Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, 23rd January 2011

▼ Sunday, January 23 rd	Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m.
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m.
Monday, January 24 th	Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday, January 25 th	Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m.
Wednesday, January 26 th	Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Dunhill Church from after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 12.00 noon
Thursday, January 27 th	Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
Friday, January 28 th	Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Fenor Church from after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 12.00 noon
Saturday, January 29 th	Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m.

- There will be <u>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</u> in Dunhill Church on Wednesday from after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 12.00 noon and in Fenor Church on Friday from after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 12.00 noon.
- The rescheduled <u>Annual Community Care Christmas Party</u> will now take place on Sunday, February 06th, in the G.A.A. Centre, Dunhill. It is always a great occasion when the seniors in our community come together and enjoy great food, music, and craic. We hope that all the usual volunteers will help and new volunteers are welcome too.
- We would very much welcome anyone who is interested in helping with the **arrangement of flowers in Dunhill** Church to contact the parish office on 051-396892. It would be wonderful to have a few people who could take it in turns. We would also like to say a huge thank you to those who have been arranging the flowers in both churches and who are so dedicated to the task throughout the year.
- The <u>Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults</u> (RCIA) is the programme used by adults and teenagers who are preparing for Baptism. There hasn't been much need for the RCIA programme in Ireland in the past but it is becoming more and more necessary as people asking for Baptism are now often in their teenage years or older. A training day for those interested in assisting others to know more about their faith will be held at St John's Pastoral Centre, John's Hill, Waterford, on Saturday, January 29th, at 10.00 a.m. The facilitator will be Ann Francis and her team from the Dioceses of Cork & Ross. Further information from the Pastoral Centre at 051-874199.
- The 53rd Annual <u>Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes</u> takes place this year from Monday June 06th to Saturday June 11th. This year's pilgrim fare is €695. For pilgrim information and bookings please contact the Pilgrimage Office, St. John's Pastoral Centre, John's Hill, Waterford. Tel: 051-878900. If you are unwell and are interested in going to Lourdes, please contact Sean Dunphy, Cuisle Ceoil, Dunmore Road, Waterford. Tel: 051-873629
- The **Dunhill Lourdes Fund Committee** would also like to hear from anyone wishing to have their name put forward for selection to travel with the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes as a pilgrim, a helper or a youth worker. Names can be given at the sacristy or to any committee member.
- Anyone interested in the **Parish Pilgrimage to Rome** this summer is invited to leave their name and contact details at the sacristy or to contact the parish office on 051-396892 (Monday, Wednesday & Friday, 9.00 3.00 p.m.)
- The Julian Walton Winter Lecture Series continues this Thursday, January 27th, at the Dunhill Multi Education Centre at 8.00 p.m. Admission is only €7 and includes refreshments. This week's lecture will be given by Kevin McCarthy on the topic 'Ireland's Battle for Olympic identity, 1896-1920'. See you there!
- A full schedule of courses at **Dunhill Multi Education Centre** will have new courses starting for Spring/Summer 2011. A full schedule will be available soon on www.dunhilleducation.com or by calling 051-396934.
- **Friday Penance**: This Friday why not abstain from meat or some other food?
- **<u>Questions people ask</u>** Fr Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap. Email silvesteroflynn@gmail.com

Question: I have recently returned to Mass and want to get more understanding. What is the plan for selecting the Gospels for Sunday Mass?

Answer: The four Gospels are spread over a three year plan. Matthew, Mark and Luke each have a year devoted to them. There are sections from John in each cycle, especially between Easter and Pentecost. This year concentrates on Matthew, a Gospel notable for the amount of Jesus' teaching it contains. Especially important is the Sermon on the Mount, Chapters 5-7. It is there, more than anywhere else, that we read the charter of God for society. We are challenged to imitate the unconditional love of God the Father.

• Last week's Parish Collection: Masses €466.57 & Envelopes €652.00. Thank you for your continued support.