



# Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey  
14<sup>th</sup> Nov 2021 – 2<sup>nd</sup> before Advent (Remembrance)

## Bible Reading for Today – Ezekiel 37:1-14

<sup>1</sup> The hand of the LORD was on me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the LORD and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup> He led me to and fro among them, and I saw a great many bones on the floor of the valley, bones that were very dry. <sup>3</sup> He asked me, 'Son of man, can these bones live?' I said, 'Sovereign LORD, you alone know.'

<sup>4</sup> Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to these bones and say to them, "Dry bones, hear the word of the LORD!" <sup>5</sup> This is what the Sovereign LORD says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life. <sup>6</sup> I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the LORD.'" <sup>7</sup> So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I was prophesying, there was a noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together, bone to bone. <sup>8</sup> I looked, and tendons and flesh appeared on them and skin covered them, but there was no breath in them.

<sup>9</sup> Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, son of man, and say to it, "This is what the Sovereign LORD says: come, breath, from the four winds and breathe into these slain, that they may live.'" <sup>10</sup> So I prophesied as he commanded me; and breath entered them; they came to life and stood on their feet, a vast army.

## Collect for Today

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.


## Rector's Thoughts


*Ezekiel's vision of the valley of dry bones is one of Scripture's most vivid and hope-filled scenes. Where the Spirit of the Lord is invited, he comes to breathe new life. In a troubled world, it's good to remember that no situation is beyond hope.* DH

## In-Church Services

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

## Prayer Points

 **Give thanks for...** Those who served courageously in times of war.

 **Pray for...** The life-giving power of the Spirit. Hope in all situations.

## Online Services

Wed 8pm, Fri 1pm  
Sun 12 noon

## Phone Service

074 9710199  
Ring any time

## Announcements

**Remembrance Sunday:** Our acts of remembrance will be held this Sunday in Lough Eske, Laghey and Donegal churches. Wreaths will be laid and two minutes' silence observed for lives lost in war. Donations can be given to the Poppy Appeal.

**Services November:** 14<sup>th</sup> Nov Remembrance Sunday Lough Eske, Laghey & Donegal.  
21<sup>st</sup> Nov Family Service Killymard, Laghey & Donegal.  
28<sup>th</sup> Nov Morning Prayer Lough Eske, Laghey & Donegal.

**Friday Night Youth:** For Secondary age. 19<sup>th</sup> Nov, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> Dec 7.30pm @ Presbyterian Hall. Contact S Richmond.

**Young Adults Gathering:** For those aged 18 to mid twenties. Sat 13<sup>th</sup> Nov 7.30pm @ Presbyterian Hall. Food, fun & faith.

**The Mustard Seed:** Open Wed, Thu & Fri 10.30-2pm. Outdoor area or indoors with Covid cert. Prayer time Thu @1230. Coffee Morning in aid of Donegal Food Banks Sat 27<sup>th</sup> Nov. Items for the Food Bank can be dropped off that day.

**Finance:** We thank God for sustaining our parish finances through this challenging period, and all parishioners who have given generously. To set up a regular Standing Order please contact your parish treasurer or Louise (details below).

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