

✘ <b>Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup></b> <i>First Sunday of Lent</i>	Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m. Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m.
<b>Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup></b>	Both churches at 10.00 a.m.
<b>Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup></b>	Both churches at 10.00 a.m.
<b>Wednesday, March 16<sup>th</sup></b> <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 12.00 noon</i> Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m. (Vigil for St Patrick's Day)
✘ <b>Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup></b> <i>St Patrick's Day</i>	Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m. Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m.
<b>Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> <i>Stations of the Cross</i>	Both churches at 10.00 a.m. <i>Fenor Church from after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 12.00 noon</i> <i>Fenor Church at 7.30 p.m.</i>
<b>Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup></b>	Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m.

- We have made available some copies of the very popular booklet '**Walk with Me – A Lenten Journey of Prayer for 2011**' in both churches at a cost of €1.30 each. It's a wonderful help to prayer during the Lenten season.
- On this first Sunday in Lent Trócaire is asking people to stand in solidarity with those in the developing world who are living in fear and in danger simply because they are poor. Please take a **Trócaire Box** home with you today and remember the world's poor this Lent. For more information on the campaign visit [www.trocaire.org/lent](http://www.trocaire.org/lent)
- During Lent, as part of our Friday Pences, we will celebrate the **Stations of the Cross** each Friday. This Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, we will pray in Fenor Church at 7.30 p.m. Why not make an effort to join us for this prayer time?
- **Friday Penance:** Making a special effort to participate in Mass on Fridays.
- The Parish Pastoral Council has organised a raffle to raise the final funds required for the purchase of the two **defibrillators** for the community. Tickets are €2 each and can be purchased from any member of the Council and are also available from the Parish Office, Harney's, The Copper Hen and Mother McHugh's. It is hoped to have the defibrillators in place very soon and a further training session will take place for anyone wishing to train.
- Our **Parish Pilgrimage to Rome** has been organised for Monday afternoon, May 23<sup>rd</sup> to Friday evening, May 27<sup>th</sup> and costs €625 per person sharing. Joe Walsh Tours operates this tour. License Number T.O. 052. For booking forms please contact the parish office on 051-396892 (Monday, Wednesday & Friday, 9.00 – 3.00 p.m.) €200 deposit payable on booking with remainder payable eight weeks prior to departure.
- The monthly **Seniors' Coffee Morning** will take place in the Dunhill-Multi Education Centre on Wednesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, at 11.00 a.m. Our guest speaker this month is Msgr. Michael Olden on "The Early Church in Ireland". Admission is €5.00 to cover the cost of refreshments. Please come along and bring a friend! All are welcome.
- The **Julian Walton's lectures** will continue at the Dunhill Multi-Education Centre on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> March, when Julian will speak on "Some Maritime Disasters of the Waterford Coast".
- Don't forget to return your envelopes for the **Far East Magazine** if you would like to support the work of the Columban Missionaries. Fr Bernard Steed, who was with us recently, is extremely grateful for your support.
- Thanks to all who supported the **Lenten Stations** collection last weekend. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.
- Thanks to all who joined us for our Coffee Morning and our Youth Pancake Party on **Shrove Tuesday** and thanks to all who organised and facilitated the gatherings for us.
- The boys and girls who are preparing for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** made their Commitment at Mass last Sunday. This week they will participate in a religious retreat to help them understand more about the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit. Confirmation will be celebrated in Dunhill Church this year on Tuesday, April 05<sup>th</sup>.
- **Questions people ask** - Email [silvesteroflynn@gmail.com](mailto:silvesteroflynn@gmail.com)  
Q. Giving up something for Lent is good but what might I do to make Lent have a deeper impact on my life?  
A. Lent begins with Jesus rejecting the temptations that would lead him away from his mission. We should try to identify how we are being misled from our true calling. Three questions come to mind. Am I too concerned about material things and trivialities which really do not matter? Am I too self-centred and unresponsive to others? Am I really serious about my relationship with God? 'You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'
- Last week's **Parish Collection:** Masses €652.45 & Envelopes €749.63. Thank you for your continued support.