## Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, October 02<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 www.dunhillandfenorparish.ie

<b>▼</b> Sunday, October 02 <sup>nd</sup>	Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m.
27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – Day for Life	Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m.
Monday, October 03 <sup>rd</sup>	Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday, October 04 <sup>th</sup>	Fenor Church at 7.00 p.m. Months Mind for Nicholas Barry
Wednesday, October 05 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Dunhill Church from 11.00 a.m. until 12.00 noon
Thursday, October 06 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
First Friday, October 07 <sup>th</sup>	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, October 08 <sup>th</sup>	Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m.

- The theme for <u>Day for Life 2011</u> is *A call to solidarity and hope in difficult times*. Day for Life this year reflects on what it means to lead a full and happy life. It takes as its starting point the words of Pope Benedict when he said: "Happiness is something we all want, but one of the great tragedies in this world is that so many people never find it, because they look in the wrong places. The key to it is very simple true happiness is to be found in God. We need to have the courage to place our deepest hopes in God alone, not in money, in a career, in worldly success, or in our relationships with others, but in God. Only he can satisfy the deepest needs of our hearts." The Day for Life calls for us to work for a society in which all are valued as loved by God and redeemed by Christ; not for their fame, or power, or what they own but for their intrinsic worth. See more at www.catholicbishops.ie
- Father Paul will visit the <u>sick and housebound</u> in the parish this coming Friday, October 08<sup>th</sup>. If you, or anyone you know, would like a visit from the priest with the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion please let us know as soon as possible. The number at the parish office is 051-396892.
- Our <u>Parish Pastoral Council</u> (PPC) is distributing nomination forms for new members of the council. A parish meeting will be held on *Tuesday*, 11<sup>th</sup> October, in the Dunhill Education Centre at 8.00 p.m. At this meeting the purpose of the PPC and the role of its members will be explained. Every parishioner is invited to nominate one or more persons, including themselves, for council membership and everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend the meeting. Nomination forms are available in both churches and they should be returned as soon as possible.
- Sincere thanks to all who contributed to the <u>Annual Autumn Collection</u> for the support of the Bishop and Priests of the Diocese last weekend. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.
- Work will begin in the coming days on the churches in the parish. Both buildings need to have some slates refixed or replaced and gutters repaired. Lightening conductors also need to be fitted and, all in all, the work will cost €18,000. Your weekly contribution to the collection at Mass, and to the Envelopes, is paramount if this work is to continue and our sacred spaces are to be protected. Please continue to give as generously as you can.
- A lovely morning of coffee, tea and home baking was had in Mother McHugh's last week. The event, in aid of **Waterford Hospice**, raised over €600. Thanks to all who came, and to those who baked and donated raffle prizes.
- The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. This response is one of the very obvious changes as we use the new edition of the Missal. It is the literal translation of the Latin text "et cum spiritu tuo". The source for this dialogue between priest and people is very much Scripture. In four letters, St. Paul uses the following greetings: Galatians 6:18 May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit; Philippians 4:23 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit; 2 Timothy 4:22 The Lord be with your spirit; Philemon 25 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Similar greetings can be found in the Old Testament. What does "your spirit" mean? It is not a reference to the Holy Spirit though it is spoken by people who live according to that Spirit. For St. Paul the spirit is our spiritual part that is closest to God. It is about having the spirit or mind of Christ as your guiding light a Christian spirit. So this greeting and response captures our biblical roots. It is a recognition of the spirit that is among us as Christians, a spirit that we must live and, in greeting one another, it proclaims the presence of Christ among us. -prepared by the National Centre for Liturgy
- The Rotary Club of Waterford is supporting a <u>Dog Walk</u> in aid of Irish Guide Dogs on Saturday, 08<sup>th</sup> October, from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. in the Peoples' Park, Waterford. No sponsorship is required; just register at the event for €5. Please bring your family, friends, kids and pets to this fun event. For further details see www.guidedogs.ie.
- Last week's **Parish Collection**: Masses €650.28 & Envelopes €494.10. Thank you for your continued support.