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

... 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.

<u>October 3rd</u> 10.30 – 2.30 Macmillan Coffee Morning at Pam and Chris's Purton Cottage Bristol Road ALL WELCOME

<u>October</u> **4**th 10.00 – 12.30 Longney Coffee Morning in aid of the church roof

<u>October 11th</u> Hardwicke Coffee Morning Pre Christmas sale tombola, raffle and gifts. 10.30 - 2.00pm

October 11th Harvest Supper at Elmore Village Hall

October 13th – Visiting bell ringers at Hardwicke (one of whom is a descendent of the Trye family).

<u>November 15th</u> 10.00 - 12.00 Coffee Cakes and recital at Elmore church (Passiflora Baroque playing) in aid of the organ fund.

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, 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 28th September Proper 21/ Trinity 15

9.30am Longney Holy Communion with Harvest

11.00am Hardwicke Holy Communion

4.30pm Elmore Evensong

Week beginning 28th September

Tuesday 30th September 10.30am Prayer Group at Pam's **Wednesday 1**st **Oct**. 10.00am Holy Communion at Quedgeley Church **Friday 3**rd MacMillan Coffee Morning 10.30am – 2.00pm At Pam and Chris's Purton Cottage, Bristol road Hardwicke **Saturday 4**th October 10.00 – 12.30 – Longney Coffee Morning in aid of church roof

Next Sunday - 5th October Proper 22/ Trinity 16

9.30am Elmore Holy Communion

11.00am Hardwicke Simply Worship with Holy Communion

Readings 2 Timothy v 1-14 Luke 17 v 5-10

Collect for the 28th September - Trinity 14

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love;
Grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, that they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Readings 1 Timothy 6 v 6 - 19

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen. As for those who in the

present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Gospel Reading Luke 16 v 19 – 31

"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, "Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, "Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house—for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, "No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.' "