

# Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011 *(This is our 100<sup>th</sup> Weekly Edition!)*

☒ <b>Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Third Sunday of Advent – Gaudete Sunday</i>	Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m. Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m.
<b>Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup></b>	Dunhill Church at 7.30 p.m. <i>(Month's Mind for Dick Cullinane)</i>
<b>Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup></b>	Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m.
<b>Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup></b> <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>
<b>Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup></b>	Tramore Church at 10.00 a.m.
<b>Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup></b> <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>
<b>Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup></b>	Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m.

- The Annual Society of **St Vincent de Paul Christmas Collection** is being taken up outside both churches this weekend. The Society is broke at the moment so please give as generously as you can.
- The **Annual Community Care Christmas Party** will take place today (Sunday) in the G.A.A. Centre, Dunhill. Thanks to all who have come together to organise this wonderful day for our senior citizens.
- The **Child Safeguarding Committee** has begun to process the returned paperwork following our recent meetings. If you haven't already returned your forms please do so as soon as possible so as to have the forms completed and returned before Christmas. Anyone who hasn't yet received forms should collect them in the sacristy.
- Our St Otteran's Pastoral Area has decided to have only two joint **Reconciliation Services for Christmas**: one in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, on Monday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 p.m. and the other in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Mount Sion, on Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, at 7.30 p.m. We will have opportunities for Confession in Fenor Church on Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 10.30 a.m. and in Dunhill Church on Christmas Eve at 10.30 a.m. Wherever you go please do make a special effort to celebrate Christ's love and forgiveness in Confession this Advent.
- The **Christmas Get-Together for Seniors and Friends** will take place at the Dunhill Education Centre this Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 11.00 a.m. Admission is free but there is a raffle for the St Vincent de Paul Society. Music with Michael Dunphy and mince pies and mulled wine will be served. See you there!
- The 2011 **Public Annual General Meeting of DFBA** Community Enterprises Ltd is set for this Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> December, at 8.00 p.m. in the Dunhill Education Centre. Everyone is welcome to this interesting meeting.
- As we mark **International Human Rights Day** (December 10<sup>th</sup>) Trócaire asks us to help the thousands of poor people in Pakistan who are living under wealthy landowners as modern day slaves. The Global Gift of Freedom will help stop this terrible abuse. Log on to [www.trocaire.org/global\\_gift](http://www.trocaire.org/global_gift) or call 1850 408 408.
- The 54<sup>th</sup> Annual **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** takes place this year from Wednesday, June 06<sup>th</sup>, to Monday, June 11<sup>th</sup>. This year's pilgrim fare is €705. For pilgrim information and bookings please contact the Pilgrimage Office, St. John's Pastoral Centre, John's Hill, Waterford. Tel: 051-878900. If you are unwell and are interested in going to Lourdes, please contact Sean Dunphy, Cuisle Ceoil, Dunmore Road, Waterford. Tel: 051-873629. The **Dunhill Lourdes Fund Committee** are inviting anybody wishing to have their name included for selection as a pilgrim, a helper, a youth worker or leader to contact any member of the committee or leave details at the sacristy.
- Bookings to attend the **50<sup>th</sup> International Eucharistic Congress** are being accepted now on [www.iec2012.ie](http://www.iec2012.ie). You can book for 7 days, 3 days or for a single day. You can decide to come as an individual, as a family or as a group. Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, has been booked as a Waterford & Lismore Diocesan Pilgrimage Day at the Congress so there will be busses from many parishes in our diocese. Do not leave it to the last minute, particularly if you intend going for longer than the Diocesan Day. Why not mark it in your diary or on your calendar now.
- **Questions people ask** – Fr Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap Email [silvesteroflynn@gmail.com](mailto:silvesteroflynn@gmail.com)  
Q. Why did they have to put big words like 'consubstantial' into the new translation of the Creed? A priest friend of mine told me the word isn't even in his dictionary!  
A. There is no simple English word to express the deep theology of the unity of Jesus Christ with God the Father. The old translation was 'of one Being with the Father'. Being is a shorter word than consubstantial but it is a philosophical term not easy to understand. The former translation was just as difficult as the new. As for your priest friend, get him a decent dictionary for Christmas!
- Last week's **Parish Collection**: Masses €424.98 & Envelopes €467.90. Thank you for your continued support.