



# Parish Update

**Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske & Laghey**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> March 2026 ~ The Fifth Sunday in Lent**

## In-Church Services this Sunday

9.30 Lough Eske (Morning Prayer)  
10.45 Laghey (Morning Prayer)  
12.00 Donegal (Morning Prayer)

## 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 11:

*21 'Lord,' Martha said to Jesus, 'if you had been here, my brother would not have died. 22 But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask.' 23 Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.' 24 Martha answered, 'I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day.' 25 Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; 26 and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?' 27 'Yes, Lord,' she replied, 'I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world.'*

## Collect for Today

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: Grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross, we may triumph in the power of his victory. through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Announcements

**Sunday Services:** 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar MP (LE,L,D); 29<sup>th</sup> Mar Family Service\* (K,L,D); 5<sup>th</sup> Apr Easter HC (LE,K,L,D); 12<sup>th</sup> Apr MP (LE,L,D).

**\*Family Service for March:** is on Palm Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March.

**Sunday Schools:** Laghey & Donegal **2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>** Sunday of month.

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

**Late Night Café:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month from 7pm till late.

**Official Opening:** of Laghey Hall Playground & Garden by Minister Dara Calleary. Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 1.00pm. All welcome!

**Walk for Kondo:** Thanks to all who walked with the Bishop, kept him fed and watered, and gave donations. You can still give in church or at [justgiving.com/crowdfunding/derryraphoe-diocese](https://justgiving.com/crowdfunding/derryraphoe-diocese)

## Holy Week Joint Services in Donegal Town:

Holy Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 8pm Methodist Church (A McCullough)

Maundy Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 8pm Presbyterian Church (D Huss)

Good Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 11am Church of Ireland (J Montgomery)

**Good Friday evening:** 8pm @ Lough Eske with Bishop Andrew ☩

**Easter Day:** Dawn Service @ Old Abbey 6.30am. Holy Communion: 8.30am L Eske, 9.30am Killymard, 10.45am Laghey, 12.00 Donegal.

**Easter General Vestries:** Our AGMs, all at 8pm: L Eske Mon 13 Apr, Killymard Thu 16 Apr, Donegal Tue 21 Apr, Laghey Wed 22 Apr.

**Good News:** Why does the gospel matter today? Speaker Bishop Ken Clarke, Calry Parish Church Sligo Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm.

## Rector's Thoughts

*This Sunday we look at the story of Lazarus and his sisters Mary and Martha. Their encounters with Jesus teach us a lot about life, death, faith, sorrow & hope.*

*Easter is not far away now.*

*☞ Please see details in the announcements section.*

## 🙏 Prayer Points 🙏

Give thanks for all the good things we enjoy in this life. Count your blessings.

Pray about all the sad, difficult, worrying things we see too. Ask God's help.

Pray for all who are experiencing illness, loss and death, both here and abroad.

## 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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