



Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey
13th March 2022 – 2nd Sunday in Lent

Bible Reading for Today – Luke 13:31-35

³¹ At that time some Pharisees came to Jesus and said to him, "Leave this place and go somewhere else. Herod wants to kill you."
³² He replied, "Go tell that fox, 'I will keep on driving out demons and healing people today and tomorrow, and on the third day I will reach my goal.'"
³³ In any case, I must press on today and tomorrow and the next day—for surely no prophet can die outside Jerusalem!
³⁴ "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and you were not willing."
³⁵ Look, your house is left to you desolate. I tell you, you will not see me again until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.'

Collect for Today

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth that they may return to the way of righteousness: Grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Rector's Thoughts

Two things about Jesus are very evident in our short reading this week: his courage and his love. Undaunted by Herod's threats, he continued on his mission towards Jerusalem. Filled with compassion, he wept over the same city and its failure to respond. There is such a wonderful balance and fulness in Jesus' character. Steely determination and tender compassion live side by side in his heart. Those two qualities of courage and love are greatly needed today: in Ukraine, in Ireland, and everywhere. Pray this week for more courage and more love.

Prayer Points



Give thanks for... Jesus' steadfast courage and his deep love.



Pray for... The Ukraine situation. The bereaved. Our various church activities including the Mustard Seed, Lent courses and Sunday Schools.

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 1200

Phone Service

074 9710199

Announcements

Sunday Services: 13th March MP (LE, L&D). 20th March MP (K, L&D). 27th March Communion (LE), Family Service (L&D).

St Patrick's Day: Thursday 17th March Holy Communion Service at 11.00am in Donegal Parish Church.

Ukraine: €1,457.85 raised so far for Bishops' Appeal Ukraine fund. Donation box in church for a couple more weeks.

The Mustard Seed: We're open for tea, coffee, treats and lunch each Wed, Thu & Fri 10.30 – 2pm. All are welcome!

Sunday Schools: Donegal and Laghey Sunday Schools are both running once a month; next one on April 3rd.

Prayer Course: Tues nights at 8pm in Donegal Church Hall. Next meeting is 22nd March. Let David know if coming.

The Bereavement Journey: Limited space available. Contact Sandra 083 351 5400 to book in. Weds 6.30pm in M Seed.

Covid-19: Face coverings are now optional in church. Distanced seating remains for now. Pls stay home if symptomatic.

Upcoming events: In the coming months we hope to have some initiatives and events including a clothing collection for Laghey, a strawberry tea in Donegal and a possible joint Killymard-Lough Eske event. 2022 is the 300th anniversary of the parish of Donegal and the 100th anniversary of the 'marriage' of Killymard and Lough Eske so these will be celebrated.

Precept Training Day: Learn about studying and teaching the Bible. Presbyterian Church 26 March 9.30am – 12.30pm.

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