



Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey

24th August 2025 ~ The 10th Sunday after Trinity

Bible Reading for Today – Hebrews 12: 18-29

¹⁸ You have not come to a mountain that can be touched and that is burning with fire; to darkness, gloom and storm; ¹⁹ to a trumpet blast or to such a voice speaking words that those who heard it begged that no further word be spoken to them, ²⁰ because they could not bear what was commanded: 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it must be stoned to death.' ²¹ The sight was so terrifying that Moses said, 'I am trembling with fear.' ²² But you have come to Mount Zion, to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem. You have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, ²³ to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God, the Judge of all, to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴ to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. ²⁵ See to it that you do not refuse him who speaks. If they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, how much less will we, if we turn away from him who warns us from heaven?

Collect for Today

Let your merciful ears, O Lord be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Rector's Thoughts

This week's Scripture reading lifts our eyes from everyday things to eternal things. It invites us to see Christ in his glory and his Church in its magnificence. It also gives us a solemn warning of the need to respond rightly to God's word. I find this both challenging and encouraging – how about you?

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

🙏 Prayer Points 🙏

Pray for the challenging situations globally and locally. Also remember young people getting results or returning to school.

Announcements

Sunday Services: 24th Aug MP (LE,L,D); 31st Aug MP (K,L,D); 7th Sep HC (K,L,D); 14th Sep HC (LE), MP (L,D).

Heritage Open Day: Laghey Parish Church Sunday 24th August 2-6pm. Enjoy discovering our church's history & people! Self-guided tours, displays, record books, diocesan magazines etc. plus refreshments and activities for children. Please let the Rector know if you could [help on the day](#) – no prior knowledge needed!

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.

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

Big Restart 2025: Derry & Raphoe Youth day at Todds Leap Ballygawley, Co. Tyrone including team games, Total Wipeout and Splatmaster. Saturday 4th October 2025, 10am - 3pm, €25 per person participating. Speak to the rector.

Inver & Mountcharles Parish Waterbus Cruise: Sat 23rd August Boarding at 6.30pm. Tickets: €20 Contact 0877836620.

GriefShare: Support Group Thursdays at 7.30pm from 4th September for 13 weeks. Donegal Methodist Church hall led by Glenda and Rev. John. Cost €25. To book your place contact Rev. John (0831651943) or Glenda (0876418681).

Waterbus Outing in Memory of Karen Wray: Monday 8th September Boarding at 6.30pm Sailing at 7pm sharp. Finger Food, Music & Raffle on board. Tickets €25 In aid of St Luke's & Donegal Hospice. For more information: 0861541234.

Donna's Half Marathon: Donna Maskery is running in the Donegal Half Marathon in memory of her brother Aaron Scott and in aid of HUGG. To support, please visit <https://eventmaster.ie/fundraising/pages/DM01533705>.

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