

Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, May 16th, 2010

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| ☒ Sunday, May 16th <i>Feast of the Ascension of the Lord</i> | Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m. Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m. |
| Monday, May 17th | Both churches at 10.00 a.m. |
| Tuesday, May 18th | Both churches at 10.00 a.m. |
| Wednesday, May 19th <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> | Both churches at 10.00 a.m. <i>Dunhill Church from after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 1.00 p.m.</i> |
| Thursday, May 20th | Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m. |
| Friday, May 21st <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> | Both churches at 10.00 a.m. <i>Fenor Church from after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 1.00 p.m.</i> |
| Saturday, May 22nd | First Holy Communion Mass in Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m. Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m. |

- The boys and girls of second class in Fenor National School were thrilled to receive their **First Holy Communion** this weekend; next weekend the children of second class in Dunhill National School will share in that joy. Please remember them all in your prayers and encourage them to come often to receive Jesus in Holy Communion.
- The **Annual Collection for the Retired Priests' Fund** will be taken up in both churches next weekend. There is a yellow envelope in your box of envelopes at home for this purpose. Each parish in the diocese must pay €2,000 annually, per priest working in the parish, as a contribution to the support of the retired priests of the diocese. We are delighted to have Fr Purcell celebrating weekday Masses in this parish, though fully retired, and thank him sincerely for his presence and ministry among us. Please give as generously as you can to next week's collection.
- There will be **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** in both churches this week. Remember that our time for Adoration in Dunhill has been brought forward to Wednesday mornings so we will have Adoration in Dunhill every Wednesday from after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 1.00 p.m. and in Fenor every Friday from after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 1.00 p.m. Feel free to drop in at any stage for some quiet prayer.
- We are delighted to welcome the **St Otteran's Pastoral Area Choir** to sing at the 11.00 a.m. Mass in Dunhill next Sunday, Pentecost Day. The choir is formed from members of the various church choirs of our Pastoral Area and are well worth hearing. We expect that they will also sing at Mass in Fenor Church in the near future.
- The monthly **Seniors' Coffee Morning** will take place in the Dunhill Multi Education Centre this Wednesday, May 19th, at 11.00 a.m. The guest speaker will be Bill Murphy, a local story teller, who will talk about 'Castletown School & Tramore in the 30's and 40's'. Admission is €5.00 to cover the cost of refreshments and, although a Seniors' Coffee Morning, everybody, of any age, is welcome.
- Some parishioners may have noticed the work which has been carried out on the priests' graves in Dunhill last week. The headstones had deteriorated badly and have now been refreshed and cleaned. There is more **work to be carried out in both cemeteries** in the coming weeks. Thank you for your contribution to the weekly basket and envelope collections which enables this work to be done.
- The **Parish Collection** last week totalled: Masses €417.12 & Envelopes €674.90. Thank you for your contribution.
- The Parish Pastoral Council has decided to hold a summer **Parish Pilgrimage** this year and has organised a day-trip to Mount Melleray Abbey, near Cappoquin in County Waterford, on Sunday, June 06th. The plan is to arrive in the monastery at 3.30 p.m. where we will be met by one of the Cistercian Monks who will speak to us and show us an audio/visual presentation on the monastery and the life of the monks. There will be an opportunity for browsing in the gift shop and/or spending time in the coffee shop before joining the monks for Vespers (Evening Prayers) and a short period of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament as it is the Feast of the Body and Blood of the Lord (Corpus Christi). We expect to leave the monastery about 6.30 p.m. A bus will be provided at a nominal charge if needed so to help us confirm numbers please fill in the details below and return to the sacristy by next weekend or contact Julianna at 051-396838. Bus tickets can be obtained from Julianna when numbers are finalised.

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I/We hope to join the pilgrimage to Mount Melleray on June 06th. Please tick ✓ the box as appropriate:

Name: _____ I/We will travel by car. (number) _____

Contact number: _____ I/We require (number) _____ seat(s) on the bus.