



Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey
10th October 2021 – 19th Sunday after Trinity

Bible Reading for Today – Leviticus 25 :1-17

The Sabbath Year

The LORD said to Moses at Mount Sinai, ²“Speak to the Israelites and say to them: ‘When you enter the land I am going to give you, the land itself must observe a Sabbath to the LORD. ³For six years sow your fields, and for six years prune your vineyards and gather their crops. ⁴But in the seventh year the land is to have a year of Sabbath rest, a Sabbath to the LORD. Do not sow your fields or prune your vineyards. ⁵Do not reap what grows of itself or harvest the grapes of your untended vines. The land is to have a year of rest. ⁶Whatever the land yields during the Sabbath year will be food for you—for yourself, your male and female servants, and the hired worker and temporary resident who live among you, ⁷as well as for your livestock and the wild animals in your land. Whatever the land produces may be eaten.

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

Old Testament laws like the Sabbath Year were one way God taught his people to care for creation, managing the earth's resources in a sustainable way. The Israelites knew that since the Fall in Genesis 3, human relationships with God and with nature had been damaged, and that this could only be fully fixed by a New Creation. Nonetheless, there was much that they could do to limit their negative impact on nature and secure its resources for the good of all. What simple steps can we take today to do likewise? DH

Online Services: Wed 8pm, Fri 1pm, Sun 12noon

Phone Service: 074 9710199 – ring any time

Prayer Points

Give thanks for...

The seasons... the harvest... all who work in farming, fishing and food.

Pray for...

Care for creation... sharing of earth's resources... spreading the gospel.

In-Church Services

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

Announcements

Harvest Thanksgivings: In October: Laghey Fri 8th 8pm (Mrs Esther Russell) & Sun 10th 10.45am. L Eske Sun 10th 9.30am & Mon 11th 8pm (Rev Malcolm Young). Killymard Fri 15th 8pm (Bishop Andrew Forster) & Sun 17th 9.30am. Collection for Mahajanga Diocese, Madagascar. Please note the next Holy Communion service will be on Sunday 24th October.

Family Harvest Trail: A fun, outdoor, all-age, all-weather Harvest event Sun 17th Oct 3-5pm @ the Rectory. Come along with your family to enjoy the great outdoors, with Bible teaching and refreshments. Please park at road or Glebe school.

Covid-19 update: Please continue to wear face masks and practice social distancing. We await news of further changes.

The Mustard Seed: Open Wed, Thu & Fri 10.30-2pm. Prayer time on Thursdays at 12.30pm, under the blue canopy.

Alpha: Online course Tuesdays @8pm starting 2nd November. Great way to explore the Christian faith in company.

Youth Group: @Presbyterian Church every other Friday. For secondary age. For details contact Rev Stephen Richmond.

Donegal Protestant Orphan Society: Please submit donations before the end of October to church or your collector.

Glebe National School: is accepting admissions for 2022/23 school year. Please contact admin@glebenationalschool.ie or ring Margaret on 074 9722183 to request an Application Form. Closing date is Friday 29th October 2021.

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