Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, 10th April 2011

♥ Sunday, April 10 th	Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m.
Fifth Sunday of Lent	Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m. (Funeral: Alice Skehan RIP)
Monday, April 11 th	Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday, April 12 th	Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m.
Wednesday, April 13 th	Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Dunhill Church from after10.00 a.m. Mass until 12.00 noon
Thursday, April 14 th	Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
Friday, April 15 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
Stations of the Cross	Fenor Church at 7.30 p.m.
Saturday, April 16 th (Palm Sunday Mass)	Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m.

- Congratulations to the boys and girls of the parish who received the <u>Sacrament of Confirmation</u> in Dunhill Church last Tuesday. Unfortunately Bishop Lee was ill and could not be with us but we are very grateful to Monsignor Michael Olden for deputising for him and 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 months and years ahead.
- The children who are preparing to receive Holy Communion will celebrate their First Confession this Monday evening at 7.00 p.m. in Dunhill Church and their parents will also have an opportunity for confession during the ceremony. Other parishioners are also welcome. Their next **Do This in Memory Mass** will be celebrated in Fenor Church at 6.30p.m. next Saturday evening, April 16th, which is the Vigil of Palm Sunday.
- We will have a <u>Reconciliation Service</u> for the parish on the Monday of Holy Week, April 18th, in Fenor Church at 7.30 p.m. and in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, the following night. Pope Benedict has commended regular Confession to all of us so please make a special effort to attend. We will have visiting priests available to help out.
- During Lent, as part of our Friday Penances, we will celebrate the <u>Stations of the Cross</u> each Friday. This Friday, April 15th, we will pray in Fenor Church at 7.30 p.m. Why not make an effort to join us for this prayer time?
- On this fifth Sunday in Lent we pray for Trócaire's partners and missionaries in the poorest parts of the world. Their work ensures that the weakest and most vulnerable people are given a voice and hope for a better life. <u>Trócaire's Lenten campaign</u> raises money to support the work of these partners so that many more poor people can be helped. For more information on the campaign visit www.trocaire.org/lent
- The 2010 <u>Public Annual General Meeting of DFBA</u> Community Enterprises Ltd is set for this Wednesday, 13th April, at 8.00 p.m. in the Education Centre. EVERYONE is welcome as updates will be given on a number of community projects. An interesting meeting which includes refreshments is planned.
- The annual <u>clean-up of Ballyscanlon</u> and all roads leading to Fenor will take place next Saturday, 16th April, beginning at 10.00 a.m. The meeting place is the car park at Ballyscanlon Woods. Please come and help.
- **Questions people ask** Email silvesteroflynn@gmail.com
- Q. Lazarus was dead for four days before Jesus woke him from the dead. Where was his spirit for that period? Did he face his judgement after death? A. We really do not know. Physical death is pronounced when the vital organs cease to function and can no longer support life. However, the departure of the spirit on its final journey towards the revealing light of God's glory may not happen immediately. That is why the Church recommends prayers of absolution over somebody pronounced dead. The reason underlying the traditional wake is to accompany the departing spirit on its journey from this life. Many of those who had near death experiences tell of being on a journey towards a great light. Perhaps we might say of Lazarus that he was dead but not yet departed.
- Cuidiu Waterford's third annual fundraising <u>Nearly New Sale</u> of baby, toddler and kids' items (including nursery equipment and toys) takes place from 1.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. on Sunday, 10th April, in the Woodlands Hotel, Dunmore Road, Waterford. This a unique event organised on a voluntary basis by local mothers who are members of the registered charity *Cuidiú-Irish Childbirth Trust*, a volunteer-run, parent-to-parent group serving Waterford city, county, South Kilkenny and Tipperary. While this is a fundraising event for the charity, the other important aim for the organisers is to provide as many parents as possible a way to save as much as they can on items that can cost a fortune to buy new. Google the event at: Waterford nearly new sale
- Last week's Parish Collection: Masses €574.97 & Envelopes €967.90. Thank you for your continued support.