



# Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey

Sunday 18th Oct - Trinity 19

## Reading for Today - Matthew 22:15-22

Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap Jesus in his words. They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. "Teacher," they said, "we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren't swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are. Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay the poll-tax to Caesar or not?" But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, "You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me? Show me the coin used for paying the tax." They brought him a denarius, and he asked them, "Whose image is this? And whose inscription?" "Caesar's," they replied. Then he said to them, "So give back to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's." When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left him and went away.

## Collect for Today

O God, without you we are not able to please you; Mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## Rector's Thoughts

*"Give to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's." Jesus' famous summary of our duty towards the State and towards the Lord has never been more relevant. Christians should comply with all reasonable and proper laws made by Government. We also have a higher duty to the King of kings, and sometimes this means speaking truth to power and calling our earthly leaders to remember higher things. Always we must pray "for kings and all in authority" in their difficult leadership task. (1 Timothy 2:2)*

## Online Services (Facebook Live)

Sundays at 11am, Wednesdays at 8pm, Fridays at 1pm

## In-Church Services are currently suspended due to COVID-19 Level 4 rules.

Please join us online if you can, & also use the weekly reading above.

## Announcements

**COVID Level 4:** We now have 4 weeks of Level 4 restrictions, meaning that the earliest date for a return to gathered services is Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Nov, although a longer wait seems quite possible. Listen out for announcements...

**Service of Thanksgiving for loved ones:** This will be held online on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November in the evening. A chance to remember those who have passed away and to pray for those who are bereaved. Names to be remembered can be sent to the Rector by email, phone or post by Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November at the latest.

**Church Prayer Meeting:** Via Zoom on Sunday mornings at 9:30am. Contact David Huss to join in.

**Glebe National School enrolment:** Anyone wishing to enrol their child in Junior Infants in Glebe NS in 2021/22 should contact the office for an application form. Phone: 0749722183 email: [admin@glebenationalschool.ie](mailto:admin@glebenationalschool.ie)

**Harvest Collections:** Collection for Beirut – please return envelopes ASAP. Collection for Donegal Town Food Bank – please drop at the Mustard Seed on Friday mornings 0900 – 1300. Thanks!

**Kingdom Kids:** The weekly video should appear on our Facebook & YouTube each Friday. Please watch & share!

**Youth Alpha:** Sunday nights – contact [john.montgomery@irishmethodist.org](mailto:john.montgomery@irishmethodist.org).

**Young Adults:** John Montgomery is also hosting a discussion group for 18-25 age group. Contact him for info.

**Coffee Time & Hope Groups:** Social get-together Tue and Fri mornings 1100–1130am, and Hope Groups (encouraging stories of hope from the life of Jesus) Tue and Fri 2.00–3.00pm. On Zoom. Contact Sandra (number below) to take part.

**Wednesday Fellowship Group:** Meeting via Zoom for conversation, Bible study and prayer on Wednesday mornings at 10am. Contact Bev Huss at the Rectory 074 9721075 for more info.

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