



Parish Update

Donegal, Killymard, Lough Eske & Laghey

20th September 2026 ~ the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

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 – Matthew 20: 1-2, 8-14

¹ 'For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. ² He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard...

...⁸ 'When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first."

⁹ 'The workers who were hired about five in the afternoon came and each received a denarius. ¹⁰ So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. ¹¹ When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. ¹² "These who were hired last worked only one hour," they said, "and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day."

¹³ 'But he answered one of them, "I am not being unfair to you, friend. Didn't you agree to work for a denarius?" ¹⁴ Take your pay and go."

Collect for Today

O Lord, Hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Rector's Thoughts

This week our Lord has another parable with a surprising sting in the tail. It's all about favour and fairness and it turns out God doesn't calculate wages the same way we would...

Come along on Sunday to find out more about God's wonderful way of working.

David

Announcements

Sunday Services: 20 Sep MP (K,L,D); 27 Sep Family Service (LE,L,D).

Sunday Schools: Will re-start on 20th September at Laghey and Donegal. Sunday School is at the same time as morning service.

Derry & Raphoe Youth Service: Raphoe Cathedral 20th Sept 7pm.

The Mustard Seed: Open Wed-Fri 10.30am-2pm. Drop in for tea!

Bible Study: Wed 8pm M Seed & Thu 11am Presb, start 23rd Sept.

Alpha Courses x2: Weds 7.30pm John Bosco Centre from 30 Sept (run by Donegal Christian Fellowship). Tues at 7.30pm St Patrick's Parish Centre from 22 Sept (run by Tawnawilly RC Parish).

Walking Warriors: Walk & talk bereavement support Mondays 7.15pm @ Bosco from 21st Sept, tea after @ C of I Hall.

Harvest Dates: Lough Eske Mon 28th Sep 8pm, Donegal Sun 4th Oct 7.30pm, Laghey Fri 9th Oct 8pm, Killymard Fri 16th Oct 8pm.

David's Away Fixtures: I'll be preaching at Portsalon 20th Sept, Kiltreevogue 23rd Sept, Lissadell 27th Sept all 7pm. You're welcome!

Cake Sale: Donegal Church Hall 10th Oct, save the date!

Boys Brigade: Monday nights starting early Oct, full details soon.

Prayer Points

Thank God that his wisdom is higher and his grace is greater than ours.

Pray for situations where we need to show grace and generosity.

Remember all who are unwell, injured, troubled, bereaved, or in any distress.

Sunday Service Pattern

9.30	Killymard (1 st , 3 rd , 5 th Sunday)
	Lough Eske (2 nd & 4 th Sunday)
10.45	Laghey (every Sunday)
12.00	Donegal (every Sunday) +online*

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