

## **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:* Julie and Trevor, Tina, Libby, Jane, Karen and Keith, Mike and Marion, Eve, Sean, Paul, Andrew B, Paul M, Grahame, Georgina, Nadia, Terry H, Mair and Victoria

....*for the family and friends* of those who have died recently especially Carrie and her Family

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

...for Hardwicke's restructuring plans, 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 (or website)*

## **Future Dates for your diary.**

**Saturday 11 July** – Hardwicke Church - Monthly coffee morning 10.30am - 12.30pm.

**Saturday 8 August** – Hardwicke Church - Monthly coffee morning 10.30am - 12.30pm.

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September** – Hardwicke Church – Ukulele Evening of Entertainment 7pm

Please send notices for the newsletter to [notices@hardwicke-elmores-longney.church](mailto:notices@hardwicke-elmores-longney.church) by Monday at the latest

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

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**Priest-in-Charge:** Currently in Vacancy

**Contact Details:** [vicar@hardwicke-elmores-longney.church](mailto:vicar@hardwicke-elmores-longney.church) / 01452 720015

**Assistant Priest:** Revd George Parfitt

**Licensed Reader:** Judy Cheshire

**Reader in Training** Richard Flower

**Authorised Leaders of Worship:** Neil Hollis, Doff Stone, Justine Sullivan and Linda Cook

**Pioneer Sports Minister:** Tim Fletcher

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

## **Today 28<sup>th</sup> June Trinity 4 / Proper 8**

9.30am – Longney Storyteller (Family Service)

11.00am – Hardwicke Holy Communion

4.30pm – Elmore Evening Worship

## **Week beginning 28<sup>th</sup> June**

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June - Tuesday Prayer Group at Pam's 10.30am

## **Next Sunday – 5th July**

9.30am Elmore Holy Communion

11.00am Hardwicke - Simply Worship

Readings: Romans 7 v 15 - 25a Matthew 11 v 16 - 19, 25 –end

### **Collect for 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 for ever.

### **1st Reading - Romans 6.12–end**

Therefore, do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once

been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

### **Gospel Reading - Matthew 10.40–end**

Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me.  
Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.