



# Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey  
23<sup>rd</sup> April 2023 – The Third Sunday of Easter

## Bible Reading for Today – Luke 24:13-35

<sup>13</sup> Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. <sup>15</sup> As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; <sup>16</sup> but they were kept from recognising him...

<sup>25</sup> He said to them, 'How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! <sup>26</sup> Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?' <sup>27</sup> And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself...

<sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened and they recognised him, and he disappeared from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They asked each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?'

## Collect for Today

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: Give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Rector's Thoughts

↩ I only had space for parts of this week's reading and I'd invite you to read the whole thing (Luke 24) – the account of the disciples who met the risen Jesus on the road to Emmaus.

'Walking with Jesus' is a perfect summary of the Christian life – meeting, learning, asking & eating as we journey with him to the places he takes us. May Christ's presence cheer and guide you this week!

*With love, David*

## In-Church Services

9.30 Killymard (1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sun)  
Lough Eske (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sun)  
10.45 Laghey (every Sunday)  
12.00 Donegal (every Sunday) +online

## Prayer Points

**Thanks:** The presence of the risen Lord Jesus.

**Prayer:** Encouragement. Guidance. Bible teaching. Confirmation candidates. Nigeria, Sudan, Ukraine. Select vestry members.

## Online Services

Fri 1pm, Sun 12noon

## Phone Service

074 9710199

## Announcements

**Sunday services:** 23<sup>rd</sup> April Family Service (LE,L,D); 30<sup>th</sup> April MP (K,L,D); 7<sup>th</sup> May HC (K,L,D); 14<sup>th</sup> May HC (LE), MP (L,D).

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

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

**Thank you:** To everyone who helped in any way with our Easter services and events, which went off very well.

**Easter General Vestries:** (Parish AGMs) 8pm Laghey Mon 24<sup>th</sup>, Donegal Tue 25<sup>th</sup> April. All are encouraged to come.

**Glebe NS Bake Sale:** Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> April 1-3pm at Salthill Cabin, Mountcharles. Lots of fun and tasty treats.

**Quiet Day:** Sat 29<sup>th</sup> April at Carrigart. Time to recharge. Contact Rev Stephen Richmond 086 1953833 to join.

**Graveyards:** Let's all work to keep our cemeteries in good order by taking away old wreaths & flowers (please don't dump these in hedges or neighbouring gardens!) and by obtaining permission for all headstones and inscriptions. Thank you.

**Upcoming events:** Sunday School prizegiving 28<sup>th</sup> May. Confirmation 18<sup>th</sup> June. Details to follow.

**Summer opportunities:** We highly recommend [Summer Madness](#) (30<sup>th</sup> June – 4<sup>th</sup> July in Portglenone) and [New Wine](#) (9<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> July in Sligo) as opportunities for fun, fellowship and spiritual growth. Summer Madness is a Christian youth festival. We are taking a group with Derry & Raphoe Youth. New Wine is a conference for all ages with worship, teaching & more.

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