Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, August 28st, 2011 www.dunhillandfenorparish.ie

▼ Sunday, August 28 th	Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m.
22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m.
Monday, August 29 th	Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday, August 30 th	Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m.
Wednesday, August 31st	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, September 01st	Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
Friday, September 02 nd	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, September 03 rd	Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m.

- Best wishes to the children and teachers who will <u>return to school</u> this week. Fenor National School reopens this Monday, August 30th, and Dunhill National School reopens on Thursday, September 01st. We hope that it will be a very successful year in both schools. Best wishes also to those starting school for the first time, and to those beginning in secondary school and in third-level colleges in the weeks ahead.
- Is what we have been praying up to now wrong? The Missal that we have been using in Ireland since 1975 was approved for use by the Conferences of Bishops and by the Holy See. Over time and with use, some of its weaknesses have emerged. The revised translation is intended to address some of these weaknesses, particularly by seeking to strengthen scriptural imagery within the prayers and by elevating the language somewhat. The new translation offers us an opportunity to think more deeply about what words mean, how we should pray them, the deeper personal and communal meaning of our liturgical worship and the need to re-capture the reverence with which we celebrate the saving mysteries at each Eucharist. The current translation has served a number of generations of the faithful well and remains the proper and valid form of our prayer together until such time as the new Missal is introduced. To help in the task of preparing for and implementing the new translations, there will be two workshops held in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, this Tuesday, August 30th, and the following Tuesday, September 06th, at 7.30 p.m. and will be led by Fr Michael Toomey, C.C., Tramore. The workshops, which will last for only about an hour, are open to everyone but will be of particular benefit to readers and Cantors / Choirs. To book a place, please call 051-386477 during office hours and leave your name and parish.
- Friday is the <u>First Friday</u> of September and Fr Paul will be visiting the sick and housebound with the Sacraments. If you, or anyone you know, would like to celebrate Confession, Anointing of the Sick or to receive the Eucharist please let us know at the parish office (396892) as soon as possible.
- You are invited to attend the <u>Taizé Prayer Service</u> which will be held in the Blessed Edmund Rice Chapel, Mount Sion on Friday, September 02nd, at 8.00 p.m. Music will be provided by the Waterford Peace Choir and tea and coffee will be provided afterwards. All are welcome to this evening of quiet prayer and reflection.
- The <u>stained glass windows</u> in Dunhill Church which were taken away for repair have now been restored and replaced at a cost of $\in 8,000$. Please continue to support the weekly offertory and envelope collections so that we can pay for this work and lots of other protective and developmental work which needs to be done.
- Would you like to study Theology from home? The Dominicans are offering distance learning theology programmes, leading to a certificate or (honours) degree. Students study from home, while also attending occasional study days and using on-line support of academic tutors. The programme can also be joined at a more relaxed level by those not wishing to do exams or obtain academic credits. For more information contact The Priory Institute, Tallaght, Dublin 24. Tel: 01 4048124 or visit their website at www.prioryinstitute.com
- Questions people ask Fr Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap. Email silvesteroflynn@gmail.com

 Q. I notice that at Mass there is a special prayer for the Pope and local bishop, both of them named. Isn't this another sign of clericalism, getting special mention of themselves? A. The prayer you refer to is for the entire Church. The Pope and local bishop are mentioned, not for their own sake, but as centres of unity since they are regarded as the successors of the apostles. It is a prayer that the Church-community, faithful to the teaching of the Apostles, will be united in truth and love.
- Last week's **Parish Collection**: Masses €473.19 & Envelopes €806.50. Thank you for your continued support.