

# **Parish Update** Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey 6<sup>th</sup> February 2022 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sun before Lent

### Bible Reading for Today – 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

<sup>1</sup>Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand.<sup>2</sup> By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.<sup>3</sup> For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup> that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup> and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. <sup>6</sup> After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup> Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, <sup>8</sup> and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.<sup>9</sup> For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup> But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them – yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. <sup>11</sup> Whether, then, it is I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.

### Collect for Today

O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Rector's Thoughts**

What would you count as things 'of first importance?' In the eyes of the Apostle Paul, nothing is more important than the death and resurrection of Jesus. I wonder have we lost sight of just how crucial and world-changing those two events are? Our hope, peace, joy and eternal life rest entirely on those twin foundations: that Christ died and rose again. It's the best news in the world, and it always will be!

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In-Church Services	🙏 Prayer Points 🙏	Online Services
<ul> <li>9.30 Killymard (1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday) Lough Eske (2<sup>nd</sup>&amp; 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday)</li> <li>10.45 Laghey (every Sunday)</li> </ul>	<b>P</b> Give thanks for Jesus' precious death and glorious resurrection; baptism & communion as signs and seals of these.	Wed 8pm Fri 1pm Sun 12noon
12.00 Donegal (every Sunday)* * also live-streamed	A Pray for Keeping the gospel at the centre of everything.	<b>Phone Service</b> 074 9710199

#### Announcements

**Sunday Services:** 6<sup>th</sup> Feb Holy Communion (K, L & D); 13<sup>th</sup> Feb Communion (LE), Morning Prayer (L & D); 20<sup>th</sup> Feb Morning Prayer (K, L & D); 27<sup>th</sup> Feb Family Service (LE, L & D). General pattern is HC 1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday and Family Service 4<sup>th</sup> Sun.

**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.

Sunday Schools: Donegal Sunday School is re-starting once a month; first one on Feb 13<sup>th</sup>. Laghey hopefully soon too.

**Prayer Course:** Current plan is to run this course in person on Tuesday nights starting 8<sup>th</sup> March. Learning about all aspects of prayer, using the Lord's Prayer as the basis. See more at <u>prayercourse.org</u>.

Good News Club: Kids' Bible club on Zoom, 6.30pm on Mondays from 7<sup>th</sup> Feb for 5 weeks. Visit <u>cefsligo.com</u> to sign up.

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