

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, Mike, Steve, Sean.

.....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 blog is here:-

<https://janeinmozambique.wordpress.com/2024/10/17/a-roadmap-of-mozambiques-history/>

.....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: Christmas Services

Sun 15 Dec, 4pm Hunts Grove school, community carols

(3.30pm Christingle making)

6.30pm Longney 9 Lessons and Carols

Thurs 19 Dec, 7.30pm, Hardwicke Carol service

Sun 22 Dec 9.30am Longney Crib and Christingle (not Holy Communion)

Christmas Eve

4pm Hardwicke: Crib service

11.15pm Elmore Midnight Mass

11.15pm Hardwicke Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

9.30am Longney Storyteller Holy Communion

11.00 Hardwicke Informal Holy Communion

Sunday 29 Dec, 1030 longney: Benefice New Year service

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 10 November, Remembrance Sunday

9.30am Longney: Remembrance service with Holy Communion

10.45 Hardwicke: All-age remembrance service

3pm ceremony at Elmore war Memorial

4pm Elmore: Evensong (Psalm 62, 5-end)

Readings: Micah 4: 1-5, Matthew 5:38-48

Week beginning 10 November

Mon 11th: 10.45am Longney: school Remembrance assembly

7.30pm Church House, Hardwicke PCC

Wednesday 13th 9.30am Hardwicke, Holy Communion

6.30pm Oxstalls Campus: Inter-Faith quiz

Sat 16th, 10.30-12.30 Hardwicke: Coffee Morning

2pm Hardwicke: Baptism

Next Sunday 17 November, 2nd Sunday before Advent

9.30am Elmore: Holy Communion

11.00 Hardwicke School, Poplar Way: All-age service

"Meeting God in Hardwicke

Readings: Daniel 12: 1-3, Mark 13: 1-8

Collect for Remembrance Sunday

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading Micah 4:1-5

In days to come, Mount Zion will be the most renowned of all the mountains of the world, praised by all nations. People from all over the world will make pilgrimages there. They will say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to God's house; he will tell us what to do, and we will do it. For in those days the Lord will issue his laws and announce his decrees from there. He will make judgement and arbitrate between strong nations far away.



They shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore; everyone will live quietly in his own home, in peace and prosperity, for there will be nothing to fear. The Lord himself has promised this.

For all the peoples walk, each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God for ever.

Gospel Reading Matthew 5:38-48

'You have heard that it was said, "Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth."^[a] ³⁹ But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also. ⁴⁰ And if anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, hand over your coat as well. ⁴¹ If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles. ⁴² Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.

⁴³ 'You have heard that it was said, "Love your neighbour^[b] and hate your enemy."⁴⁴ But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵ that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. ⁴⁶ If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? ⁴⁷ And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that? ⁴⁸ Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

Psalm 62: 5-end (at Elmore)

5. My soul, wait thou only upon God; for my expectation *is* from him.

⁶ He only *is* my rock and my salvation: *he is* my defence; I shall not be moved.

⁷ In God *is* my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, *and* my refuge, *is* in God.

⁸ Trust in him at all times; ye people, pour out your heart before him: God *is* a refuge for us.

⁹ Surely men of low degree *are* vanity, *and* men of high degree *are* a lie: to be laid in the balance, they *are* altogether *lighter* than vanity.

¹⁰ Trust not in oppression, and become not vain in robbery: if riches increase, set not your heart *upon them*.

¹¹ God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that power *belongeth* unto God.

¹² Also unto thee, O Lord, *belongeth* mercy: for thou renderest to every man according to his work.