Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, 17th October 2010 www.dunhillandfenorparish.ie

▼ Sunday, October 17th

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

Monday, October 18th Tuesday, October 19th

Wednesday, October 20th

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, October 21st Friday, October 22nd

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, October 23rd

Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m.

Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m.

Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m.

Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m. Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m.

Dunhill Church from after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 1.00 p.m.

Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.

Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m.

Fenor Church from after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 12.00 noon

Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m.

• There will **be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** in Dunhill Church this coming Wednesday from after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 1.00 p.m. and in Fenor Church on Friday from after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 12.00 noon.

• Over the next few weekends the <u>Parish Pastoral Council</u> (PPC) will be distributing nomination forms for new members of the council. A PPC is essentially a visionary body that plans for the future needs of the parish. Rather than simply dealing with issues as they arise, the PPC looks ahead and creates the structures needed for a well run parish, encourages parishioners to participate in those structures, and provides them with any training or facilities that they might require. The PPC is a consultative body – its purpose is not to run the parish but to assist and advise the priest in his pastoral duties. The work that our PPC has been responsible for includes: Regular Newsletters and parish website at www.dunhillandfenorparish.ie, Baptismal Team set up and trained, Child Protection Policy implemented, and Parish Pilgrimage to Mount Melleray organised.

A parish meeting will be held on *Tuesday, 02nd November, in the Dunhill Education Centre at 8.00 p.m.* At this meeting the purpose of the PPC and the role of its members will be explained. Every parishioner is invited to nominate one or more persons, including themselves, for council membership. In any case, everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend the meeting. Nomination forms are available in both churches.

- The Annual Collection for the Propagation of the Faith will be taken up at all Masses next weekend (23rd & 24th October), which is Mission Sunday. The theme for Mission Sunday this year is "Together in Mission". This togetherness found a deep resonance during Mission Month last year when we were praying for the safety and speedy release of Fr. Michael Sinnott, the Columban Missionary who had been kidnapped in mission. "The outpouring of prayers, Masses, vigils, Holy Hours and other religious services offered for me while I was in captivity are an example of what lay people can do to support our missionary work" wrote Fr. Mick. In his letter for Mission Sunday this year, Pope Benedict XVI wrote, "Please support the Younger Churches by your prayers. In spite of present economic difficulties, please also give them material support. The Mission Sunday collection organised by the Pontifical Mission Societies to whom I express my gratitude, will go towards the support of priests, seminarians, religious and catechists in distant missionary lands". Envelopes for this collection are available in your envelope box at home so please give as generously as you can.
- Congratulations to our neighbouring parish of Tramore and Carbally on the <u>150th Anniversary of Holy Cross</u> <u>Church</u>, Tramore, which is being celebrated this week. We extend our prayers and good wishes for the future.
- Dunhill Multi Education Centre will hold our usual <u>Coffee Morning for Seniors</u> this Wednesday, 20th October, at 11.00 a.m. This month's guest speaker is story teller Mr. John Hannigan. Admission is €5.00. See you there!
- Dunhill Multi Education Centre has a limited number of places available for the following courses: **Desktop Publishing**, commencing 26th October and **Christmas Flower Arranging**, commencing 24th November. To book your place, please contact the centre on 051-396934.
- Questions people ask by Fr Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap. Email: silvesteroflynn@gmail.com

Question: If God can read our inmost hearts and already knows our thoughts, why must we use words to pray? Answer: God does not need our words but in many instances it's we who need words to focus our attention, to clarify our thoughts and help us to persevere. The effort to find our own words, or using prayers known by heart or prayers such as the Psalms or the Lord's Prayer draw us into the world of prayer. Words are not always needed and may even get in the way of silent pondering. Saint Paul wrote that the Spirit within us can express our pleas in ways that could never be put into words (Romans 8:26).

• Last week's **Parish Collection**: Masses €531.62 & Envelopes €572.60. Thank you for your continued support.