



Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey
27th June 2021 – 4th Sunday after Trinity

Bible Reading for Today – 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

But since you excel in everything – in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you – see that you also excel in this grace of giving. I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich. And here is my judgment about what is best for you in this matter. Last year you were the first not only to give but also to have the desire to do so. Now finish the work, so that your eager willingness to do it may be matched by your completion of it, according to your means. For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have. Our desire is not that others might be relieved while you are hard pressed, but that there might be equality. At the present time your plenty will supply what they need, so that in turn their plenty will supply what you need. The goal is equality, as it is written: "The one who gathered much did not have too much, and the one who gathered little did not have too little."

In-Church Services

9.30 Killymard (1st, 3rd, 5th Sunday) / Lough Eske (2nd & 4th Sunday)
10.45 Laghey (every Sunday)
12.00 Donegal (every Sunday) + online

Online Services (on Facebook) Sun 12pm, Wed 8pm, Fri 1pm.

Phone Service (074 97 10199) from any phone at any time.

Collect for Today

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal that we finally lose not the things eternal: Grant this, heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our Lord. Amen.

Rector's Thoughts

"You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ."

The Biblical word "grace" means God's lavish kindness towards undeserving, sinful human beings. In Sunday School we may have learned:

**God's
Riches
At
Christ's
Expense**

Jesus himself became poor in order to make us spiritually rich. That's grace!

One of the results of knowing God's grace is that we become more generous in helping others and giving to Church and Charity. As St Paul says, let's "excel in the grace of giving!"

Announcements

Lough Eske: We're delighted that the church avenue is complete and we'd love to welcome you to worship with us at Christ Church or at any of our 4 churches! Next Holy Communion services: Sunday 4th July at D, K & L ; 11th July at LE.

The Mustard Seed: Open (outdoors) Wed, Thu & Fri 10.30-2pm. Why not make a plan to join other members of your parish on one of the next few Wednesdays 1030-1130: 30th June Lough Eske & Killymard, 7th July Laghey, 14th July Donegal. NB that's only a suggestion – everyone is welcome at any time!! Prayer time on Thursdays at 12.30pm.

Open-air worship: With singing! Tuesdays at 8pm in the Rectory garden. Contact David 087 2882484 if you're coming.

Doorin Rock Service: Open-air Methodist Service. Sun 27th June 4pm. Bring picnic + facemask. Preacher J Montgomery.

New Wine Ireland: Enjoy live-streamed worship, guest speakers and an opportunity to be prayed with for any concerns. 8-11th July at Glebe National School hall. Doors open 6.30pm. Bring a facemask, and a cushion to make yourself at home!

Online groups mid week: Hope Groups Tue 2-3pm & Wed 1130-1230. Early Birds Sat 10-11am; contact Sandra/Brian 083 3515400. Fellowship Group Wed 10am; contact Bev 074 9721075. These groups meet online using Zoom. All welcome.

Sunday Night Youth: For secondary age – meetings continue twice a month in summer; contact David Huss for info.

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