

## 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 schools

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

*Benefice Prayer Diary- Paper copies are in each Church*

## **Dates for your diary.**

**September 13<sup>th</sup>** *Ride and Stride Coffee Morning at Hardwicke -All day*

**September 19<sup>th</sup>** **Note change of date** - *Churchdown Male Voice Choir in aid of Elmore Organ Fund*

**September 21<sup>st</sup>** *Hardwicke Harvest festival - Service in school*

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

**October 11<sup>th</sup>** *Harvest Supper at Elmore Village Hall*

Anything for the newsletter to [vannessa\\_moore@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:vannessa_moore@yahoo.co.uk) by Monday if possible

# **Benefice of Hardwicke and Elmore with Longney**

[www.hardwicke-elmore-longney.church](http://www.hardwicke-elmore-longney.church)

**Priest-in-Charge** vacancy, [vicar@hardwicke-elmore-longney.church](mailto:vicar@hardwicke-elmore-longney.church)  
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 24<sup>th</sup> August Proper 16/ Trinity 10**

9.30am Longney Holy Communion

11.00am Hardwicke Holy Communion

4.00pm Elmore Evensong

## **Week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> August**

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 10.30am Prayer Group at Pam's

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 10.00am Holy Communion at Quedgeley Church

## **Next Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August – Proper 17 / Trinity 11**

11.00am Benefice Service and Holy Communion at Hardwicke Church

**Readings** Gen. 12:1-5 John 10:1-6, 11-18

## **Collect for the 24<sup>th</sup> August – Trinity 10**

Let your merciful ears, O Lord,  
be open to the prayers of your humble servants;  
and that they may obtain their petitions  
make them to ask such things as shall please you;  
through Jesus Christ you Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.     Amen

## **Readings for today** Hebrews 12 v 18 – 29

<sup>18</sup> You have not come to something<sup>[f]</sup> that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, <sup>19</sup> and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. <sup>20</sup> (For they could not endure the order that was given, ‘If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.’ <sup>21</sup> Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, ‘I tremble with fear.’) <sup>22</sup> But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, <sup>23</sup> and to the assembly<sup>[g]</sup> of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup> and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. <sup>25</sup> See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from

heaven! <sup>26</sup> At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, ‘Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.’ <sup>27</sup> This phrase ‘Yet once more’ indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. <sup>28</sup> Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; <sup>29</sup> for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

## **Gospel Reading**     Luke 13 v 10 - 17

<sup>10</sup> Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. <sup>11</sup> And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. <sup>12</sup> When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, ‘Woman, you are set free from your ailment.’ <sup>13</sup> When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. <sup>14</sup> But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, ‘There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.’ <sup>15</sup> But the Lord answered him and said, ‘You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? <sup>16</sup> And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?’ <sup>17</sup> When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.