YOUR PRAYERS PLEASE

<u>...</u>for PEACE in the world especially where people are fighting and suffering and dying, for refugees and asylum seekers, for those kidnapped and hostages.

... please pray for: Libby, Tina, Victoria, Jane, Karen, Jo, Mair, Carrie, Eric, Mike and Marion, Eve, Jen, Sean, Denise.

....for the family and friends of those who have died especially for Dave Carter and his family - Lorraine, Mark, Paul and Lauren

... for The Benefice vacancy and the appointing of a new priest.

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

....for staff and pupils at Longney, Hardwicke and Hunts Grove schoolsfor Tim Fletcher Pioneer "Sportily" Minister, working on Hunts Grove.

Benefice Prayer Diary- Paper copies are in each Church

Dates for your diary.

July 14th Hardwicke PCC Meeting

<u>July 19th</u> - Hardwicke Church Wide Valley Singers 'Songs from the shows' 7.30pm Refreshments Available **£6 Tickets available from Hardwicke Church or on the door**

July 26th - 10am - 12.30pm Coffee morning at Longney in aid of the church roof

<u>August 6th – 9th</u> Elmore Music Festival - details and tickets from www. elmorefestival.com or 01452 725605

August 9th Hardwicke Coffee Morning 10.30am – 12.30pm

<u>September 26th</u> Hardwicke Church 7.30pm – Ukulele Band Playing and singing Group, Duet and Solo pieces. Something for everyone £ 6 Tickets available.

October 11th Harvest Supper at Elmore Village Hall

Anything for the newsletter to vannessa_moore@yahoo.co.uk by Monday if possible

Benefice of Hardwicke and Elmore with Longney

www.hardwicke-elmore-longney.church

Priest-in-Charge vacancy, <u>vicar@hardwicke-elmore-longney.church</u> and 01452 720015 are still in use

Assistant Priests Revd George Parfitt

Revd 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 13th July Proper 10 /Trinity 4

10.30am - Longney Holy Communion11.00am Hardwicke Holy Communion

4.00pm Elmore Evensong

Week beginning 13th July

Monday 14th July Hardwicke PCC Meeting in Church <u>Tuesday</u> 15th July 10.30am The Prayer Group meet at Pam's Wednesday 16th July 10.00am Holy Communion at Quedgeley Church

Next Sunday 20th July - Proper 11/ Trinity 5

9.30am Elmore Holy Communion11.00am Hardwicke All Age Worship

Readings Colossians 1 v 15 – 28 Luke 10 v 38 – 42

Collect for the 13th July - Trinity 4

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this Heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the Unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Readings for today Colossians 1 v 1 – 14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of

the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Gospel Reading Luke 10 v 25 – 37

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.' But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied,

'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'