



Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey
23rd Oct 2022 – Fifth Sunday before Advent

Bible Reading for Today – Luke 18: 9-14

⁹To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everyone else, Jesus told this parable: ¹⁰"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people – robbers, evildoers, adulterers – or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.' ¹³"But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.' ¹⁴"I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

Collect for Today

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Help us to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Rector's Thoughts

Thank the Lord for the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector, which shows us that the way to God is through his mercy, not our merit. We should come back to this story every time we are tempted to place confidence in our own goodness and to look down on anyone else.

"It is by grace you are saved, through faith... not by works." Ephesians 2:8-9

Online Services

Fri 1pm, Sun 12noon

Phone Service

074 9710199

Prayer Points



Thanks: The Lord's mercy and forgiveness.



Prayer: Those who seem far from God. The least and the lost. All who are sick. Victims of the Creeslough tragedy.

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*

Announcements

Sunday Services NB change*: 23rd Oct FS (LE,L,D). 30th Oct **HC*** (K,L,D). 6th Nov **MP*** (K,L,D). 13th Nov HC (LE), MP (L,D).

Sunday Schools: 1st & 3rd Sunday of month in Laghey & Donegal (not 6th Nov mid term). Family service on 4th Sunday.

The Marriage Course: 7 online sessions, designed to help couples invest in their relationship and build a strong marriage. No group sharing, only guided conversations between the couple. Thu 8pm from 27th Oct. Info: Sandra/Brian 0833515400.

Contemporary Worship Service: Sunday 23rd Oct 7.30pm @ Laghey. Music old & new, Bible teaching & prayer ministry.

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

Groceries appeal: Basic groceries & personal care items for struggling families can be left during M Seed opening times.

Joint Bible Study: Join Archdeacon Huss & Revs Montgomery & Richmond for a 6 week Bible study course looking at the lives of the 12 apostles. Come either on Wednesdays at 8pm in Donegal Church of Ireland Hall beginning Wed 19th Oct or Thursdays mornings at 11am in Donegal Presbyterian Church Hall beginning Thu 20th Oct. All are very welcome!

Faith Mission Rally: Tue 25th Oct 8pm @ Methodist Church. **Glebe NS PTA Quiz:** Dom's Pier One 9pm Friday 21st Oct.

Coffee morning & cake sale: Sat 22nd Oct 11am – 2pm Methodist Church Hall. Proceeds to Sligo surgical/gynae ward.

Team Hope Shoebox appeal: Fill your Christmas shoeboxes by 8th Nov! Information leaflets are available in church.

Gospel Concert: St John's Church Inver Friday 11th Nov @8pm. Ballybay Group + local singers. Donations on the night.

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