



Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey

23rd February 2025 – Second Sunday before Lent

Bible Reading for Today – Luke 8: 22-25

²² One day Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us go over to the other side of the lake.' So they got into a boat and set out. ²³ As they sailed, he fell asleep. A squall came down on the lake, so that the boat was being swamped, and they were in great danger.

²⁴ The disciples went and woke him, saying, 'Master, Master, we're going to drown!'

He got up and rebuked the wind and the raging waters; the storm subsided, and all was calm. ²⁵ 'Where is your faith?' he asked his disciples.

In fear and amazement they asked one another, 'Who is this? He commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him.'

Collect for Today

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. Amen.

Rector's Thoughts

We're all too familiar with storms at the moment, so it's good to be reminded of the occasion when Jesus calmed a squall using just his voice. Not only does that prove his divine and mighty abilities, it also shows how he loves to use his power to bring his people peace. May the Lord calm the storms afflicting you, and settle your heart also. DH

Online Services

Fri 1pm, Sun 12.00

Phone Service

074 9710199

Prayer Points

- Thank God for his storm-calming Son, Jesus.
- Pray for those bereaved, injured & affected in other ways by recent storms.
- Pray for our parishes and all who serve in them, including vestry members.

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

Everyone welcome!

Announcements

Sunday services: 23rd Feb MP (LE), Family Service (L,D); 2nd Mar HC (K,L,D); 9th Mar HC (LE), MP (L,D); 16th Mar MP (K,L,D).

Sunday Schools: Laghey 2nd & 3rd Sunday of month, Donegal 1st & 3rd Sunday of month.

Youth Group: Sunday 23rd Feb 7-8.15pm @ Laghey. Fun, friendship, food & faith. For secondary age young people.

The Mustard Seed: Tea Room open Wed-Fri 10.30am-2pm. **Prayer time:** @ Mustard Seed on Fridays at 12.30pm.

We are on the lookout for additional [volunteers](#) for baking and for serving in the tea room – speak to Louise/David.

Late night café: Fridays @ Mustard Seed 7pm till late. All are welcome. Worship night 14th Feb from 8pm.

DRY weekend: For young people of secondary age. 28th -30th March at Gartan Outdoor Centre. Fun, outdoor activities and learning together with others from across Derry & Raphoe. Further details and sign-up forms from the Rector.

Bible Study: Wednesdays at 8pm (C of I Hall) / Thursdays at 11am (Presb. Hall), looking at the 7 signs in John's Gospel.

Ash Wednesday Service: Wed 5th March 8pm Donegal. **St Patrick's Day Service:** Monday 17th March 11am Donegal.

Paul Harron: Support the fundraiser for Paul at www.gofundme.com/supporting-pauls-road-to-recovery. Thank you.

Laghey Auction: In aid of Hall Development. Thu 27th March 8pm in the Rambling House, Laghey. Offers of lots welcome.

Killymard coffee Morning: Saturday 12th April 11am – 2pm Donegal Church Hall. Save the date!

Bishop Andrew's Online Services: Watch out for the series on Derry & Raphoe Facebook starting Sunday 9th Mar 4pm.

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