

YOUR PRAYERS PLEASE... for PEACE in Ukraine, Sudan, Haiti, Syria, the Sahel region, Greenland, DR Congo

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

...for the sick and struggling: Tina, Marion and Mike, Eric, Sally, Carrie, Lesley, Steve, Sean, Jen, Eve, Denise, Jessica, Karen and Keith, Mike,

.....for the family and friends of Max, Evelyn, Don, Matthew.

.....Hardwicke's plans, Elmore's new organ, Longney urgent roof repairs

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

.....for Jane Edwards leaving Mozambique. Her farewell blog is here:-

[Saying goodbye – Jane in Mozambique](#)

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

Benefice Prayer Diary- Paper copies are in each Church

Electoral Rolls

Every 6 years Electoral Rolls have to be completely re-written. Whether or not you are currently on your Church's roll, if you'd like to be on the new one, you must fill in a form by the due date. Many thanks to Pat, Sue and Will who will be collating the forms and producing the new Rolls.

Dates for your diary.

Ash Wednesday 5 March services 10am **AT QUEDGELEY**, 7.30pm at Elmore

Sat 8 March, 10-1230, Hardwicke Coffee morning

– and then the 2nd Saturday every month.

Sunday 23 March, 1030 Longney APCM

Sunday 30 March Mothering Sunday 11am Benefice service

in **HUNTS GROVE SCHOOL GL2 4EP**

Sunday 6 April, 1030 Elmore APCM

Sunday 13 April, Palm Sunday 12noon, Hardwicke APCM

Tuesday of Holy Week 15 April: 7.30pm Compline at Longney

Maundy Thursday 17 April: 7.30pm Agape at Hardwicke

Good Friday 18 April services 2pm Hardwicke, 6.30pm Longney

Sunday 20 April, Easter Day, services: 0930 at Elmore,

1100 at Hardwicke (NB NOT in the school): both Holy Communion

Friday 9 May, Hardwicke Skittles evening, RBL club, Green Lane

Benefice of Hardwicke and Elmore with Longney

www.hardwicke-elmore-longney.church

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 and Judy Cheshire

Authorised Leaders of Worship: Neil Hollis and Doff Stone.

Pioneer Sports Minister: Tim Fletcher

Please take this sheet home and use it for your prayers and Bible study

Today Sunday 2 March, Sunday before Lent

9.30am Elmore: Holy Communion

11am Hardwicke: Simply Worship Holy Communion

Readings: 2 Corinthians 3:12 – 4:2, Luke 9: 28-36

1230 Hardwicke Richard's farewell.

Week beginning 2 March

Monday 3rd, 7.30pm Ministry Team, Lords Meade

Ash Wednesday 5th, 10.00am ST JAMES QUEDGELEY: Holy Communion

7.30pm Elmore Holy Communion with ashing

Sunday 9 March, First Sunday in Lent

9.30am Longney: Holy Communion

11am Hardwicke: Holy Communion

4pm Elmore Evensong (Psalm 91: 1-11)

Readings: Romans 10: 8b-13, Luke 4: 1-13

Collect for 2 March, Sunday before Lent

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross:
give us grace to perceive his glory,
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Readings for 2 March

2 Corinthians 3:17 – 4:2,

¹⁷ Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸ And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate^[a] the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. ² Rather, we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God. On the contrary, by setting forth the truth plainly we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God

Luke 9: 27-36

Jesus told the disciples, "Truly I tell you, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God."

About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. ²⁹ As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning.

³⁰ Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendour, talking with Jesus. ³¹ They spoke about his departure,^[a] which he was about to bring to fulfilment at Jerusalem. ³² Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. ³³ As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what he was saying.)

³⁴ While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. ³⁵ A voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him." ³⁶ When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.