



# Parish Update

**Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske & Laghey**  
**19<sup>th</sup> April 2026 ~ the Third Sunday of Easter**

## In-Church Services this Sunday

9.30	Killymard	(Morning Prayer)
10.45	Laghey	(Morning Prayer + Sunday School)
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 – 1 Peter 1: 17-23

<sup>17</sup> Since you call on a Father who judges each person's work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear. <sup>18</sup> For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, <sup>19</sup> but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. <sup>20</sup> He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. <sup>21</sup> Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God. <sup>22</sup> Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart. <sup>23</sup> For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.

## Collect for Today

*Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: Give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## Rector's Thoughts

*We have been saddened by several deaths in our parish over the last few weeks. In all our grief we hold on to the good news of the Resurrection. As Peter says in today's reading: "and so your faith and hope are in God."*

*David*

## Announcements

**Sunday Services:** 19<sup>th</sup> Apr MP (K,L,D); 26<sup>th</sup> Apr Family Service (LE,L,D); 3<sup>rd</sup> May HC (K,L,D); 10<sup>th</sup> May HC (LE) MP (L,D).

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

**The Mustard Seed:** 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. Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 'What is the Bible?' Interactive night from 8pm.

**Easter General Vestries:** Our AGMs, all at 8pm: Killymard Thu 16 Apr, Donegal Tue 21 Apr, Laghey Wed 22 Apr, L Eske Mon 27 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.

**Vintage Working Day:** Rosstown Sun 26<sup>th</sup> April 11am to 4pm. Adults €10. Supporting Donegal Hospice & Sligo Oncology.

**Rev Ivan Dinsmore:** Our prayers are with Ivan as he takes up the role as Minister of Convoy Group of Parishes, 7.30pm 24<sup>th</sup> April.

**Thank you:** To everyone who helped in any way with our special events and services over Holy Week and Easter. We appreciate it!

**Prayer Meeting:** Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April 8pm in Church Hall.

## Prayer Points

Praise God for the precious blood of Christ and new birth through the gospel.

Thank God for comfort in grief.

Pray for the bereaved, sick, and all affected by poverty and deprivation.

Pray for the leaders of all nations.

## 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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