



# Parish Update

**Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske & Laghey**

**18<sup>th</sup> January 2026 ~ Second Sunday after Epiphany**

## In-Church Services this Sunday

9.30 Killymard (Holy Communion)  
10.45 Laghey (Morning Prayer)  
12.00 Donegal (Morning Prayer + Sunday School)

## Online Services (on Facebook)

Friday prayer time 1pm; Sunday service 12 noon

## Phone Service

Dial 074 9710199 from any phone at any time

## Bible Reading for Today – John 1: 35-42

<sup>35</sup> The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. <sup>36</sup> When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, 'Look, the Lamb of God!' <sup>37</sup> When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup> Turning round, Jesus saw them following and asked, 'What do you want?' They said, 'Rabbi' (which means 'Teacher'), 'where are you staying?' <sup>39</sup> 'Come,' he replied, 'and you will see.' So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon. <sup>40</sup> Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. <sup>41</sup> The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, 'We have found the Messiah' (that is, the Christ). <sup>42</sup> And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas' (which, when translated, is Peter).

## Collect for Today

Almighty God,  
in Christ you make all things new:  
Transform the poverty of our nature  
by the riches of your grace,  
and in the renewal of our lives  
make known your heavenly glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Prayer Points

- The task of bringing people to Jesus.
- Strength to carry each other's burdens.
  - Comfort for all who mourn.
- Religious freedom around the world.
  - Iran and especially the plight of Christians in that country.

## Announcements

**Sunday Services:** 18<sup>th</sup> Jan HC (K), MP (L,D); 25<sup>th</sup> Jan MP (LE), Family Service (L,D); 1<sup>st</sup> Feb HC (K,L,D); 8<sup>th</sup> Feb HC (LE), MP (K,D).

**Sunday Schools:** Laghey on the second & third Sunday of each month, Donegal first & third Sunday of each month in school term.

**The Mustard Seed:** Tea Room open Wed-Fri 10.30am–2pm.

**Late Night Café:** Now fortnightly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month @ Mustard Seed from 7pm.

**Bible Study:** Wednesday nights 8pm @ Mustard Seed, Thursday mornings 11am @ Presbyterian Hall, beginning 21<sup>st</sup> / 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan.

**Prayer Meeting:** Tuesday 3rd Feb 8-9pm at Donegal Church Hall.

**Acknowledgement:** Thank you to everyone for your kind support following the death of my father Dr Brian Huss on New Year's Eve. It means a great deal to my mother, to me and Bev and to all our family how kindly you have supported us by prayer, practical help, kind words, cards, messages, phone calls, attendance at the funeral, and in many other ways. Once again we are truly blessed to have you as more than simply parishioners: you are our friends and our second family in Christ and we are most grateful. Blessings,

*David.*

## Rector's Thoughts

Our motto verse this year is:

*"Carry each other's burdens,  
and in this way you will fulfil  
the law of Christ." Gal 6v2*

*We have been very aware of  
the truth of this verse over  
recent weeks (please see  
acknowledgement opposite).*

## Sunday Service Pattern

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

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