

Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, August 14th, 2011 www.dunhillandfenorparish.ie

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| ☒ Sunday, August 14th 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m. Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m. |
| ☒ Monday, August 15th <i>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> | Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m. Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m. |
| Tuesday, August 16th | Holy Cross Church, Tramore at 10.00 a.m. |
| Wednesday, August 17th <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> | Holy Cross Church, Tramore at 10.00 a.m. <i>Dunhill Church from 11.00 a.m. until 12.00 noon</i> |
| Thursday, August 18th | Holy Cross Church, Tramore at 10.00 a.m. |
| Friday, August 19th <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> | Holy Cross Church, Tramore at 10.00 a.m. <i>Fenor Church from 10.30 a.m. until 12.00 noon</i> |
| Saturday, August 20th | Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m. |

- Monday, August 15th, is the **Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** into Heaven and it is a holyday of obligation. Masses for the holyday will be celebrated at 11.00 a.m. in Dunhill and 6.30 p.m. in Fenor.
- Thanks to all who joined us for the **Annual Cemetery Mass** in Dunhill on Tuesday evening, and to those who provided the refreshments for everybody afterwards. Thanks also to those who put so much effort into tidying up and beautifying graves in both cemeteries over the past few weeks. The **Annual Graveyard Collection** to help with the upkeep of both cemeteries is being taken up this weekend. Thank you for your contributions.
- Best wishes to all the young people of the parish who will receive their **Leaving Certificate results** this week.
- The 26th **World Youth Day** (WYD) is taking place this week in Madrid, Spain, where it is estimated that over one million young people will travel to meet with Pope Benedict XVI. Started in 1985 by Pope John Paul II, the WYD has been held most recently in Rome 2000, Toronto 2002, Cologne 2005, and Sydney 2008. The programme of events is always similar. After a huge opening ceremony, the young pilgrims have a daily programme consisting of Mass and talks given by bishops and Cardinals on a particular theme. The theme this year is taken from the writings of St Paul – “Planted and built up in Jesus Christ, firm in the faith”. Each afternoon, a festival of faith takes place, consisting of a variety of music, dance, meditation, talks and faith opportunities. Next Friday there is a Stations of the Cross in the streets of Madrid and then on Saturday the Pope will hold a vigil of prayer with young people, followed by an overnight camp under the stars and morning Mass on Sunday. 1,700 young Irish people are making the trip to Madrid for World Youth Day, including a group of 16 who will officially represent Waterford and Lismore. The young people come from a variety of parishes in the diocese and *Dunhill & Fenor is being represented by Damien Murray, and Fr Paul who is the Pilgrimage Director.* Several preparatory meetings have already taken place so please pray for our young people this week and for the young people from all over the world who are making this pilgrimage. We hope that it will be a time of faith renewal and spiritual rejuvenation for them. Follow the events at www.madrid11.com or through EWTN on your television.
- A Remembrance Mass for those who died in the **Union Workhouse**, Kilmacthomas, will be celebrated on Wednesday, August 24th, at 7.30 p.m. The Chief Celebrant of this open-air Mass on the grounds of the workhouse will be the Right Revd Monsignor Nicholas O’Mahony, P.P., V.G. Everybody is welcome to attend.
- The **Carriglea Cáirde Services** Fundraising Committee will hold a Church Gate Collection at Dunhill and Fenor Churches next weekend *after each Mass*. The organisation provides services for the mentally handicapped.
- The **National Public Novena in honour of Our Lady of Knock** takes place from August 14th to 22nd at Our Lady’s Shrine, Knock, Co. Mayo. Celebrations will be held at 3.00 p.m. and at 8.30 p.m. each day, on the theme “Faith, Providence and Action”. Full details can be found on the Shrine website: www.knock-shrine.ie.
- Questions people ask** – *Fr Silvester O’Flynn OFM Cap Email silvesteroflynn@gmail.com*
Q. Was there any message from Our Lady to the visionaries at Knock? **A.** No words were spoken but the silent vision contained a most profound message. Mary is not at the focal point of the vision but she is drawing our attention to the Lamb standing on the altar, beneath the cross. Between Mary and the altar, Saint John holds open the book of scripture, representing the liturgy of the word at the start of Mass. The surrounding angels are a reminder that at Mass we are already participating in the perfect glorification of the Father. The message of Knock is to contemplate the wonder of the Mass.
- Last week’s **Parish Collection**: Masses €483.06 & Envelopes €470.50. Thank you for your continued support.