Trevor, Karen, Katie and Lucas, Lesley, Denise.

.....for the family and friends of Verna, Peter, Nigel.

.....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 prayer letter is here:-

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

Benefice Prayer diary is on our website. Paper copies are in each Church

Ride and Stride - Justine visited 14 Churches around the city centre, photos are on our FB page. Sponsor money, thank you to all that sponsored Justine, just a couple more to collect, once all collected will be £250,00, the Church will get 50% back. Please can you give the remainder sponsor money to Justine by the end of October. Thank you

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- **Inter Faith Week** Gloucester Inter Faith Team are hosting a night of inter faith quizzing! Learn more about different faiths, meet new people and enjoy delicious food. This event is free to attend, we look forward to welcoming you! Wednesday 13 November, 6-8.30pm, Gloucester University Oxstalls campus Business school. For a link to apply for tickets please ask Richard.
- **Annual Memorial services.** These will be held at Elmore on Sunday 27 October (4pm) and Hardwicke on Sunday 3 November, (4pm) Invitations have been sent to the families of all those whose funerals or interments we have conducted this year. All are welcome however, to remember any loved one, from however long ago. Do invite your neighbours too!

Benefice of **Hardwicke and Elmore with Longney**

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Priest-in-Charge Rev Richard Martin 01452 720015

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Assistant Priests Revd George Parfitt (currently on Sabbatical)

Rev'd Duncan Hutchison, on secondment from Hucclecote

Licenced Readers Pat Buckland, Judy Cheshire and Mike Williams

Authorised Leaders of Worship: Neil Hollis and Doff Stone.

Pioneer Sports Minister: Tim Fletcher

Please take this sheet away with you

Today Sunday 20 October, Trinity 21

9.30am Elmore: Holy Communion (preacher and celebrant Rev Mark Whatson)

11.00 Hardwicke school:: "Meeting God in Hardwicke"

Isaiah 53: 4-end, Mark 10: 35-45

Week beginning 20 October

Tuesday 22nd, 7.00-9.30pm, Elmore Village Hall:

Domestic abuse training for PCC members

Wednesday 23rd 9.30am Hardwicke, Morning Prayer

Next Sunday 27 October, Trinity 22, Bible Sunday

9.30am Longney: Storyteller Holy Communion

11.00 Hardwicke: Holy Communion

Readings: Isaiah 55: 1-11, John 5: 36b-end

4pm Elmore: Thanksgiving and Memorial service

Collect for Trinity 21

Father of light,
in whom is no change or shadow of turning,
you give us every good and perfect gift
and have brought us to birth by your word of truth:
may we be a living sign of that kingdom
where your whole creation will be made perfect
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings

Isaiah 53: 4-end

Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering,
yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted.

⁵ But he was pierced for our transgressions,
he was crushed for our iniquities;

the punishment that brought us peace was on him,
and by his wounds we are healed.

⁶ We all, like sheep, have gone astray,
each of us has turned to our own way;
and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

⁷ He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth;
he was led like a lamb to the slaughter,
and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.

⁸ By oppression^[a] and judgment he was taken away.
Yet who of his generation protested?

For he was cut off from the land of the living;
for the transgression of my people he was punished.^[b]

⁹ He was assigned a grave with the wicked,
and with the rich in his death,
though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth.

¹⁰ Yet it was the Lord's will to crush him and cause him to suffer,
and though the Lord makes^[c] his life an offering for sin,
he will see his offspring and prolong his days,
and the will of the Lord will prosper in his hand.

¹¹ After he has suffered, he will see the light of life^[d] and be satisfied;^[e]
by his knowledge^[f] my righteous servant will justify many,
and he will bear their iniquities.

¹² Therefore I will give him a portion among the great,^[g]
and he will divide the spoils with the strong,^[h]
because he poured out his life unto death,
and was numbered with the transgressors.
For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Mark 10: 35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. 'Teacher,' they said, 'we want you to do for us whatever we ask.'

³⁶ 'What do you want me to do for you?' he asked.

³⁷ They replied, 'Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory.'

³⁸ 'You don't know what you are asking,' Jesus said. 'Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptised with the baptism I am baptised with?'

³⁹ 'We can,' they answered.

Jesus said to them, 'You will drink the cup I drink and be baptised with the baptism I am baptised with, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared.'

⁴¹ When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John.

⁴² Jesus called them together and said, 'You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ⁴³ Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'