



# Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey

Sunday 6th September – Trinity 13

## Gospel reading for Today – Matthew 18:15-20

### Dealing With Sin in the Church

Jesus said to his disciples, “If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over. But if they will not listen, take one or two others along, so that ‘every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.’ If they still refuse to listen, tell it to the church; and if they refuse to listen even to the church, treat them as you would a pagan or a tax collector. “Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. “Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.”

## Collect for Today

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: Help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

## Rector's Thoughts

Jesus is very realistic and practical in his teaching about church life. Here in Matthew 18 he explains what we should do when we are offended against by another church member. It would be well if we would follow his instructions carefully, in particular making sure to speak to that person first, before broadcasting our grievances to a wider audience. Let's pray that we would have wisdom to obey Jesus' commands.

## In-Church Services

9.30 Killymard (1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays)  
Lough Eske (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays)  
10.45 Laghey (every Sunday)  
12.00 Donegal (every Sunday) + Live streamed.

## Online Services (on Facebook Live)

Sun 12 noon, Wed 8pm, Fri 1pm

## Announcements

**Face coverings:** The Church of Ireland, Methodist, Presbyterian and Roman Catholic churches are now recommending and encouraging worshippers to wear face masks at all services (apart from the medically exempt and children under 13). This is a good way of protecting one another and helping churches to stay open. Thank you.

**Donegal Protestant Orphan Society:** Any donations you wish to make can be placed, along with your name, in an envelope marked 'DPOS' and left in the church collection plate or sent directly to your collector or to the rectory.

**Sunday Schools:** Our Sunday Schools have not yet restarted but children are of course welcome at all of our church services. We hope from September to have some activity sheets available for younger children to do while in the service – bring your own pens/pencils. We also hope to bring back the Family Service soon, in a COVID-safe format...

**The Mustard Seed:** Open on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10.30am to 2pm. We'd love to see you there! We are very thankful for a grant from Donegal County Council's Development Fund Initiative towards the project.

**Laghey Parish Church:** would like to thank Donegal County Council for their recent grant approval of €2,500.00 which will go a long way with our ongoing improvements to the Church and Hall.

**Easter Vestry meetings:** The last of these will be at Laghey on Wed 9th Sept at 8pm in the church not the hall.

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