## Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, 08th April 2012

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▼ Sunday, April 08 <sup>th</sup>	Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m.
Easter Sunday	Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m.
Bank Holiday – Easter Monday	Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m.
Easter Tuesday, April 10 <sup>th</sup>	Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m.
Easter Wednesday, April 11 <sup>th</sup>	Mass in 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
Easter Thursday, April 12 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
Easter Friday, April 13 <sup>th</sup>	Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Fenor Church from 10.00 a.m. until 12.00 noon
Easter Saturday, April 14 <sup>th</sup>	Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m.

- Sincere thanks to all who helped out, in any way, in planning and preparing for the **Easter Ceremonies** and to all who participated in the ceremonies at this most important time in the Christian year. Thanks to all concerned.
- The <u>Annual Easter Collection for the support of the Bishop and Priests</u> (Easter Dues) is being taken up at all Masses this weekend. This collection provides the priests of the diocese with their wages. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated. Sincere thanks to those who prepare and distribute envelopes to all the homes in the parish.
- Next weekend is the first anniversary of the death of **Fr Gerard Purcell** who served this parish faithfully for 28 years. His Anniversary Mass will be celebrated in Fenor Church next Sunday morning, 15<sup>th</sup> April, at 9.30 a.m. Later that morning, after the 11.00 a.m. Mass in Dunhill, a memorial plaque will be unveiled in Dunhill Church.
- The boys and girls in the sixth classes in both parish schools enjoyed a day's spiritual retreat in February when they reflected on the spiritual meaning of Confirmation and on the Gifts and the Fruits of the Holy Spirit. On Tuesday week, 17<sup>th</sup> April, they will celebrate their 'Service of Light' in Fenor Church; the day when their parents and godparents recognise them as young people who are responsible enough to keep the flame of faith burning in their own young lives. The parents and godparents have held the Baptismal Candle for many years but are now passing it on to their son/daughter to keep it burning brightly themselves, through the good, caring works that they carry out at home and in their community. Due to the ongoing illness of Bishop Lee he has deputised the diocesan Vicars Forane to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. Canon William Ryan, P.P., V.F., will visit our parish on Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> April, to celebrate the <u>Sacrament of Confirmation</u> with our young parishioners so we take this opportunity to thank the parents and godparents, the teachers in both schools, and all who have brought the young people to this special day. The ceremony will be in Fenor Church this year, at 11.00 a.m.
- In order to facilitate pilgrims travelling to the **Final Mass of Eucharistic Congress in Croke Park** on June 17<sup>th</sup>, a special train will depart Waterford Train Station at 9.35 a.m. and return from Dublin at 6.10 p.m. The fare is €25. A number of tickets for Croke Park are still available at the parish office in Tramore on 051-386477.
- "So by our baptism into his death we were buried with him, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glorious power, we too should begin living a new life." (Romans 6:4) Please return your <u>Trócaire box</u> as soon as possible. On this Easter Sunday <u>Trócaire thanks you</u> for your support of this year's Lenten campaign. This support will help thousands of people in Uganda as they begin their new lives after so much pain.
- The yearly <u>Clean-up of Ballyscanlon</u> and surrounding roads will take place this Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> April. All those willing to help should meet at the car park in Ballyscanlon Wood at 10.00 a.m.
- A fun <u>**Table Quiz</u>** organised by the Parents Association will take place in Mother McHugh's, Fenor, on Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> April, at 8.30 p.m. Tables of four €20 with proceeds being donated to the Fenor Lourdes Fund.</u>

• <u>Questions people ask</u> - Fr Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap. Email silvesteroflynn@gmail.com Question: In what way was the raising of Jesus different from the raising of Lazarus or the widow's son at Nain? Answer: It's the difference between resuscitation and Resurrection. Lazarus was resuscitated, meaning that he was brought back into the same level of life and he had to die again at a later date. Resurrection is not coming back into former life but going forward into a new and greater life. An entirely new level of life was revealed in the Resurrection of Jesus. As St Paul wrote, all our believing is based on the Resurrection of Jesus.

Last week's <u>Parish Collection</u>: Masses €518.11 & Envelopes €342.40. Thank you for your continued support.
May the Risen Lord fill your heart with peace & joy this Easter. Alleluia.