

# **Parish Update**

## Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey 17<sup>th</sup> November 2024 – Second Sunday before Advent

#### Bible Reading for Today - Hebrews 10: 19-25

<sup>19</sup> Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup> by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, <sup>21</sup> and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup> let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup> Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup> And let us consider how we may spur one another on towards love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup> not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another – and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

#### **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

## Online Services

Fri 1pm, Sun 12.00

## Phone Service

074 9710199

### **Collect for Today**

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### Rector's Thoughts

In a week where Church of England failings over safeguarding and child abuse have been in the headlines, it's worth praying the collect with extra intensity this week. DH

If you have any concerns about safeguarding matters speak to a member of the **Parish Panel** (David Huss, Nuala Dudley, Heather Harron & Sharon Love). You can also contact **Tusla** 074 9102233 or the **Garda** 074 9740014 or 999.

#### Announcements

Sunday services: 17th Nov Remembrance (K), MP (L,D); 24th Nov Family Service (LE,L,D); 1st Dec HC (K,L,D).

**Youth Group:** Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Nov 7.00 – 8.30pm Laghey. **Joint Family Service** on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Dec Laghey @11am.

Prayer Points 🙏

Dáil Éireann election.

Survivors & victims of abuse.

All bereaved by sudden death.

**Bible Study:** Wednesdays at 8pm (Methodist Hall) or Thursdays at 11am (Presbyterian Hall) looking at Colossians.

Parish Readers: Would you be interested in helping lead church services? Training is coming up soon, speak to David.

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 @ Mustard Seed 7pm till late. Laghey bottles collection: Total raised €1,174.70. Thank you all! ADVENTure Time: Derry & Raphoe Youth Christmas party. Raphoe Cathedral Hall Sat 30<sup>th</sup> Nov 4-6.30pm with food,

games and fellowship. Let the Rector know if you plan to come (secondary school age).

**Donegal Church Draw & Auction:** Abbey Hotel 27<sup>th</sup> Nov 8.30pm.

**Service of Remembrance:** Solace Cancer Centre Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 8pm.

**Confirmation:** Will be held Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2025 in Killymard at 12.00noon. Classes (for those in 6<sup>th</sup> class or above) will begin in the New Year. Adults who have not been confirmed are also welcome (separate preparation will be given).

**Glebe NS Quiz:** Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Nov 8.30pm in Dom's Pier 1. €20 for team of up to 4 people. Fundraiser for school polytunnel.

Seniors' Christmas Party Laghey/Ballintra: Sandhouse Thu 5<sup>th</sup> Dec 1.30pm. €20 meal & music, ring 074 9722325.

Seniors' Christmas Party Donegal: Abbey Hotel Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Dec 11am. €12 incl. dinner & music, to book 074 9725337.

**Coffee Morning, Cake & Craft Sale**: Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov 10.30am – 1pm Methodist Hall in aid of Sharon Morrow's project providing equipment for hospitals in Malawi.

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