

Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, August 21st, 2011 www.dunhillandfenorparish.ie

☒ Sunday, August 21st 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m. Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m.
Monday, August 22nd	Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday, August 23rd	Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m.
Wednesday, August 24th <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m. <i>Dunhill Church from after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 12.00 noon</i>
Thursday, August 25th	Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
Friday, August 26th <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m. <i>Fenor Church from after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 12.00 noon</i>
Saturday, August 27th	Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m.

- Sincere thanks to all who contributed to the **Annual Graveyard Collection** recently. Your support is greatly appreciated and will help us to keep the cemeteries looking well during the months ahead.
- Congratulations to those who received their **Leaving Certificate** results this week. We hope that the college offers work out in your favour and assure you of our prayers as you make important decisions about your future.
- **Why is the Irish Church introducing this new Missal now?** The Irish Church is not alone in the task of introducing a new edition of the Roman Missal at this time. The new edition of the Roman Missal is the English translation of the Latin Missal that was issued by Pope John Paul II in 2002. Since 2002 the Church across the world in its many languages has engaged in the work of translating this Latin text through study, reflection and consultation. This work in English speaking countries is now complete. In Ireland, as in other English speaking countries, the new Missal will come into use during the autumn of this year.
- The 26th **World Youth Day** will conclude today (Sunday) with a Mass celebrated by Pope Benedict XVI and over one million young people from everywhere on earth. Waterford & Lismore's sixteen tired and weary pilgrims, including Damien Murray and Fr Paul, will have spent last night under the stars as they prepare for this morning's Mass with the Holy Father. They return home tomorrow so please pray that they will carry the joy and excitement of their faith back to others.
- Congratulations to the recently elected **'Mayor' of Fenor**, Laurence 'Obama' Curran, and well done to all who organised and participated in the various fundraisers for the local community projects.
- The **2nd National Jobs Conference** will take place on Friday 26th August at Dunhill Multi Education Centre. Key speaker is Mr. Phil Hogan, T.D. Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government. Jointly hosted by Waterford County Council and Dunhill Rural Enterprises, the main theme of the conference is 'How Local Communities Create Local Jobs'. Key to the conference will be the presentation of solid case studies of enterprise development and job creation in communities. Admission is €25 including a light lunch. For more information, and to register, Log on to www.dunhillcopark.com or call 051-396934.
- The **5th National Grandparents Pilgrimage** will take place at the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock on Sunday, 11th September 2011. The chief celebrant will be Archbishop Michael Neary with guest singers including Fr Liam Lawton, Dana, Ann Marie Gibbons and Daniel Furlong. One of the aims of the Catholic Grandparents Association is to celebrate the important role grandparents play in the lives of their grandchildren. For further information please visit the website www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.com
- Check out our parish **Facebook** page at <http://www.facebook.com/DunhillAndFenorParish>
- Friday Penance: This Friday why not abstain from alcoholic drink or smoking.
- **Questions people ask** – Fr Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap Email silvesteroflynn@gmail.com

Q. None of my children, all grown-ups, go to Mass, nor do their children. They say that it is only a matter of time before the Catholic Church becomes extinct in Ireland. How can I answer them?

A. Surveys show that very close to 50% of Irish Catholics go to Mass every week, a stunning figure. That means two million people at Mass in Ireland this weekend. Hardly a sign of extinction! I read somewhere that Chesterton said that there were five occasions in history when the Church went to the dogs. But it was the dogs who died! 'On this rock I will build my Church and the gates of the underworld will never hold out against it.'
- Last week's **Parish Collection**: Masses €353.30 & Envelopes €519.45. Thank you for your continued support.