



Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey
27th February 2022 – Sunday before Lent

Bible Reading for Today – Luke 7:1-10

When Jesus had finished saying all this to the people who were listening, he entered Capernaum. ²There a centurion's servant, whom his master valued highly, was sick and about to die. ³The centurion heard of Jesus and sent some elders of the Jews to him, asking him to come and heal his servant. ⁴When they came to Jesus, they pleaded earnestly with him, "This man deserves to have you do this, ⁵because he loves our nation and has built our synagogue." ⁶So Jesus went with them.

He was not far from the house when the centurion sent friends to say to him: "Lord, don't trouble yourself, for I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. ⁷That is why I did not even consider myself worthy to come to you. But say the word, and my servant will be healed. ⁸For I myself am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. I tell this one, 'Go,' and he goes; and that one, 'Come,' and he comes. I say to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it."

⁹When Jesus heard this, he was amazed at him, and turning to the crowd following him, he said, "I tell you, I have not found such great faith even in Israel." ¹⁰Then the men who had been sent returned to the house and found the servant well.

Collect for Today

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: Give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Rector's Thoughts

A further easing of Covid restrictions has been indicated by government, with rules being replaced by recommendations. Some will rejoice, others will be nervous. As so often in this crisis, we need to put others ahead of ourselves, being slow to judge and quick to encourage. I'm very grateful for the spirit of loving unity in our churches – let's keep that a priority as things move forward.

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

Online Services

Wednesday 8pm
Friday 1pm
Sunday 12noon

Phone Service

074 9710199
at any time



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Announcements

Sunday Services: 27th Feb Family Service (LE,L&D). 6th March Communion (K,L&D). 13th March Morning Prayer (LE,L&D). 20th March Morning Prayer (K,L&D). 27th March Communion (LE), Family Service (L&D). (Also St Patrick's Day HC 11am D)

The Mustard Seed: We're delighted to be open again each Wed, Thu & Fri 10.30 – 2pm. All welcome.

Sunday Schools: Donegal Sunday School is once a month; next one on Mar 6th. Laghey is starting too, on 6th March.

Ash Wednesday: Holy Communion (traditional form) for start of Lent Wednesday 2nd March at 8pm in Donegal Church.

Prayer Course: This course will run in person on Tuesday nights starting 8th March in Donegal Church Hall. Learning about all aspects of prayer, using the Lord's Prayer as the basis. All are welcome. See more at prayercourse.org.

The Bereavement Journey: A 6 week course to support people who are grieving. Wednesdays 6.30-8.30pm, beginning on 9th March, in the Mustard Seed. Spaces are limited, contact Sandra & Brian Ross 083 351 5400 for info or to book in. Suggested donation of €30 to cover all the materials and light refreshments.

Vestry Meetings: Donegal Monday 28th February, Killymard Monday 7th March. Both at 8pm.

New Wine Ireland: Christian Conference in Sligo 9-12th or 14-17th July. Special discount until 28 Feb. newwineireland.org

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