

✘ <b>Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Fifth Sunday of Lent</i>	Mass in Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m. Mass in Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m.
<b>Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord</i>	Mass in Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m.
<b>Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup></b>	Mass in Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m.
<b>Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Mass in Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m. <i>In Dunhill Church from after Mass 10.00 a.m. Mass until noon</i>
<b>Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup></b>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
<b>Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Mass in Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m. <i>In Fenor Church from after Mass 10.00 a.m. Mass until noon</i>
<b>Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup></b> ( <i>Vigil of Palm Sunday</i> )	Mass in Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m.

- A **Community Care Afternoon Tea** get-together, including a film, will take place in the Dunhill Multi-Education Centre, opposite the GAA Centre, today (Sunday) at 4.00 p.m. All are welcome.
- The children who are preparing to receive First Holy Communion will celebrate their **First Confession** this Monday evening at 7.00 p.m. in Fenor Church and their parents will also have an opportunity for confession during the ceremony. Other parishioners are also welcome. Their next **Do This in Memory Mass** will be celebrated in Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m. next Sunday, April 01<sup>st</sup>, which is Palm Sunday. Please pray for them.
- A meeting about the **Holy Week Ceremonies** will take place this Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> March, at 7.30 p.m. in Dunhill Church. All who would like to learn more about these liturgies, or help to prepare them, are welcome to attend.
- We are still anxious to recruit new **Ministers of the Word (Readers) and Ministers of the Eucharist** for both churches and would be delighted to hear from anyone willing to serve in these very important public ministries. Please give names and contact details to Fr Paul, the sacristy or email [priest@dunhillandfenorparish.ie](mailto:priest@dunhillandfenorparish.ie)
- Have you had a look at our new, enlarged and refreshed website yet? [www.dunhillandfenorparish.ie](http://www.dunhillandfenorparish.ie)
- At the Council of Nicea in 325 the **Date for Easter** was fixed as the Sunday after the full moon after the spring equinox. So Sunday, 08<sup>th</sup> April 2012, is the feast of Easter. Eastern Christians calculate the date of Easter according to the Julian Calendar, the calendar in general use before the Gregorian reform of 1582. Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> April 2012 is the feast of Easter for Eastern Christians. The Jewish people celebrate the feast of Passover this year on 07<sup>th</sup> April (15<sup>th</sup> of Nisan 5772), beginning at sundown on the previous evening and continuing for seven days.
- **Lenten Penance?** Why not visit the church during the week to pray in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament?
- "I shall make an everlasting covenant with them, never to cease in my efforts for their welfare..." (Jeremiah 32:40) This Fifth Sunday in Lent we are urged to make a covenant with the people of Uganda as they rebuild their lives with Trócaire's support. We offer this community, and many others in the world's poorest countries, our solidarity. Even though we may never meet them let us be assured that the seed of hope we plant will change lives for the better. For more information on **Trócaire's Lenten campaign** visit [www.trocaire.org/lent](http://www.trocaire.org/lent) or call 1850 408 408.
- A **Monastic Experience Weekend** is taking place at St. Mary's Abbey, Glencairn, Co. Waterford, on 20-22 April 2012. The event is open to women who are discerning God's call in their lives and who would like to discover more about monastic life. Cistercian nuns seek God and follow Christ in a life of prayer and study, work and solitude, simplicity and silence, in a stable, loving community. Glencairn Abbey is a vibrant, growing community of 36 sisters. Visit their website [www.glencairnabbey.org](http://www.glencairnabbey.org) which is regularly updated.
- **Questions people ask** - Fr Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap. Email [silvesteroflynn@gmail.com](mailto:silvesteroflynn@gmail.com)  
**Question:** How can I answer my son who says the religion only fills people with guilt and glorifies suffering?  
**Answer:** Guilt is the proper reaction when somebody has done wrong. The humble admission that I have done wrong is the first step in restoring a broken relationship. Not allowing oneself to feel guilty after doing wrong is a recipe for personal disaster. As for suffering, Christians have always been in the forefront in working for the alleviation of suffering through pioneering hospitals, food aid, nursing, etc. Religion is the world's greatest source of compassion and practical charity. In situations where suffering cannot be avoided or alleviated, religion offers a way to accept the situation with meaning and dignity. Even Jesus learned to obey, that is to hear God's call, through his suffering.
- Last week's **Parish Collection:** Masses €373.38 & Envelopes €717.00 Thank you for your continued support.