



Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, 09th June 2013

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<p>✘ Sunday, June 09th <i>Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i></p>	<p>Mass in Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m. Mass in Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m.</p>	 <p>YEAR OF FAITH 2012 2013</p>
<p>Monday, 10th</p>	<p>Mass in Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m.</p>	
<p>Tuesday, June 11th – St Barnabas, apostle</p>	<p>Mass in Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m.</p>	
<p>Wednesday, June 12th <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i></p>	<p>Mass in Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m. <i>Dunhill Church from after Mass until noon</i></p>	
<p>Thursday, June 13th – St Anthony of Padua</p>	<p>Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.</p>	
<p>Friday, June 14th <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i></p>	<p>Mass in Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m. <i>Fenor Church from after Mass until noon</i></p>	
<p>Saturday, June 15th</p>	<p>Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m.</p>	

- The annual **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** is taking place at the moment. Thanks to all who support the pilgrims by prayer, financial contribution and by participating in the pilgrimage.
- Best wishes to the young people of the parish who are sitting for the **Junior Certificate and Leaving Certificate examinations** at the moment. Be assured of our thoughts and prayers during this time.
- “It is important in the current debates about abortion that Christian believers be, and be seen to be, on the side of all life.” - Archbishop Diarmuid Martin of Dublin, 20 May 2013.
- Recognising that there’s an amount of structural work to be done around the parish, the Parish Finance Council has advised that we prepare with two extra collections in the year, in January and June. This will help us get a head start on the fundraising that will be necessary to complete the various works. The collection in January brought in €1,081.37. The second ‘**Parish Development Fund**’ collection takes place today. There is an extra yellow envelope in your box at home specifically for this collection. Thank you for your support.
- Waterford Museum of Treasures is organising a major conference in Waterford to mark the 650th anniversary of the **unification of the Dioceses of Waterford and Lismore**. The conference will be held next weekend, 14th – 16th June, and booking forms are available from 051-849648 or doceallachain@waterfordcity.ie.
- The second ‘**Choose Life**’ newsletter is available via our website and at www.catholicbishops.ie. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states in article 2273: “The inalienable right to life of every innocent human individual is a constitutive element of a civil society and its legislation.” The *Catechism* elaborates: “The moment a ... law deprives a category of human beings of the protection which civil legislation ought to accord them, the state is denying the equality of all before the law. When the state does not place its power at the service of the rights of each citizen, and in particular of the more vulnerable, the very foundation of a state based on law are undermined.” (CDF, *Donum vitae III*) As regards the issue of abortion legislation it has been claimed that Ireland has an obligation to legislate for abortion in the context of the 1992 X Case. This is untrue. There exists no constitutional provision or statute requiring politicians to legislate for any Supreme Court decision. Legislators can make a positive choice: they can preserve current medical practice which guarantees necessary treatment for pregnant women while respecting the right to life of the baby. Similarly the December 2010 decision of the European Court of Human Rights in the *A, B and C v. Ireland* case did not oblige Ireland to introduce legislation authorising abortion. Rather it left “future policy on protecting the lives of unborn children in the hands of the Irish people” - Cardinal Seán Brady.
- Our **Parish Pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi & Padua** now has 32 people booked in. We leave Dublin on Sunday, September 22nd, 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. Booking forms are available from Joe Walsh Tours on 01-2410800.
- **Questions people ask** – Fr Silvester O’Flynn OFM Cap. Email silvesteroflynn80@gmail.com
Question: Why is St Anthony the saint for finding lost objects? **Answer:** One story goes that a young novice, Brother Louis, stole the manuscript of a book that Anthony was writing, hoping to achieve fame and fortune by selling the work as his own. Anthony was more upset by the novice’s loss of vocation than the loss of the manuscript, so he prayed that Louis would find his vocation. Poor Louis had a terrifying experience in a storm, so he hurried back in sorrow to Anthony who helped him find the way to follow his vocation. On hearing about the finding of the lost manuscript, people began to ask Anthony to pray when they had lost something. There is one catch with St Anthony: he expects a person to make a donation for feeding the poor.
- Last week’s **Parish Collection**: Masses €686.20 & Envelopes €572.00. Thank you for your continued support.