

# **Parish Update**

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey 11<sup>th</sup> August 2024 – the Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

# Bible Reading for Today – John 6: 35, 41-51

<sup>35</sup> Then Jesus declared, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty ... <sup>41</sup> At this the Jews there began to grumble about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' <sup>42</sup> They said, 'Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I came down from heaven"?' <sup>43</sup> 'Stop grumbling among yourselves,' Jesus answered. <sup>44</sup> 'No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws them, and I will raise them up at the last day. <sup>45</sup> It is written in the Prophets: "They will all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard the Father and learned from him comes to me. <sup>46</sup> No one has seen the Father except the one who is from God; only he has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup> Very truly I tell you, the one who believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, yet they died. <sup>50</sup> But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which anyone may eat and not die. <sup>51</sup>I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live for ever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.'

#### **In-Church Services**

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

#### Prayer Points 🙏

**Thanks:** Jesus who came from heaven for us.

**Prayer:** Refugees, people in need, gospel outreach.

## **Collect for Today**

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

# Rector's Thoughts

There is a lot to take in in this week's passage, as is often the case with John's Gospel. Why not read these verses through yourself and see what jumps out to you? Then turn those thoughts into prayer, either thanking God or asking for things needed.

As we 'feed' on the word of God in this way, our souls will be nourished and our faith will grow.

**Phone Service** 074 9710199

Online Services Fri 1pm, Sun 12.00

### **Announcements**

Sunday services: 11<sup>th</sup> Aug HC (LE), MP (L,D); 18<sup>th</sup> Aug MP (K,L,D); 25<sup>th</sup> Aug MP (LE,L,D); 1<sup>st</sup> Sept HC (K,L,D).

Raise the Roof Laghey: Remember you can donate at <u>gofundme.com</u> or by envelope or bank transfer (ask for details). **Trash → Cash:** Bottles & cans with Re-turn logo can be left (clean & bagged please) at Kee's of Laghey Petrol Station. A full bin bag of cans/bottles is typically worth €10 so it's well worth doing. Many thanks!

**The Mustard Seed:** Tea Room Wed-Fri 10.30am–2pm, **Prayer time** Fridays @12.30pm. **Bags from Nigeria** on sale now! **Late night café:** Fridays at the Mustard Seed 7pm until late. Fresh coffee, tasty treats, good company.

**Thank you:** The recent outing on Donegal Bay Waterbus raised €3,520 for Donegal Church funds. Thanks everyone!

Vintage Tea: Methodist Church Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Aug 2pm & 4.15pm. €15 Contact Adeline (0877919508) or Valerie (0876108066). Cake Sale: Donegal Church Hall Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August 12noon. Please speak to Audrey Irwin if you could bake something.

**Heritage Week:** Open Day Donegal Church Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2-5pm. Historic displays & activities for all ages. **Big Restart:** Derry & Raphoe Youth event Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> Oct 11am-2.30pm at Oakfire Adventure Derry. Details to follow!

**Host families:** are needed for Spanish students attending Glebe NS for the first four weeks of term. If you would like to welcome a student into your family, and be suitably remunerated, please contact Emma to find out more: 0834172585.

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