



Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey
2nd March 2025 – The Sunday before Lent

Bible Reading for Today – Luke 9: 28-36

The transfiguration

²⁸ About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. ²⁹ As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. ³⁰ Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendour, talking with Jesus. ³¹ They spoke about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfilment at Jerusalem. ³² Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. ³³ As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, 'Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters – one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' (He did not know what he was saying.)

³⁴ While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. ³⁵ A voice came from the cloud, saying, 'This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him.' ³⁶ When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

Collect for Today

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: Give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Rector's Thoughts

Today's reading on this 'Transfiguration Sunday' turns our attention from earthly things to the divine person of Jesus. For a brief moment on mountain, the disciples saw his heavenly glory and heard the voice of the Father: "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him!" We had better do so.

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

Pray for wisdom for world leaders in the present time of change and uncertainty.
Pray for our young people.

Online Services

Fri 1pm, Sun 12.00

Phone Service

074 9710199

Announcements

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

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

Sunday School: Laghey 2nd & 3rd Sunday of month, Donegal 1st & 3rd Sunday of month. **Confirmation Class:** Sun @6pm.

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

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. **Parish Prayer Meeting:** Tue 11th March 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. Contact the Rector ASAP to join (deadline 1st March).

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

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

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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