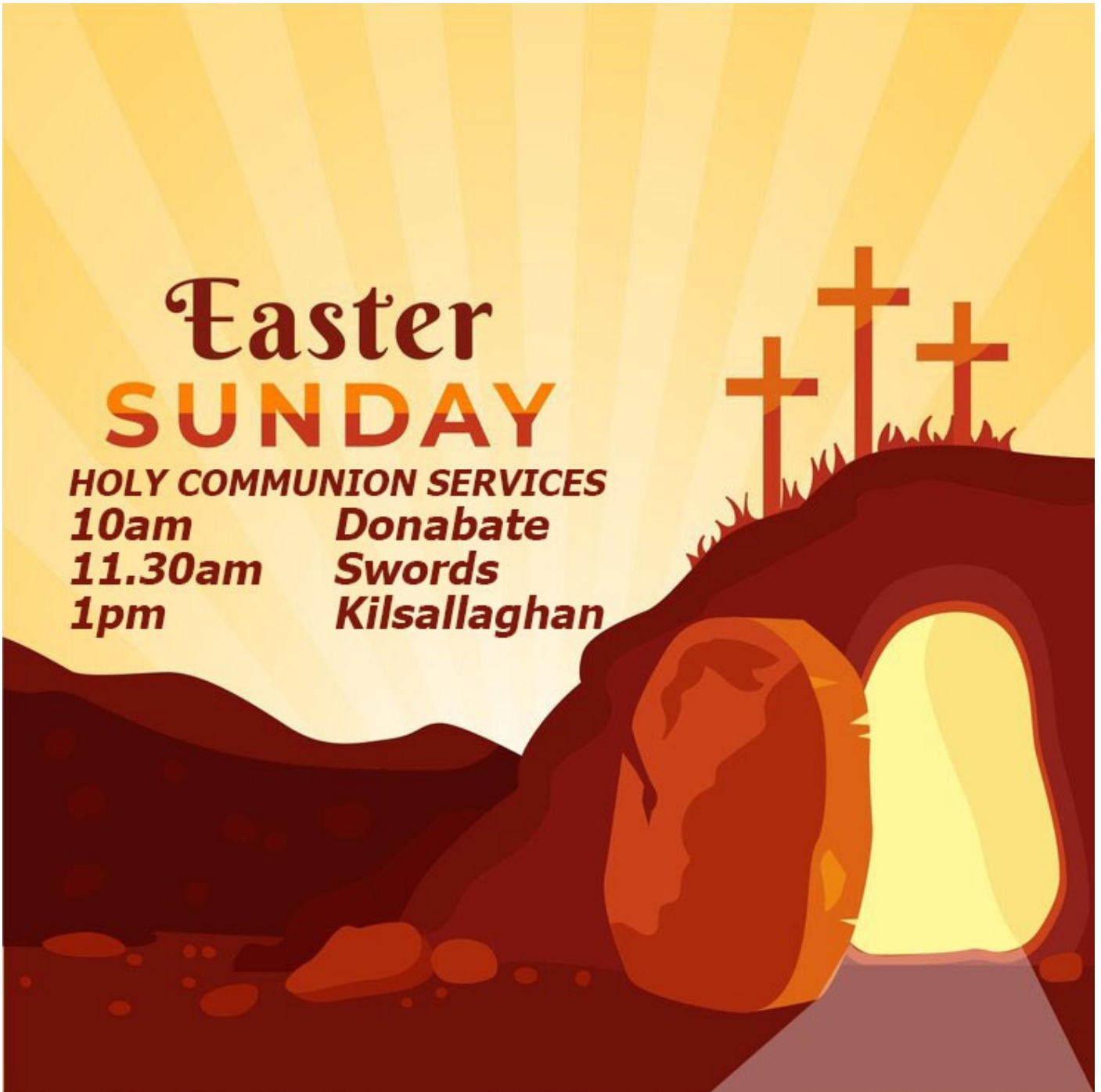


Parishes of Donabate and Lusk
with Swords Clonmethan & Kilsallaghan
Newsletter Easter 2024



Easter SUNDAY

HOLY COMMUNION SERVICES

10am Donabate

11.30am Swords

1pm Kilsallaghan

Saint Columba's Swords decorating the church for Easter

The decorating of the Church will take place on Saturday morning between 10.30am and 12 noon. All help and donations of flowers would be appreciated.

Special service for Good Friday

GOOD FRIDAY

SERVICE

*7.30pm 29th March
Saint Columba's Church Swords
led by Rev Yvonne Ginnelly
All welcome*

45th Co. Girls Brigade News



Caron Neale writes, "This year the 45th Co. Girls Brigade Swords/Donabate are celebrating 21 years since the company began in 2003 and also their 20th Annual Display.

The Captain, officers and leaders of the company would like to invite any past members of the 45th Co. to attend this display on Saturday 20th April 2024 in the Old Borough School Hall at 7pm.

We look forward to an enjoyable evening when the girls get to show off all they have learned over the past session."

Donabate & Lusk Easter General Vestry

The Donabate and Lusk parish's annual vestry will probably be held on April 17th. Please contact Brian Scott on 087 611 5174 to confirm or if you have any queries.

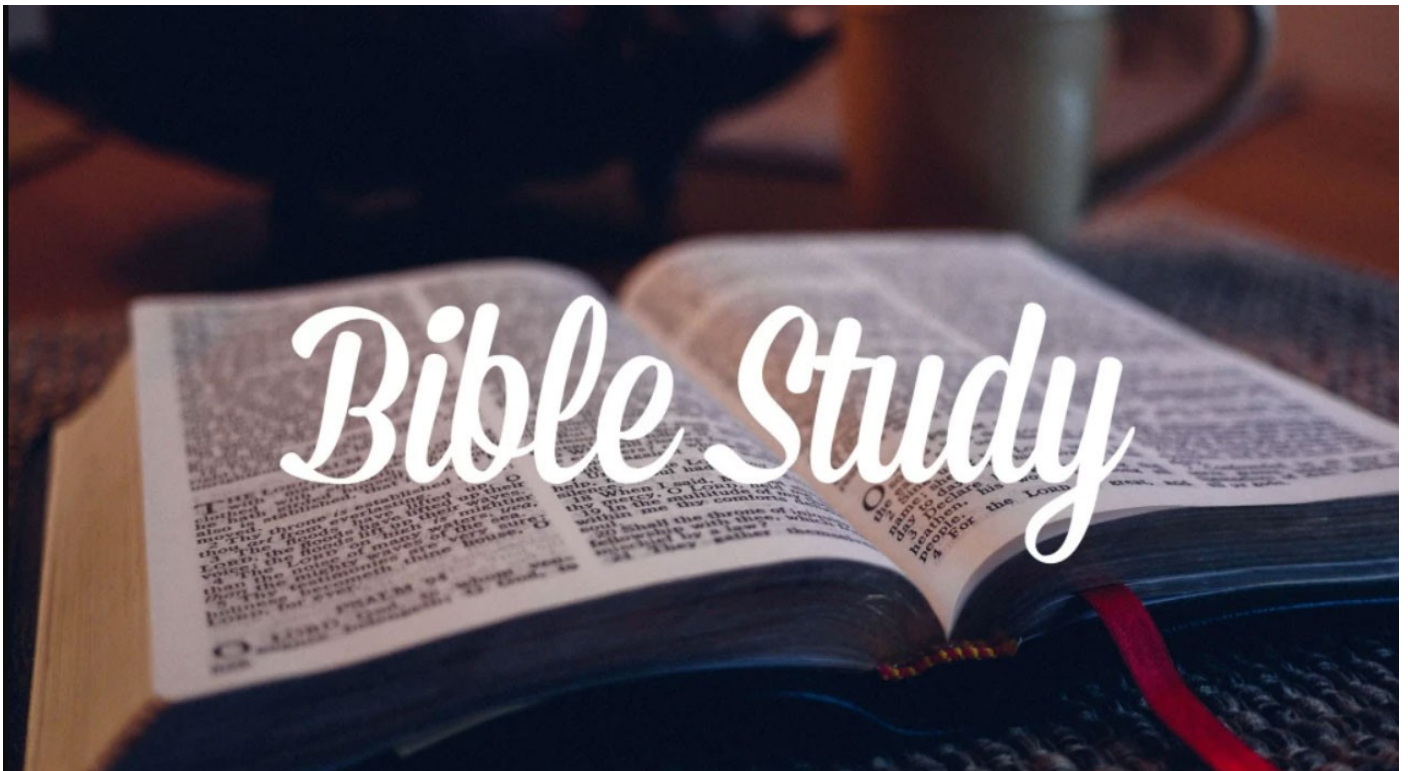
Climate Change and Our Communities

Mary Jones writes, "As you know I am championing local actions to support Biodiversity and Climate mitigation and adaptation. Please find the link below to The National Biodiversity Data Centre Website. This is specific for Church communities.

<https://pollinators.ie/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/Faith-Communities-Pollinator-Guidelines-2022-WEB.pdf>

I have adopted a patch in Portrane and registered for Pollinator Plan 2025, called Nature's Patch. It is in our estate and we are enjoying the process. It is also a way to support Heavy Gardening as an advocate for Every Move Counts."

WDP Update & Upcoming Bible Study



Thanks to all who took part in the World Day of Prayer events in our parishes. The Donabate & Lusk event organiser, Mary Jones, has forwarded the collection of 170 euros to WDP 2024, for allocation to a charity. She nominated The Irish Cancer Society, this year, as an option.

She is planning Bible study on the same topic in her home on Thursday the 18th of April. It will be 90 min engaging with the theme. "I beg you... bear with one another in love and unity." Please contact Mary on 087 154 2059 for full details. She wishes everyone the peace and joy of Easter.

Saint Patrick's Donabate Easter Egg Hunt 2024

Niall Minto writes, "Hard to believe that it is nearly Easter already, with the Christmas Tree still dangling out of the attic door. Our Sunday Club children were busy working away and preparing for the family service when they heard that the Easter Bunny had been spotted running around the church grounds. With great excitement, lessons were abandoned in favour of an Easter Egg hunt which turned out to be very fruitful (in the chocolatey sense). Sadly, all the chocolate had been collected by the time the congregation got out of church. Next year, they have asked for a shorter sermon!"





Church Services for the month ahead

March Friday 29th

7.30pm Swords Good Friday service

March Sunday 31st - Easter Day

10am Donabate Holy Communion

11.30am Swords Holy Communion

1pm Kilsallaghan Holy Communion

April Sunday 7th

10am Donabate Morning Prayer

11.30am Swords Family service

April Sunday 14th

10am Donabate Holy Communion

11.30am Swords Holy Communion

April Sunday 21st

10am Donabate Family service

11.30am Swords Morning Prayer

April Sunday 28th

10am Donabate Holy Communion

11.30am Swords Holy Communion

