

Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey 9th April 2023 – Easter Sunday

Bible Reading for Today – Matthew 28:1-10

¹ After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. ² There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. ⁴ The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men. ⁵ The angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples: "He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him." Now I have told you.' ⁸ So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ Suddenly Jesus met them. 'Greetings,' he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshipped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'

In-Church Services

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

10.45 Laghey (every Sunday)

12.00 Donegal (every Sunday) +online

Online Services

Fri 1pm, Sun 12noon

⚠ Prayer Points **⚠**

Thanks: Jesus is alive! Praise the Lord for this fact and the hope it gives.

Prayer: For all who feel hopeless, all who mourn, & all who face seemingly impossible situations.

Collect for Today

Living God, for our redemption you gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection you have delivered us from the power of our enemy. Grant us so to die daily unto sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Rector's Thoughts

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

'Unprecedented,' 'earth-shattering,' 'world-changing' - these are phrases we see almost daily in our world of crazy news and constant change. But the resurrection of Jesus Christ truly merits such descriptions. By rising from the dead he really has changed the world, for good, for ever!

Happy Easter! David & family.

Announcements

Sunday services: 9th April Easter Services (see below); 16th April MP (K,L,D); 23rd April FS (LE,L,D); 30th April MP (K,L,D)

Sunday Schools: Laghey & Donegal, 1st & 3rd Sundays (except school holidays). Next one will be on 7th May.

The Mustard Seed: Open Wed, Thu & Fri 10.30am–2pm. Prayer time for all on Fridays at 12.30pm. (Closed Good Friday)

Holy Week: Wednesday 5th April Joint Service 8pm @ Methodist Church.

Phone Service

074 9710199

Maundy Thursday 6th April Communion 8pm @ Presbyterian Church.

Good Friday 7th April Services: 11.00am @ Donegal Parish Church & 8pm @ Christ Church Lough Eske.

Easter Day: 6.30am Dawn Service @ Old Abbey (breakfast @ Rectory afterwards).

Holy Communion Services: 8.30 Lough Eske, 9.30 Killymard, 10.45 Laghey, 12.00 Donegal.

Easter Fun: Easter egg hunt and other fun activities for all ages! Easter Day 9th April 3-5pm at the Rectory.

Easter General Vestries: (Parish AGMs) 8pm L Eske Mon 17th April, Killymard Tue 18th, Laghey Mon 24th, Donegal Tue 25th

Quiet Day: Sat 29th April at Carrigart. Contact Rev Stephen Richmond 086 1953833.

Graveyards: When tidying, please don't dump old wreaths within the cemetery or Rectory grounds. Thanks!

Glebe NS Bake Sale: Sat 22nd April 1-3pm at Salthill Cabin, Mountcharles. **Easter Break:** No Parish Update next week.

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