**3rd Sunday of Easter 14th April 2024**

**Month’s Mind:** James O’Mahony, Ballybeg, Mass in Currow Church on Friday at 7.30pm.

Catherine Crowe, Killarney & Gortatlea.

**Anniversaries & Masses**

**Saturday 7.30pm Currow** Margaret Kelly Houlihan, Dromrue

**Sunday 10am Currans**  John Kerrisk & Cathy, Batt & Mike O’Rourke Counguilla

**Friday 7.30pm Currow** Peg O’Mahony Ballybeg

**Saturday 7.30pm Currow** Jack, Bridie & Eileen Griffin, Killeentierna

**Sunday 10am Currans** Fr. Miles Sheehan, Manchester & Kilsarcon

**Eucharistic Adoration** in Currow Parish Centre Tuesday from 1pm to 9pm and in Currans Church Thursday from 6-9pm.

**Trocaire Boxes: Please return your contribution as soon as possible.** Collection to date is €2,520.00, €600 of it sent by cheques directly to Trocaire.

**Offertory Collection** last weekend was €731.00. Thanks to all.

**Donate Button:** To make a payment or donation go to <https://www.dioceseofkerry.ie/parish/killeentierna> and click our donate button.

**Collectors for the month of April:** Currow Church, Michael Murphy & John Mannix.

Currans Church, Peter Gallagher & Kieran Scanlon.

From next weekend the Parish will revert to the old collection boxes, this change has been agreed by the Parish Finance and Pastoral Councils. We also need a few new collectors in both churches, if you would like to do it, please contact the Parish office.

**Diocesan Youth Week** begins Friday next 20th April and ends on Friday 26th April. This year’s theme is **Hope Alive**.

Throughout the Diocese of Kerry this week, we celebrate our young people, we celebrate their gifts, their talents, we celebrate what they bring to our faith communities. We also celebrate the fourth Sunday of Easter, a time of great joy and hope in the Church. Indeed, young people bring great joy and hope to everything so to celebrate them in the midst of the Easter season is appropriate. The theme for Youth Week echoes that of our Diocesan Mission last January; Hope Alive! At the United Nations International Youth Day last August, Pope Francis urged young people to ‘dream big and promote a culture of care,’ he also calls on our young people to ‘shine, to listen, and to be unafraid.’ In a divided and broken world, we must acknowledge that if young people can bring hope, promote a culture of care, dream big and be unafraid, anything is possible.

**Parish Safeguarding Audit:** The Diocesan Safeguarding Committee would like to thank all Parish Safeguarding Representatives, Priests, and Parish Secretaries for taking the time to complete the annual parish safeguarding audit. The results from the audit are included in the most recent safeguarding newsletter which is available on the diocesan website. It is particularly encouraging to see the increased number of youth-based ministries that are back up and running across the diocese. A special thank you to all involved in establishing these ministries.

**Sacrament of Marriage**

"The intimate community of life and love which constitutes the married state has been established by the Creator and endowed by him with its own proper laws.... God himself is the author of marriage. The vocation to marriage is written in the very nature of man and woman as they came from the hand of the Creator. Marriage is not a purely human institution despite the many variations it may have undergone through the centuries in different cultures, social structures, and spiritual attitudes. These differences should not cause us to forget its common and permanent characteristics. Although the dignity of this institution is not transparent everywhere with the same clarity, some sense of the greatness of the matrimonial union exists in all cultures. "The well-being of the individual person and of both human and Christian society is closely bound up with the healthy state of conjugal and family life. (Catechism of the Catholic Church Para 1603)

**Saints of the Week:**

**Thursday** St Laserian, bishop

**Community Notices**

**THE Kerry Choral Union Spring Concert in aid of Recovery Haven Kerry (cancer support house)**The concert will be at St. Brendan’s Church, Upper Rock Street, Tralee on Sunday 21st April at 7:30pm.Tickets €10 from the door and available also online: [https://register.enthuse.com/.../KerryChoralUnionSpringCo...](https://register.enthuse.com/ps/event/KerryChoralUnionSpringConcert2024?fbclid=IwAR0X8O_EJe09NxMcV_CyWUUtRMODZWORvkdGQ2aGgPJoI8YlY7OGoluWkSI_aem_AYj1uWAijZaeCjoXf1O51ac8KuHF6MpuljOFa658qEi44Qx2GnASLDRZ-dGQj_BEf1x72CE6GTHOVNHVjgKAjvGT)

**Poor Clare’s in Carlow** invite women from age 22 to 40 years for a cuppa and a chat to find out more about our life, on Saturday 4th May from 2.30 to 4.30. If interested, please contact us before the event. [poorclaresvoc@gmail.com](mailto:poorclaresvoc@gmail.com)

**County Clean-Up:** Currow Rural Development Group are inviting people to concentrate on roads nearest to where they live. Please return the litter pickers when finished so that others can avail of them. You can leave filled bags at crossroads and sides of roads at a safe point for KWD trucks to pick up in the days after the clean-up. Thanks to all, keep safe and be seen.