



Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey
30th January 2022 – Epiphany 4

Bible Reading for Today – 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

¹ If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. ² If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³ If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. ⁴ Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. ⁸ Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰ but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. ¹¹ When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. ¹² For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. ¹³ And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Collect for Today

Creator God, who in the beginning commanded the light to shine out of darkness: We pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief, shine into the hearts of all your people, and reveal the knowledge of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Rector's Thoughts

1 Corinthians 13 isn't just for weddings! This great passage describes the features of Christian love: patient, kind, forgiving, truthful, enduring. These are the qualities we need to foster, with the help of the Holy Spirit, in our families, churches and communities. It's difficult at times, but such a blessing when it happens!
Wishing you faith, hope and, most of all, love.

David

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)*
* also live-streamed

Prayer Points

Give thanks for...

The greatest gift of love.

Pray for...

Navigating change together.

Online Services

Wed 8pm, Fri 1pm Sun 12noon

Phone Service

Ring 074 9710199 at any time

Announcements

Sunday Services: Morning Prayer 30th Jan. Holy Communion 6th Feb (K, L, D) & 13th Feb (LE).

The Mustard Seed: We are doing some work in the Tea Room to get ready for re-opening soon! We would also welcome extra volunteers – please speak to David / Louise if you think you could help out.

Covid-19: We are moving forward cautiously – still using face masks and distancing, but allowed to sing. Praise God.

Prayer Course: Coming up in Lent (March-April) this year possibly on Tuesday nights. See more at prayercourse.org.

First Aid for Mental Health: Zoom evening for parents about mental health needs in children & young people and learning the basic tools to help. Thursday 3rd February at 7:30pm. To register please email kirsty@deryandrapphoe.org

Interested in Fostering? Tusla are recruiting Foster Carers for children of all ages, especially 8 to 18 years. Online Information Session on Thursday 3rd February, 2022 at 7pm. Please contact the local Tusla office on 074 9123701.

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