

Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, 06th April 2014

☒ Sunday, April 06th <i>Fifth Sunday of Lent</i>	Mass in Dunhill Church at 9.30 a.m.
Monday, April 07th <i>St John Baptist de la Salle, Priest</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday, April 08th	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Wednesday, April 09th <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m. <i>Dunhill Church from 11.00 a.m. until 12 noon</i>
Thursday, April 10th	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Friday, April 11th – St Stanislaus <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m. <i>Fenor Church from 11.00 a.m. until 12 noon</i>
Saturday, April 12th	Mass in Fenor Church at 6.00 p.m.

- A **Community Care** get-together will take place in the Dunhill Multi-Education Centre today (Sunday), April 6th, from 3.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. During the afternoon Julian Walton will give a talk on local history and refreshments will also be served. All are welcome.
- Congratulations to the boys and girls of the parish who received the **Sacrament of Confirmation** in Fenor Church on Tuesday. We are very grateful to Canon Michael Cullinan, V.F. for confirming our young people in the faith. We hope that the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit will be very much in evidence in their lives in the future.
- This Monday, will mark the **20th anniversary** of the start of one of the most horrific events in modern history. Over the course of just 100 days in 1994, around one million people were killed in the Rwandan genocide - more than a fifth of Ireland's population. Irish people donated £6m to Trócaire's emergency appeal for Rwanda. This was, at the time, the largest public donation in the history of the organisation. Trócaire continues to work in Rwanda on your behalf, helping to improve the lives of the most vulnerable people. Thank you for continuing to support Trócaire's work, particularly during this Lenten season.
- During Lent, as part of our Wednesday Communion Service, we will celebrate the **Stations of the Cross** each Wednesday starting at 10.45 a.m. Why not make an effort to join us for this prayer time?
- The Dunhill Multi Education Centre will host a **Coffee Morning** with lots of delicious cakes for 'The Great Irish Bake for Temple Street' on Wednesday, April 9th at 11.00 a.m. All donations will go to this very worthy cause. So come along and bring a friend or two.
- There will be an **Easter Bingo special** on Friday April 25th in Fenor National School Hall. Full details to follow.
- **Fenor Lourdes Fund** Committee are inviting anybody wishing to have their name included for selection as an invalid, a pilgrim, a helper, or a youth worker to contact Paul Lynch on 330636, Mary Murphy on 386685 or leave details at the sacristy. The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place from June 06th to June 11th this year.
- A **National Vigil for Life** takes place on Saturday May 3rd at Our Lady's Shrine, Knock, Co. Mayo. The Fine Gael Party promised voters they would not legalise abortion. They broke that promise. The pro-life movement gave a commitment that it would not sit back and accept this new law. The National Vigil on 3rd May is a clear sign that we will not be breaking our promise. The Government would love to think that the pro-life movement is yesterday's news, a spent force, and that we no longer represent a significant voice in Irish society. We will have an opportunity to show that, far from losing heart, we are more committed than ever. In introducing abortion the Government knew exactly what it was doing and that there was no medical or legal necessity for it. Each one of us has to decide whether to sit this one out or step up to the mark and join the pro-life fight back. Political promise-breaking and groupthink in politics and the media are two of the most damaging aspects of public life in Ireland today. They have to be challenged. For more information visit www.chooselife2014.ie or www.catholicbishops.ie
- **Questions people ask** – Fr Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap. Email silvesteroflynn80@gmail.com
Question: What is the meaning of Alleluia? **Answer:** Alleluia is a great shout of joy to God. During the penitential season of Lent it is dropped from the Church's prayer but returns to dominate Easter's prayers. Let us break up the word to analyse its meaning. The centre of the word is EL, the Hebrew word for God. Before and after EL we have a great release of energy with AL saluting God and a mighty shout of UIA (YA) to proclaim our joy at the resurrection of the Lord. It was when I heard what the commentator called the Clare shout in Croke Park that I discovered the primal joy of alleluia. Let it rip this Easter! The Lord is risen, Alleluia!
- Last week's **Parish Collection**: Masses €412.85 & Envelopes €508.40 Thank you for your continued support.