



Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey
27th August 2023 – 12th Sunday after Trinity

Bible Reading for Today – Romans 12: 1-8

¹ Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God – this is your true and proper worship. ² Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will. ³ For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. ⁴ For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, ⁵ so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. ⁶ We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; ⁷ if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; ⁸ if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

Collect for Today

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire, or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask save through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen.

Rector's Thoughts

I'm a bit short of space this week so I'll keep it brief: Read the Bible and do what it says!

*God bless,
David*

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

Prayer Points

Thanks: God's great mercy.

Prayer: Diligently serving the Lord in our daily lives.

Online Services

Fri 1pm, Sun 12noon

Phone Service

074 9710199

Announcements

Sunday services: 27th Aug MP (LE,L,D); 3rd Sept HC (K,L,D); 10th Sept HC (LE), MP (L,D); 17th Sept MP (K,L,D).

Confirmation Reunion: An invitation to all our young people who were confirmed this year to come for a fun evening, Sunday 3rd Sep 7-8pm in Laghey Hall. Time to catch up after the summer and enjoy food and fun together! RSVP to David.

The Long Walk for Lorna: Rev Stephen Richmond's 50km sponsored walk from Sligo hospital to Lorna's home Saturday 26th August. To help with Lorna's long-term care costs. Donate in church or through [GoFundMe](#) page (The Long Walk for Lorna). To join part of the walk contact Stephen on 0861953833 or stephenrichmond100@gmail.com. Many thanks.

Summertime @ the Mustard Seed: Each Saturday in August at 10.30am there will be tea and scones and a chance to hear different folks share true stories of God and his impact on ordinary lives – 'a day in the life of...' All are most welcome!

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

Prayer Meeting: Donegal Church Hall Tue 5th Sept 8-9pm. **Donegal Select Vestry:** Monday 4th Sept at 8pm in the hall.

Gift Days & Tax Refunds: Many thanks to all who have returned Gift Day envelopes (all parishes) and Tax Refund forms (Donegal and Laghey). Please do bring back any others that you may have. Thank you.

Clergy movements: Congrats to Rev Chris Matchett, to be minister of Fanad & Carrigart and Rev Liz Fitzgerald, to be Dean of Raphoe Cathedral. Best wishes to Rev Stephen and Janice Richmond as they move on from Donegal Presbyterian.

Harvests: Save these dates! L. Eske Mon 25th Sep, Donegal Fri 29th Sep, Laghey Fri 6th Oct, Killymard Fri 13th Oct, all 8pm.

Coming soon: Sunday Schools, Bible classes, Fundraising meetings & more will all be starting up soon. Watch this space!

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