



# Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey  
2<sup>nd</sup> July 2023 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

## Bible Reading for Today – Matthew 10: 40-42

<sup>40</sup> "Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. <sup>41</sup> Whoever welcomes a prophet as a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person as a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. <sup>42</sup> And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward."

## Collect for Today

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal that we finally lose not the things eternal: Grant this, heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our Lord. Amen.

## 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

## Phone Service

074 9710199

## Online Services

Fri 1pm, Sun 12noon  
(will be intermittent in July)

## Rector's Thoughts

*It's hard to believe we are coming into the second half of 2023! Schools are off, holidays are on, and the town and surrounding areas are busy with tourists. July and August can be a time of spiritual growth if we take the opportunities of the various events outlined below. It's also a great time to pick up a good book (especially **the Good Book**) and have a good read. Enjoy July! DH*

## Prayer Points

**Thanks:** Summer time with its different rhythms and opportunities. Break from school or college. Camps, conferences, festivals etc.

**Prayer:** Those who are extra busy at this time of year. Young people heading to Summer Madness and other camps. All who are sick.

## Announcements

**Sunday services:** 2<sup>nd</sup> July MP (K,L,D); 9<sup>th</sup> July MP (LE,L,D); 16<sup>th</sup> July MP (K,L,D); 23<sup>rd</sup> July MP (LE,L,D); 30<sup>th</sup> July MP (K,L,D).

**Prayer Meeting:** Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July at 8pm in Donegal Church Hall. One hour to pray for parish, community and world.

**Confirmation:** A big thank you to everyone involved in our Confirmation service and classes. We had a great time. Please continue to pray for the 28 young people who were confirmed and for plans for a new Youth Group in the autumn...

**Holy Communion:** Our next Holy Communion service is planned for 6<sup>th</sup> August.

**Rick & Alanna:** We hope to have the Creighton family (Nigeria) with us on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July. Details to follow...

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

**Summer Events:** Pray for the young people going to [Summer Madness](#) (Youth festival Portglenone 30<sup>th</sup> June – 4<sup>th</sup> July). Day tickets are available from the website. You can also get day tickets for [New Wine](#) (conference for all ages in Sligo 9<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> July). Highly recommended! Have a word with David Huss to find out more.

**Barn Service:** Save the date – Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July at 4pm at the home of Mr & Mrs M Jervis, Edrim Glebe. D Huss preaching.

**Rosstown Presbyterian:** Summer services each Sunday in July & August at 7pm at the 'tin church' in Rosstown.

**Vintage Tea:** Donegal Methodist Church Sat 29<sup>th</sup> July 2pm / 4.15pm. Contact Adeline 0877919508 / Valerie 0876108066.

**Family Football Frenzy:** Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August in Castlederg. For all ages! Derry and Raphoe fun event. Contact David Huss.

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