



Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey

Sun 21st June – Trinity 2

Bible reading for Today – Hebrews 10:19-25

A call to persevere in faith

¹⁹Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how we may spur one another on towards love and good deeds, ²⁵not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another – and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Collect for Today

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake. Amen

Rector's Thoughts

"Let us... not give up meeting together" says the writer to the Hebrews. We hope to put this instruction into practice more fully when we resume gathered church services (in the church building) from the start of July. It will not exactly be 'business as usual' due to many ongoing restrictions. But it will be good at least to begin the process. You have to walk before you can run!

Online Services (on Facebook Live)

Sundays at 11am, Wednesdays at 8pm, Fridays at 1pm
Catch up later on Facebook or YouTube

Announcements

Food Bank : Thank you to all those that have supported this great cause. Food donations can be dropped off at The Mustard Seed Tues between 11am and 1pm. This will finish up on Tues 23rd June.

David's parish bike tour: Apologies to those I missed or have not yet made it to. This week I hope to catch up on some areas I have missed e.g. Clar, Leghowney, Trummon, Bridgetown. I will be out approx. 2pm – 7pm on Wednesday and Thursday... if you're around I'll ring your bell and you can come to the door and say a socially distanced Hello!

Reopening: We are working on a return to worship in church from Sunday 5th July, hopefully on the usual service pattern 9:30, 10:45 and 12:00. There will be hygiene & social distancing restrictions; details of these will be announced. A letter addressing some 'Frequently Asked Questions' is on our website and Facebook Page. Anyone with COVID symptoms must not attend, and the elderly and/or medically vulnerable should consider carefully what is right for them. Online services will continue on Wednesday evenings and one of the Sunday morning services will be broadcast live as well.

Call for volunteers: We need people to help with stewarding/welcoming at our services and with cleaning the churches. Please contact David Huss. Many thanks to all who have already offered to help. There is room for more. Thanks!

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