

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, Mike, Eleanor

.....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

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!
- **Ride and Stride,** (Hardwicke) 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, Justine.....
- For Longney and Elmore, please see Dave North

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 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

Week beginning 27 October

Wednesday 30th 9.30am Hardwicke, Holy Communion

Wednesday and Thursday 10-3pm Hardwicke school: Sportily holiday club

Next Sunday 3 November, Fourth before Advent, kept as All Saints Day

9.30am Elmore Holy Communion

11.00 Hardwicke: Simply Worship Holy Communion

Readings: Isaiah 25: 6-9, John 11: 32-44

1pm Hardwicke: Baptisms

4pm Hardwicke: Thanksgiving and Memorial service

Collect for Bible Sunday

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,
we may embrace and for ever hold fast
the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Readings

Isaiah 55: 1-11

'Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters;
and you who have no money, come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost.

² Why spend money on what is not bread,
and your labour on what does not satisfy?

Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good,
and you will delight in the richest of fare.

³ Give ear and come to me; listen, that you may live.

I will make an everlasting covenant with you,
my faithful love promised to David.

⁴ See, I have made him a witness to the peoples,
a ruler and commander of the peoples.

⁵ Surely you will summon nations you know not,
and nations you do not know will come running to you,
because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has endowed you with splendour.'

⁶ Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near.

⁷ Let the wicked forsake their ways and the unrighteous their thoughts.

Let them turn to the Lord, and he will have mercy on them,
and to our God, for he will freely pardon.

⁸ 'For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,' declares the Lord. ⁹ 'As the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

¹⁰ As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return
to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish,

so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater,
¹¹ so is my word that goes out from my mouth: it will not return to me
empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for
which I sent it.

John 5: 36b-end

The works that the Father has given me to finish – the very works that I
am doing – testify that the Father has sent me. ³⁷ And the Father who
sent me has himself testified concerning me. You have never heard his
voice nor seen his form, ³⁸ nor does his word dwell in you, for you do not
believe the one he sent. ³⁹ You study^[c] the Scriptures diligently because
you think that in them you have eternal life. These are the very
Scriptures that testify about me, ⁴⁰ yet you refuse to come to me to have
life.

⁴¹ 'I do not accept glory from human beings, ⁴² but I know you. I know
that you do not have the love of God in your hearts. ⁴³ I have come in my
Father's name, and you do not accept me; but if someone else comes in
his own name, you will accept him. ⁴⁴ How can you believe since you
accept glory from one another but do not seek the glory that comes
from the only God^[d]?

⁴⁵ 'But do not think I will accuse you before the Father. Your accuser is
Moses, on whom your hopes are set. ⁴⁶ If you believed Moses, you would
believe me, for he wrote about me. ⁴⁷ But since you do not believe what
he wrote, how are you going to believe what I say?'