



Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey

25th August 2024 – Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Bible Reading for Today – John 6: 60-69

⁶⁰ On hearing it, many of his disciples said, 'This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?' ⁶¹ Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them, 'Does this offend you? ⁶² Then what if you see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before! ⁶³ The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you – they are full of the Spirit and life. ⁶⁴ Yet there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus had known from the beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him. ⁶⁵ He went on to say, 'This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has enabled them.'

⁶⁶ From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him. ⁶⁷ 'You do not want to leave too, do you?' Jesus asked the Twelve. ⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹ We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God.'

Collect for Today

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: Help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted on the cross, and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Rector's Thoughts

Whatever you do, don't ever stop following Jesus. He has the words of eternal life. Right now, decide that you will keep following him (and that you will join us for worship on Sunday: in person if possible, online or phone if necessary). God bless, D

In-Church Services

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

Prayer Points 🙏

Thanks: Jesus' life-giving teaching; truth & power.

Prayer: Consistency and cop-on in following Christ.

Phone Service

074 9710199

Online Services

Fri 1pm, Sun 12.00

Announcements

Sunday services: 25th Aug MP (LE,L,D); 1st Sept HC (K,L,D); 8th Sept HC (LE), MP (L,D); 15th Sept MP (K,L,D).

Cake Sale: Donegal Church Hall Saturday 24th August 12noon. Please bring cakes on Friday at 8pm.

Heritage Week: Open Day Donegal Church Sunday 25th August 2-5pm. Historic displays & activities for all ages.

Raise the Roof Laghey: Remember you can donate at [gofundme.com](https://www.gofundme.com) 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.

The Mustard Seed: Tea Room Wed-Fri 10.30am-2pm, **Prayer time** Fridays @12.30pm. **Bags from Nigeria** on sale now! We would welcome any **new volunteers** to help in the Mustard Seed with serving or baking. Talk to David or Louise.

Late night café: Fridays at the Mustard Seed 7pm until late. Fresh coffee, tasty treats, good company.

Contemporary Worship: Save the date of Sunday 1st September at 7.30pm in Donegal Methodist Church.

Big Restart: Derry & Raphoe Youth event Saturday 5th Oct 11am-2.30pm at Oakfire Adventure Derry. For anyone in Secondary School. [Contact David to sign up.](#) **Youth Group:** We hope to begin Sunday nights again soon (15th Sept).

Sunday Schools: We will aim to begin 15th Sept with Donegal on 1st & 3rd Sunday each month and Laghey 2nd & 3rd.

Confirmation: We plan to hold a Confirmation service around May/June 2025 (date will be set by the Bishop) for those in 6th class or above. Details will follow in the autumn and classes will be in the new year. Adult candidates also welcome.

The 100-mile month: The rector plans to walk 100 miles in September for Laghey roof. To sponsor him, or to join the challenge yourself, sponsor cards are available in church.

Laghey Parish Church would like to thank Donegal County Council for their recent grant approval of €2,500 towards chimney liner installation and other associated works.



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