

**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, Claire, Eve, Jessica, Karen and Keith, Carrie, Joyce, Katie and Lucas, Lesley, Denise, Mike, Steve, Sean.

**.....for the family and friends of** Nigel, Mike, Eleanor, Phil, Max

.....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: 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

**Licensed 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 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

Week beginning 17 November

Wednesday 20th 9.30am Hardwicke, Holy Communion,

7.30pm Church House, Benefice House group

**Next Sunday 24 November, Sunday before Advent(Christ the King)**

9.30am Longney: Holy Communion

11.00 Hardwicke: Holy Communion

4pm Elmore: Evening worship

Readings: Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14, John 18: 33-37

Collect for 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Advent (at Elmore)

Heavenly Father,  
whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil  
and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:  
grant that we, having this hope,  
may purify ourselves even as he is pure;  
that when he shall appear in power and great glory  
we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;  
where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

Collect for use at Hardwicke School

Heavenly Lord,  
you long for the world's salvation:  
stir us from apathy,  
restrain us from excess  
and revive in us new hope  
that all creation will one day be healed  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings for 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Advent

Daniel 12: 1-3

'At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at

that time your people – everyone whose name is found written in the book – will be delivered. <sup>2</sup>

Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt. <sup>3</sup> Those who are wise<sup>[a]</sup> will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

Mark 13: 1-8

As Jesus was leaving the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher! What massive stones! What magnificent buildings!'

<sup>2</sup> 'Do you see all these great buildings?' replied Jesus. 'Not one stone here will be left on another; every one will be thrown down.'

<sup>3</sup> As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John and Andrew asked him privately, <sup>4</sup> 'Tell us, when will these things happen? And what will be the sign that they are all about to be fulfilled?'

<sup>5</sup> Jesus said to them: 'Watch out that no one deceives you. <sup>6</sup> Many will come in my name, claiming, "I am he," and will deceive many. <sup>7</sup> When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. <sup>8</sup> Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places, and famines. These are the beginning of birth-pains.