

Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey 18th Sept 2022 - Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Bible Reading for Today - 1 Timothy 2:1-7

¹ I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people – ² for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. ³ This is good, and pleases God our Saviour, ⁴ who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. 5 For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶ who gave himself as a ransom for all people. This has now been witnessed to at the proper time. ⁷ And for this purpose I was appointed a herald and an apostle – I am telling the truth, I am not lying - and a true and faithful teacher of the Gentiles.

In-Church Services

Killymard (1st, 3rd, 5th Sunday) 9.30 Lough Eske (2nd& 4th Sunday)

Donegal (every Sunday)

Laghey (every Sunday) 10.45 12.00

1200 service is also online

Online Services

Fri 1pm, Sun 12noon on Facebook

074 9710199 from any phone

Phone Service

Prayer Points

Thanks: The power & privilege of prayer. God's desire for all to be saved & know the truth.

Prayer: The rulers of this and other countries. The Ukraine conflict and its effects. Our UK friends. All facing financial stress.

Collect for Today

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: Give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Rector's Thoughts

This week's highlighted passage comes from St Paul's first letter to Timothy (a young leader in the early Church.) The spotlight is on prayer and its vital role in God's purposes. God wants all people to be saved, salvation requires hearing the gospel, and spreading the gospel is easiest when there is good and peaceful government. So praying for kings and governors is a key Christian duty. No doubt in the past week or so we've remembered to pray for our neighbours in the UK as they adjust to a new King and Prime Minister. Here in our own country, the President and Taoiseach should never be far from our prayers, along with all who have leadership roles in other walks of life. Pray, pray, pray!

Announcements

Sunday Services: (*=Harvest) 18th Sep MP (K,L,D). 25th Sep MP (LE*) FS (L,D). 2nd Oct HC (K,L,D*). 9th Oct HC (LE), MP (L*,D)

Sunday Schools: Beginning again on 18th Sept and running on the first and third Sunday of each month in Laghey and Donegal. Family service on fourth Sunday of month. Confirmation in 2023 for those in 6th class or above; info to follow.

DRY Invites: Special worship service led by youth but open to everyone. Sunday 18th Sept at 4pm in Raphoe Cathedral. Guest speakers = medal-winning Para-Triathlon sisters Chloe and Judith MacCombe. Not to be missed!

Harvest Thanksgiving: Evening services (8pm) & preachers:

<u>L Eske</u> ~ Mon 26th Sept ~ Mrs Georgina Armstrong <u>Laghey</u> ~ Fri 7th Oct ~ Bishop Andrew Forster

<u>Donegal</u> ~ Fri 30th Sept ~ Rev John Montgomery Killymard ~ Fri 14th Oct ~ Mr Sean McClafferty

The offering at our 2022 Harvest services will go to projects in Diocese of Yei, South Sudan, via CMS Ireland.

The Mustard Seed: Open Wed, Thu & Fri 10.30am-2pm. Prayer on Fridays 12.30pm (@ M Seed) - come and join us!

Hilltown Ladies Coffee Morning: Cake sale & raffle. Sat 24th Sept 11am – 2pm in Ballintra Hall, proceeds to A&E, Sligo.

Mid-week Bible Study: 6 weeks joint meetings with C of I, Presbyterian & Methodists looking at lives of the 12 disciples. Choice of Wed 8pm (Donegal Church Hall) or Thu 11am (Presbyterian Church Hall). Beginning Wed 19th / Thu 20th Oct.

Next Prayer Meeting: Tuesday 4th Oct 8pm @ Donegal. **Next Contemporary Service:** Sunday 16th Oct 7.30 @ Laghey.

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