



Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey
21st Nov 2021 – Sunday before Advent (Kingship of Christ)

Bible Reading for Today – Hebrews 12:1-3

¹ Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, ² fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. ³ Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

Collect for Today

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: Keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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 Services

Wed 8pm, Fri 1pm Sun 12 noon

Phone Service

074 9710199 Ring any time

Prayer Points

 **Give thanks for...** Jesus our King and all who have followed him. The encouragement he gives us to run the race. His faithful love.

 **Pray for...** our eyes to stay fixed on Jesus! Perseverance and joy.

Rector's Thoughts

If you're feeling a bit weary at this stage of the year and the pandemic, I don't think you're alone. It has been a tough time and it has been difficult for different people in different ways. Kindness and gentleness are two of the fruits of the Spirit which go a long way at a time like this. Let's cultivate them! Let's also take up the invitation of Hebrews 12 to fix our eyes on Jesus, throwing off the hindrances of sin and running the race before us. What adjustments to your running style would help you to keep going? May the joy of King Jesus keep you running swift and steady to the very end!

With love, David

Announcements

Services November: 21st Nov Family Service Killymard, Laghey & Donegal.
28th Nov Morning Prayer Lough Eske, Laghey & Donegal.
5th Dec Holy Communion Killymard, Laghey & Donegal.

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

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 27th Nov. Items for the Food Bank can be dropped off that day.

Laghey Hall Survey: Please could you take a few minutes to do an online survey about the development of Laghey Hall. It can be found at www.surveymonkey.com/r/QSHKJKV or via Laghey Hall Development Committee Facebook page.

Christmas: With Covid cases high and the possibility of new restrictions, it is hard to plan for Christmas events and services. Currently I am thinking we will have carol services in each church around 12th & 19th December and Communion on 24th & 25th. Big events like the Community Carol Service are sadly unlikely this year (unless outdoors...?)

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

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