



Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey
2nd Oct 2022 – Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Bible Reading for Today – Luke 17:5-10

⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!'

⁶ He replied, 'If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it will obey you.'

⁷ 'Suppose one of you has a servant ploughing or looking after the sheep. Will he say to the servant when he comes in from the field, "Come along now and sit down to eat"? ⁸ Won't he rather say, "Prepare my supper, get yourself ready and wait on me while I eat and drink; after that you may eat and drink"? ⁹ Will he thank the servant because he did what he was told to do? ¹⁰ So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, "We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty."'

Collect for Today

O Lord, Hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Rector's Thoughts

The Harvest Thanksgiving services are underway, giving us an opportunity to thank God for his many blessings. The reading from Luke 17 reminds us that God doesn't owe us anything – whatever we have received from him is undeserved. Giving thanks to God is 'our duty and our joy' so let's seize the moment and come with joyful hearts and loud voices to give him praise!

Well done to those who decorate our church buildings with fruit, flowers and other reminders of God's creation; it adds another dimension to our worship.

Harvest blessings, 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) + *online*

Online Services


Fri 1pm, Sun 12noon

Phone Service

074 9710199

Prayer Points

 **Thanks:** Harvest blessings; God's grace; Answered prayers.

 **Prayer:** True and lively worship; Faithful service; Love towards all.

Announcements

Sunday Services: (underlined=harvest) 2nd Oct HC (K,L,D). 9th Oct HC (LE) MP (L,D). 16th Oct MP (K,L,D). 23rd Oct FS (LE,L,D)

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

L Eske ~ Mon 26th Sept ~ Mrs Georgina Armstrong

Donegal ~ Fri 30th Sept ~ Rev John Montgomery

Laghey ~ Fri 7th Oct ~ Bishop Andrew Forster

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.

Sunday Schools: Run on the first and third Sunday of each month in Laghey and Donegal. Family service on fourth Sunday of month. Confirmation around May-June 2023 for those in 6th class or above; info and date to follow.

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

Wednesday Bible Study: 10.00am @ Mustard Seed. Contact Bev 074 9721075. **DPOS:** Wed 5th Oct 7.30pm Letterkenny.

Joint Bible Study: 6 weeks of meetings with C of I, Presbyterian & Methodist friends, 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.

Gift Days: Gift Sundays were held in the churches over the summer. Return of the special envelopes would be appreciated.

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

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