

Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey 25th May 2025 ~ the Sixth Sunday of Easter

Bible Reading for Today - John 13: 31-35

²³ Jesus replied, 'Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴ Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.

²⁵ 'All this I have spoken while still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

²⁸ 'You heard me say, "I am going away and I am coming back to you." If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe.

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)

*no online service Sunday 25th May (Confirmation 1200 at Killymard)

♣ Prayer Points ♣

Give thanks for our young people being confirmed.

<u>Pray</u> they will be filled with the Holy Spirit and remain faithful to Jesus in the years ahead.

Collect for Today

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: Grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Rector's Thoughts

This Sunday we look forward to Bishop Andrew's visit to Killymard to confirm 13 young people. They are taking a big step on their faith journey, confirming the promises made for them at baptism and being admitted into full membership of the Church. We are really excited for them! Keep praying.

Online Services

Fri 1pm, Sun 12.00*

Phone Service

074 9710199

Announcements

Sunday services: *25th May Confirmation (K) 1200; 1st June HC (K,L,D); 8th June HC (LE) MP (L,D) 15th June MP (K,L,D).

Confirmation: Service of Confirmation on **Sunday 25th May** at **12.00noon** in **Killymard**. This is the only service in the group of parishes on that day. Please pray for the 13 candidates who will be making this step of commitment.

Sunday Schools: Donegal 1st & 15th June. Laghey 8th & 15th June. Family Service will be on 22nd June.

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

Late night café: Fridays @ Mustard Seed 7pm till late. Testimony night on 23rd May.

Laghey Parish Church would like to thank Donegal County Council for their recent grant approval of €2,500 under their DFI Fund towards the restoration of the northwest and southwest spires of Laghey Church, which were in need of repair.

Comhairle Contae Dhún na nGall Donegal County Council

Walking Warriors: Bereavement group, Mondays at 7pm meet @ Bosco centre.

Quiet Day: Saturday 7th June 9.30am – 3.30pm in Derry. Contact Rev Carmen Hayes <u>carmenmirandahayes@hotmail.com</u>. **St Columba's Day Service:** Sunday 8th June 3pm at Gartan Abbey, Churchill, Co. Donegal. Open-air celebration service.

Killymard BBQ: Friday 20th June 7pm at Ashtree Garden Centre. More details to follow. Save the date!

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