YOUR PRAYERS PLEASE

...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, Mair, Carrie, Eric, Mike and Marion, Eve, Jen, Sean, Denise, Kate, Alison.

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

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

August 9th Hardwicke Coffee Morning 10.30am – 12.30pm **September 13**th Ride and Stride Coffee Morning at Hardwicke -All day <u>September 19</u>th Note change of date - Churchdown Male Voice Choir in aid of Elmore Organ Fund

September 21st Hardwicke Harvest festival - Service in school

<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

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 20th July Proper 11 /Trinity 5

10.30am Elmore Holy Communion

11.00am Hardwicke All Age Worship in Church

Week beginning 20th July

<u>Tuesday</u> 22nd July 10.30am Prayer Group at Pam's Wednesday 23rd July 10.00am Holy Communion at Quedgeley Church

Next Sunday 27th July – Proper 12/ Trinity 6

9.30am Longney Holy Communion11.00am Hardwicke Holy Communion

4.00pm Elmore evensong

Readings Colossians 2 v 6-15 (16-19) Luke 11 v 1-13

Collect for the 20th July - Trinity 5

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified; hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Readings for today Colossians 1 v 15 - 28

reation; ¹⁶ for in ^[h] him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in ^[h] him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. ²¹ And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² he has now reconciled ^[h] in his fleshly body ^[k] through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him ²³ provided that you continue

securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, ²⁴I am now rejoicing in my became a servant of this gospel. sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵ I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶ the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷ To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸ It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Gospel Reading Luke 10 v 38 - 42

³⁸ Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.' ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴² there is need of only one thing.^[] Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'