



Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske and Laghey

14th Sept 2025 ~ The 13th Sunday after Trinity

Bible Reading for Today – Luke 15: 1-10

¹ Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. ² But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." ³ Then Jesus told them this parable:

⁴ "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? ⁵ And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders ⁶ and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbours together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.' ⁷ I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

⁸ "Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Doesn't she light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹ And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbours together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin.' ¹⁰ In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Collect for Today

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: Help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Rector's Thoughts

This week's reading has the famous parables of the lost sheep and lost coin. God cares for all and seeks out those who have become distanced from him.

Perhaps you could be a finder of lost sheep too? Is there anyone you could help bring back to God, through your prayers and gentle encouragement?

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

Give thanks for God's great kindness and pray for the least, the last and the lost. God loves all!

Online Services

Fri 1pm, Sun 12.00

Phone Service

074 9710199

Announcements

Sunday Services: 14th Sep HC (LE), MP (L,D); 21st Sept MP (K,L,D); 28th Sept HT (LE), FS (L,D); 5th Oct HC (K,L) HT (D).

Contemporary Worship: Donegal Meth Ch Sun 14th 7.30pm. **Sunday Schools:** Beginning 21st Sept Laghey & Donegal.

Harvest Thanksgiving Services & Preachers: Lough Eske: Monday 29th Sept 8pm, Mr Don Elliott. Donegal: Sunday 5th October 7.30pm, Canon Malcolm Kingston. Laghey: Friday 10th October 8pm, Ms Hannah O'Neill. Killymard: Friday 17th October 8pm, Rev Adrian Dorrian. Collection for Kondoa Diocese Tanzania. Please make a special effort to attend.

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. Good coffee and company.

Big Restart 2025: Derry & Raphoe Youth day Todds Leap Tyrone. Sat 4th Oct 2025 10am - 3pm €25. Book with Rector.

Ministry Student Placement: Joel Gillin is in our group of parishes 5th – 28th Sept. He's training for ordained ministry in the Church of England. He would welcome any invitations to coffee/lunch/tea/dinner! He'll be preaching on 21st Sept.

Laghey Development: Work is taking place on adjusting the layout of the car parks to facilitate safe vehicle access.

St Eunan's 1400th Anniversary Service: St Eunan's Cathedral, Raphoe Tuesday 23rd September at 7.00pm. Evening Prayer service with historical talk by archaeologist Dr Brian Lacey. A unique event worth making time for.

Vocations Sunday: On 21st September our services will have a particular focus on God's call to ministry of all kinds.

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