Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, 05th May 2013

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♥ Sunday, May 5 <sup>th</sup> (Bl. Edmund Rice)	Mass in Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m.	
Sixth Sunday of Easter	Mass in Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m.	14-2
Monday, May 6 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.	
Tuesday, May 7 <sup>th</sup>	Mass in Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m. (Funeral of John Brosnan, Leeds, England. R.I.P.)	
Wednesday, May 8 <sup>th</sup> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m. Dunhill Church from 11.00 a.m. until noon	YEAR OF FAITH 2013
Thursday, May 9 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.	
Friday, May10 <sup>th</sup>	Mass in Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m.	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Fenor Church from after Mass until noon	
Saturday, May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m.	

- It was at Mount Sion in Waterford that Blessed Edmund Rice established his brotherhood: Christian Brothers and Presentation Brothers and began his great mission of "raising the poor". For over 200 years, Brothers and lay colleagues have continued that mission in the liberating education of the young. What began in Mount Sion continues today on all 6 continents. Today (Sunday, 05<sup>th</sup> May) is Blessed Edmund's feast. Many Waterford people are not even aware that Blessed Edmund's tomb is in the chapel at Mount Sion. Why not pay a visit this week for a quiet prayer? The chapel is open every day from 7.00 a.m. until at least 6.00 p.m.
- This week we sent €1900 to Trócaire as a result of this year's **Trócaire Lenten Campaign**. They are extremely grateful for your continuous generosity of the organisation which helps the most deprived people of the world.
- A tea and coffee morning to mark Alzheimer's Tea Day will take place in Harney's, Dunhill, this Thursday, May • 09<sup>th</sup>, from 09.30 a.m. until 12.30 p.m. in aid of the Alzheimer's Association. Come along and enjoy a cuppa as your support for this very worthy cause would be greatly appreciated.
- Waterford Rotary Club is hosting its annual Sponsored Cycle in aid of the Ronald McDonald House which provides accommodation for parents with children in Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin. The cycle takes place next Sunday, 12th May, at 11.00 a.m., from McDonald's, Cork Road, Waterford, to Tramore and back. Entry forms from McDonald's, Cork Road, Nolke Opticians at Ardkeen or www.facebook.com/waterfordrotaryclub
- The **Power Clan Gathering** takes place from Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> to Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> this year. Much of the gathering centres around Dunhill, the ancestral home of the Powers. Some of the events are free of charge and open to everyone so take a look at what is planned for the week on their website www.powerclangathering.com
- Over the coming weeks the **Dunhill Cemetery Committee** will be in action tidying up the cemetery after the winter season. Some low-lying branches will be pruned from trees and some unsightly hedging will be removed from under the wall in the new, and as yet unused, part of the cemetery. Thanks to the many volunteers who give generously of their time and talents to make all of our sacred spaces the beautiful places they are.
- Our Parish Pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi & Padua has 22 pilgrims booked in already, which has surpassed our expectations. If you're interested in coming please consider booking soon so as not to be disappointed (especially if you require a single room). Booking forms are available at the parish office or from Joe Walsh Tours on 01-2410800. We will leave Dublin on Sunday afternoon, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, and spend two nights in Rome, two nights in Assisi and three nights in Padua before flying home from Venice. The cost is €899.00 p.p.s. Check out our Facebook page or our website for more: www.dunhillandfenorparish.ie/df/2013-rome-assisi-padua

Questions people ask – Fr Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap. Email silvesteroflynn80@gmail.com **Ouestion**: Is it possible to have faith in God without having faith in the Church? **Answer**: There are many who have a deep love of the Bible and faith in God but they do not belong to the Catholic Church or to any other institutional Church. However, their faith is seriously lacking if they disregard what the Bible says about being members of the Body of Christ (1 Cor 12), the Church as the bride of Christ (Eph 5:25) or the Church as the pillar and ground of truth (1 Tim 3:15). The oldest document of the New Testament is Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians which refers to the community of faith, hope and love already in existence before a word of the New Testament was written. And who decided on which books should be in the Bible? The Church ... in various synods and councils. There would be no New Testament without the Church community which produced it.

Last week's **Parish Collection**: Masses €388.41 & Envelopes €645.26. Thank you for your continued support. •