

# Parish Update

Donegal, Kíllymard, Lough Eske and Laghey Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov – All Saínts Day

# Reading for Today – Revelation 7: 9-17

## The Great Multitude in White Robes

After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb." All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying: "Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honour and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!" Then one of the elders asked me, "These in white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?" I answered, "Sir, you know."And he said, "These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore,

"they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence 'Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat down on them,' nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd; 'he will lead them to springs of living water.' 'And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

# **Collect for Today**

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### In-Church Services are currently suspended due to COVID-19 Level 5 rules.

Please join us online if you can, and also use the weekly reading and prayer on this Update.

# Online Services(Facebook Live)

Sundays at <u>11am</u>, Wednesdays at 8pm, Fridays at 1pm

## Announcements

**COVID Level 5:** We now have 6 weeks of Level 5 restrictions, meaning that the earliest date for a return to gathered services is Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December. Listen out for announcements...

Mid-term break: The Rector will be taking annual leave Mon 26<sup>th</sup> – Sat 31<sup>st</sup> and will be available for emergencies only.

**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.

**Derry and Raphoe Alpha Course:** An online course via Zoom starts Thu 5<sup>th</sup> Nov. You would find this course really helpful and you can sign up by contacting David Huss (details below) or emailing <u>alpha@derryandraphoe.org</u>.

Church Prayer Meeting: Via Zoom Sundays at 9:30am (before Facebook service at 11am). Contact David Huss to join.

**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: <u>admin@glebenationalschool.ie</u>

**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!

**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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