

Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, 01st July 2012

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✘ Sunday, July 01st – <i>Feast of St Oliver Plunkett</i> <i>13th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass in Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m. Mass in Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m.
Monday, July 02nd	Mass in Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday, June 03rd – <i>St Thomas, apostle</i>	Mass in Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m.
Wednesday, June 04th <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Mass in Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m. <i>Dunhill Church from after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 12.00 noon</i>
Thursday, July 05th	Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
Friday, July 06th <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Mass in Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m. <i>Fenor Church from after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 12.00 noon</i>
Saturday, July 07th	Mass in Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m.

- The **Annual Collection for the Needs of the Diocese & Peter's Pence** will be taken up in both churches this weekend. This collection is vitally important for the effective running of the diocese and it supports a great deal of vital pastoral work. Yellow envelopes are provided in your supply at home. Please give as generously as you can.
- Friday coming is the **First Friday of July** and Fr Paul will be visiting the sick and housebound in their homes. If you, or anyone you know, would like a visit with the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and the Sacrament of the Sick, please contact the parish office as soon as possible on 051-396892.
- Following the **Dunhill Community Hall** meeting in February the elected Committee have been developing the project plan for the renovation of Dunhill Hall. To date, progress includes formally establishing DFBA Dunhill Community Hall Committee, signing the lease between the Diocese and DFBA, researching the history of the building, developing architectural plans and exploring funding opportunities. It is the Committee's intention to hold an open community meeting by September to provide a full report on the renovation project.
- Many gardens are in full bloom at the moment and we would really appreciate **donations of flowers** for use in the churches during the weeks ahead. Just drop them into the sacristy in good time for any weekend.
- The **6th All-Ireland Rally for Life** committee invites you to join with thousands of others to speak up for the right to life in Belfast for the great Celebration of Life and be a voice for our unborn children this Saturday, July 7th, starting from the Custom House Square at 2.00 p.m. A bus will leave Caulfield's Hypermarket car park, Military Road, Waterford, at 8.00 a.m. Call Antoinette on 051-851558 to reserve a seat.
- **Waterford Hospice** would like to invite you to an evening with Cara O' Sullivan, Ireland's premier soprano, on Friday, July 13th, in the Church of the Sacred Heart, The Folly, Waterford. Tickets are €20 each and are available from the Theatre Royal Box office 051-874402, The Book Centre, Waterford, or online at www.theatreroyal.ie.
- **Saint Watch: July 1** – St Oliver Plunkett, the Bishop and Martyr, was from Irish nobility whose family supported King Charles. Ordained in Rome in 1654, he was appointed Archbishop of Armagh in 1669. He was forced to conduct a covert ministry during the suppression of priests. He was arrested and tried at Dundalk in 1679 for conspiring against the state. It was seen that Oliver would never be convicted in Ireland, and he was moved to Newgate Prison, London, where he was found guilty of high treason for "promoting the catholic faith" and was condemned to a gruesome death. He was the first catholic to die for his faith at Tyburn and the first of the Irish martyrs to be beatified. His head is in St. Peter's Church, Drogheda but most of his body is at Downside Abbey.
- **A Vocation View:** Jesus commanded Peter: "Feed my lambs, feed my sheep." May many young men heed the call of Christ Jesus to do the same as priests of the New Covenant. Let us pray the Lord to send labourers to his harvest.
- While most people will make the switch with some prompting, the **Community Outreach Digital Switchover Programme** focuses on ensuring that those who are least likely to make the switchover to a digital television service will be assisted to do so before 24th October. If you can help people in our community to do this, please contact Richard Torney at 087-6243406. For more information visit www.goingdigital.ie or Lo-Call 1890-940980.
- **Questions people ask** – Fr Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap. Email silvesteroflynn@gmail.com
Question: What do you think of priests who disagree with the Pope? Should they be silenced?
Answer: As the Lord said, any house divided against itself cannot stand. If members of a football team publicly disagreed with the manager's tactics they would soon be sidelined. Open debate is one thing but open dissent is another. There are enough critics outside the Church without critics from within tearing it apart.
- Last week's **Parish Collection:** Masses €442.22 & Envelopes €511.37. Thank you for your continued support.