

Longney & Elmore Community Newsletter

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Peace One Day

Peace One Day, a day of global ceasefire and non-violence is celebrated every year on September 21st. Special activities will take place all across the world; festivals, concerts, a global Peace Wave with moments of silence and prayer in every time zone, and much more. Since its inception, Peace Day has grown to include millions of people in all parts of the world.



What is Peace One Day?

Jeremy Gilley is an actor turned filmmaker, who in the late 1990s became preoccupied with questions about the issue of peace. He decided to campaign to establish an annual day of ceasefire and non-violence.

In 1999, the United Nations unanimously adopted the first ever annual day of global ceasefire and non-violence on 21 September – Peace Day. The objective of Peace One Day is to institutionalize Peace Day 21 September, making it a day that is self-sustaining, an annual day of global unity, a day of intercultural cooperation on a scale that humanity has never known.

Incredibly media interest in the UK is TOTALLY ABSENT!

Last year, the Peace One Day 2015 Report found that:

An estimated **1.5 billion people** were exposed to Peace Day messages.
Of those aware, **13 million people behaved more peacefully** on that day.
Close to **130 million people** were made aware of Peace Day through social media.
Major campaigns included Google's homepage feature, and Coca-Cola's Peace Day Anthem ONE.

Who will you make peace with in 2016?

Find out more at www.peaceoneday.org

Church Services in Longney and Elmore

September and October 2016

Sunday September 4th – Trinity 15

“Start as you mean to go on”

Parish Eucharist at Elmore Church 9.30am

Saturday September 3rd – Elmore Open Church

Coffee, tea and light refreshments will be available from 10am to 12 noon.
You are very welcome to pop in to Church that morning, there will be an opportunity to take a look at the new facilities.

Sunday September 11th – Trinity 16

“Lost and Found”

Parish Eucharist at Longney Church 9.30am

Sung Evensong at Elmore Church 6.30pm

Sunday September 18th – Trinity 17

“Sunday before Peace One Day”

Parish Eucharist at Elmore Church 9.30am

Sunday September 25th – Trinity 18

“Take hold of eternal life”

Harvest Festival Eucharist at Longney Church 9.30am

Evensong with Hymns at Elmore Church 6.30pm

Sunday October 2nd – Trinity 19

“Faith and Trust”

Harvest Festival Eucharist at Elmore Church 9.30am

Sunday October 9th – Trinity 20

“Thankfulness towards God”

Parish Eucharist at Longney Church 9.30am

Sung Evensong at Elmore Church 6.30pm

Sunday October 16th – Trinity 21

“Perseverance in Faith”

Parish Eucharist at Elmore Church 9.30am

Sunday October 23rd – Last Sunday after Trinity

“Hope in God”

“Storyteller” Family Eucharist at Longney Church 9.30am

Evensong with Hymns at Elmore Church 6.30pm

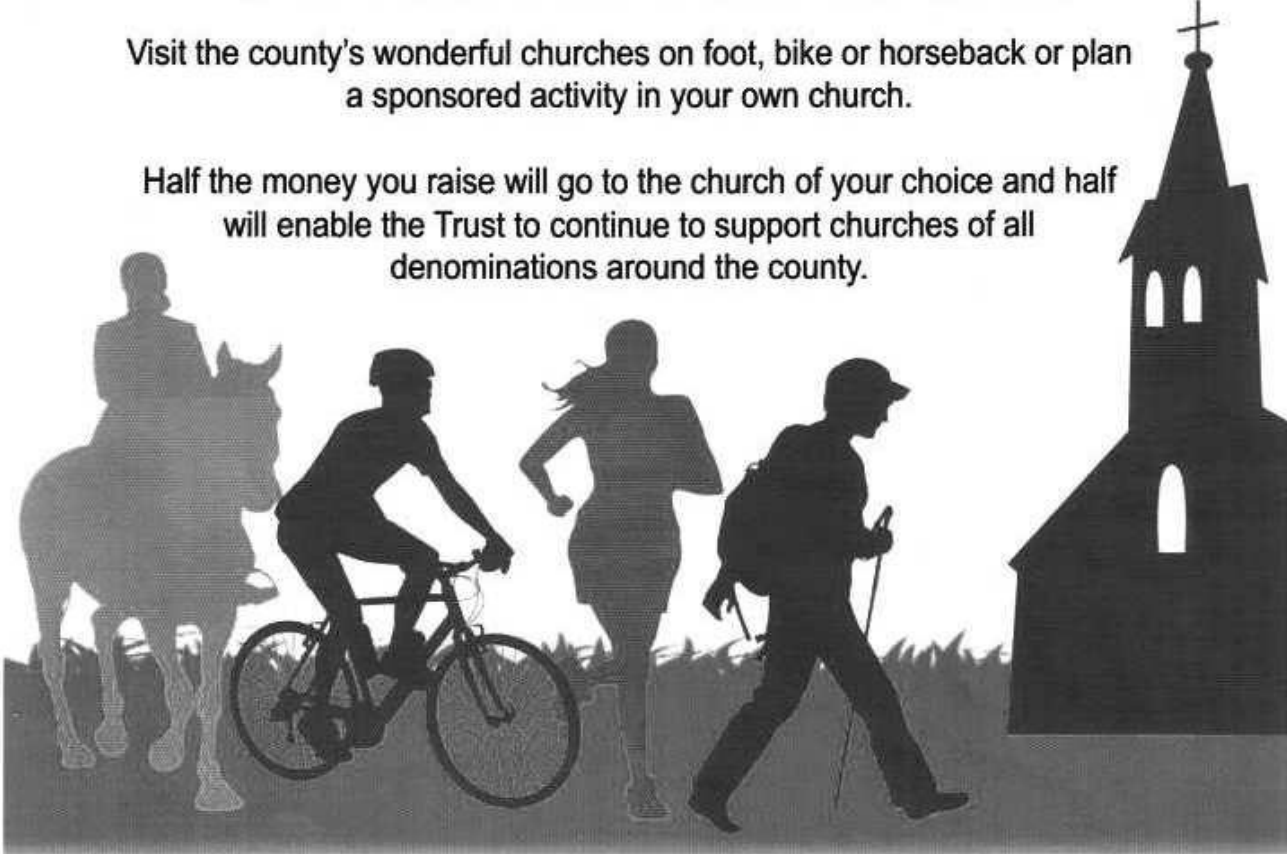
GLoucestershire Historic Churches Trust



Sponsored Ride & Stride
Saturday 10 September 2016

Visit the county's wonderful churches on foot, bike or horseback or plan a sponsored activity in your own church.

Half the money you raise will go to the church of your choice and half will enable the Trust to continue to support churches of all denominations around the county.



If you would like to gain sponsorship to do a "Church Crawl" to raise money for the Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust (which funds repairs on Churches) you can walk, cycle, drive or jog to as many churches as possible.

FROM ELMORE CHURCH:

John Tooth has agreed to cycle around Gloucestershire Churches and will be looking for sponsorship from church members, parishioners and friends.

FROM LONGNEY CHURCH:

Refreshments will be available in the Church Porch for visiting riders.

FROM HARDWICKE CHURCH:

Inside Hardwicke Church, use exercise bikes to clock up a large sponsored mileage! Please make a note of the date in your diaries now. This event is also the Hardwicke Church Open Day so we can welcome riders from the diocese.

Local News

Elmore Harvest Supper

This popular ticket only event will be held on Saturday October 15th at Elmore Village Hall beginning at 7.30pm

Whist Drives at Elmore Village Hall – on Saturdays at 2.00pm

September 24th, November 12th. *Brenda Lovell*

Action for Refugees in Gloucestershire

Over the past year there has been a strong expression of interest from around the Diocese about how to help refugee families coming to England. Lots of people have been involved in practical tasks, such as painting houses for new arrivals or donating furniture. To date, eleven families have arrived in Gloucestershire. The government has recently launched a scheme that will enable a community to “sponsor” the welcome of a refugee family into their community. This scheme has been welcomed by Archbishop Justin Welby.

Churches, in partnership with their wider community are being encouraged to consider whether they can offer this support for a family. It is a significant commitment in both time and money (approximately £10k) which shouldn't be underestimated, but is a real possibility for any group that sees this as a significant expression of their Christian discipleship. The aim is to enable a good welcome and stable start for families coming to England until the state is able to provide long term security. It is also important to put in place appropriate, qualified support for these families, which is why GARAS (Gloucestershire Action for Refugees and Asylum Seekers) is strongly involved with this initiative.

From the Elmore Church Registers

July 3rd – Baptism of Elizabeth Clapton
August 13th – Marriage of Bianca and Jim Parry
August 27th – Marriage of Liz and Geoff Bates
August 27th – Marriage of Lucy and Nic Stevens

From the Longney Church Registers

August 1st – Funeral of Eileen Woodman
August 14th – Baptism of Grace Dyer
August 21st – Baptism of Rosie Barrington

Baptism (Christening) or Weddings: phone Fr. Andrew 01452 720015

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