**4th Sunday of Easter Day of Prayer for Vocations 21st April 2024**

**Recent Deaths:** Con Daly late of Kilfalney, Currans & Cheshire. Funeral will take place

in England.

**Anniversaries & Masses**

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

**Sunday 10am Currans** Fr. Myles Sheahan, Manchester & Kilsarcon

**Friday 7.30pm Currow** Brendan Conroy, Dicksgrove

**Saturday 7.30pm Currow** Con O’Connor, Summerhill

**Sunday 10am Currans** Mary Griffin, Killeen

The **Sacrament of Confirmation** will take place in Currow Church on Friday 26th April at 11.30am.

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

**Offertory Collection** last weekend was €942. Thanks to all. **Offertory Collection:** From this 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 so, please contact Parish office.

**Trocaire collection** to dateamounts to €3,265. Thanks to all.

**Diocesan Collection for Peter’s Pence** will take place this weekend, envelopes available in both churches. **Donate Button:** To make a payment or donation go to <https://www.dioceseofkerry.ie/parish/killeentierna> and click our donate button.

**The Pure in Heart** are visiting Tralee during Youth Week. On Tuesday night April 23rd you are welcome to a talk in the Kerry Life and Family Resource Centre V92 W7PR, beginning at 7pm. On Wednesday April 24th there will be a Mass and talk in St. John's Church at 7pm followed by refreshments.

**Saints of the Week:**

**Tuesday**  St. George, soldier saint, martyred around 300A.D.

St. Adalbert, born 956 ADS, bishop of Prague & martyred in 997A.D.

**Wednesday**  St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, 1578-1622, Capuchin priest.

**Thursday** St. Mark, Evangelist.

**Saturday** St. Asicus, early Irish saint & bishop.

**Camino Walk:** Join the MSC Missions as they walk the shaded lanes and valleys of the **Camino Ingles** from Ferrol to Santiago in Northern Spain from the 29th of July to 5th August 2024.   For more details of this fundraising pilgrimage ring Mary at 021 454 6691 or email [mary.morrish@mscmissions.ie](mailto:mary.morrish@mscmissions.ie)

**The Sacrament of Marriage:** God who created man out of love also calls him to love the fundamental and innate vocation of every human being. For man is created in the image and likeness of God who is himself love. Since God created him man and woman, their mutual love becomes an image of the absolute and unfailing love with which God loves man. It is good, very good, in the Creator's eyes. and this love which God blesses is intended to be fruitful and to be realized in the common work of watching over creation: "and God blessed them, and God said to them: 'Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it.”

Holy Scripture affirms that man and woman were created for one another: "It is not good that the man should be alone." The woman, "flesh of his flesh," i.e., his counterpart, his equal, his nearest in all things, is given to him by God as a "helpmate"; she thus represents God from whom comes our help. "Therefore, a man leaves his father and his mother and cleaves to his wife, and they become one flesh." The Lord himself shows that this signifies an unbreakable union of their two lives by recalling what the plan of the Creator had been "in the beginning": "So they are no longer two, but one flesh.”

(Catechism of the Catholic Church Para 1604 & 1605)

**Community Notices**

**The Drumm Cup Cycle** race will take place this Sunday 21st April. Underage racing starting from 10.30am at Dicksgrove Cross, Metal bridge route. Senior racing starting from 12.30pm on the Dromulton, Davy Roches cross, Castleisland, Currow route. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

**A Free Health Awareness** event for older people in conjunction with the HSE and Older Persons groups will take place on the 15th May in the Rose Hotel, Tralee from 10 am to 2pm. Information talks from Geriatrician, Dietician, Pharmacist, Physiotherapists and much more along with Various Information Stands. For further information 0667104830.

**The Poor Clare’s in Galway** are hosting an online Q&A for young women who would like to know more about the Poor Clare way of life. The event will take place from 7-8:30pm on Wednesday, May 1st For more information contact  [*vocations@poorclares.ie*](mailto:vocations@poorclares.ie) 

**Prayer for Vocations** Loving and Generous God, it is You who call us by name **and** ask us to follow you. Help us to grow in the Love and service of our Church as we experience it today. Give us the energy and courage of Your Spirit to shape its future. Grant us faith-filled leaders who will embrace Christ’s Mission of love and justice. Bless the Church by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve Your people as Sisters, Priests, Brothers, Permanent Deacons and Lay Ministers. Inspire us to know You better and open our hearts to hear Your call. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. **(Diocese of Down and Connor 2022)**