



# Parish Update

**Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey**

**3<sup>rd</sup> August 2025 ~ The 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

## Bible Reading for Today – Luke 12: 13-21

<sup>13</sup> Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.' <sup>14</sup> Jesus replied, 'Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?' <sup>15</sup> Then he said to them, 'Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.'

<sup>16</sup> And he told them this parable: 'The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. <sup>17</sup> He thought to himself, "What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops." <sup>18</sup> Then he said, "This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. <sup>19</sup> And I'll say to myself, 'You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry.'"<sup>20</sup> But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?"

<sup>21</sup> 'This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich towards God.'

## Collect for Today

*Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same. through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## Rector's Thoughts

*This week's Bible reading shows the sad possibility of missing the entire point of life, by focusing on material wealth and neglecting spiritual health. Let's be sure we aren't like the Rich Fool in the parable Jesus told.*

*On a personal note, thank you for all the kind wishes on the occasion of our 50th birthdays (both me and Bev)!!*

## In-Church Services

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

**Everyone welcome!**

## Prayer Points

Give thanks for the warning Jesus gives us in the above passage and pray for an eternal perspective on life.

## Online Services

Fri 1pm, Sun 12.00

## Phone Service

074 9710199

## Announcements

**Sunday Services:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug HC (K,L,D); 10<sup>th</sup> Aug HC (LE), MP (L,D); 17<sup>th</sup> Aug MP (K,L,D); 24<sup>th</sup> Aug MP (LE,L,D).

**Thank you:** To all who supported the Coffee Morning and Bake Sale in aid of Donegal Parish Church, and to the team of helpers. €1,302 was raised for church funds. **Gift Days:** Please remember to return the special envelope. Thanks!

**Heritage Open Day:** Laghey Parish Church Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2-6pm. Enjoy discovering our church's history & people!

**The Mustard Seed:** Tea Room open Wed-Fri 10.30am-2pm. **Prayer time:** @ Mustard Seed Fridays at 12.15pm.

**Late Night Café:** Fridays @ Mustard Seed 7pm to late. All are welcome for good company and good coffee.

**Barn Service & Mission:** At M Jervis's, Edrim Glebe F94 KF44. Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July – Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August. Sundays at 4pm, Mon-Fri at 8pm. All are welcome!

**Laghey Hall Upgrade:** We're grateful for new energy-efficient lights funded by the Department of Climate, Energy & Environment via Donegal County Council. New insulation, doors and windows are coming next under the same funding. Work is now underway on the Children's Play Area and Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) which will be a great asset.

**Holiday Bible Club:** Donegal Presbyterian Church 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> August. For all National School children including those starting in September. Book through this link: <https://form.jotform.com/251854117489365> or call Jean on 0864063823.

**Rossnowlagh Presbyterian Church:** Services take place on Sunday evenings at 7pm through July & August.

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