

Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, 16th June 2013

Sunday, June 16th <i>Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass in Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m. Mass in Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m.
Monday, 17th	Mass in Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m. (Months Mind: Mary Power RIP)
Tuesday, June 18th	Mass in Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m.
Wednesday, June 19th <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Mass in Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m. <i>Dunhill Church from after Mass until noon</i>
Thursday, June 20th – The Irish Martyrs	Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
Friday, June 21st – St Aloysius Gonzaga <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Mass in Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m. <i>Fenor Church from after Mass until noon</i>
Saturday, June 22nd	Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m.



- “We must never be afraid to allow our faith to influence and shape our political choices, especially on questions which involve the most basic human values, such as the right to life itself.” - Archbishop Charles J Brown, 2 June 2013.
- **Training for new Altar Servers** in both churches will begin in the coming weeks. Boys and girls who are interested should pick up an application form at the sacristy of either church. Parental permission is necessary. Our parish is fully compliant with the Safeguarding Children policy in the Diocese of Waterford & Lismore.
- The yearly Tidy Towns **village clean-up** will take place in Dunhill Village next Wednesday, 19th June, between 7.00 p.m. and 9.00 p.m. All those willing to help should come along to help tidy our village.
- Thanks to those who have completed and returned their **Tax Refund Scheme** certificates. If you received this appeal from the parish and have not yet returned your forms please do so as soon as possible.
- As part of National Bike Week the **Annual Fenor Playpark Family Cycle** will take place next Sunday, 23rd June, starting at 12.00 noon. Registration begins at 11.00 a.m. in the village. There will be a Kiddies cycle course, 10km & 20km family cycle routes, bouncy castles, BBQ, face painting, open-air local talent show and a few surprises. A great day's family entertainment and exercise for all so come along and enjoy the day.
- A fund raising walk and run for the **Irish Guide Dogs** will take place in Rathgormack Community Centre on Tuesday, 18th June, at 7.30 p.m. There will be lots of entertainment too. It cost €38000 to breed, train and support a working dog. For more information contact Angela Lacey on 086-2465341. www.guidedogs.ie.
- The **Irish Kidney Association** will hold its Annual Church Gate Collection at Dunhill Church next weekend.
- The third '**Choose Life**' newsletter is available via our website and at www.catholicbishops.ie. It reminds us that human life is sacred and inviolable at every moment of existence, including the initial phase which precedes birth. All human beings, from their mothers' womb, belong to God who searches them and knows them, who forms them and knits them together with his own hands, who gazes on them when they are tiny shapeless embryos and already sees in them the adults of tomorrow whose days are numbered and whose vocation is even now written in the “book of life” (cf. Psalm 139: 1, 13-16). There too, when they are still in their mothers' womb, as many passages of the Bible bear witness, they are the personal objects of God's loving and fatherly providence. – *Evangelium Vitae*, 61, Encyclical Letter of Pope John Paul II, 1995.

The right to life is the most fundamental of all rights because it is the foundation of all other rights. Assurances that the Abortion Bill will provide very ‘limited’ access to abortion in response to suicidal ideation are unreliable. The Abortion Bill, in keeping with the X Case judgement, is clear that the risk of suicide need not be “immediate” or “inevitable” to satisfy a judgement “in good faith”, that there is a risk to the life of a mother. The Abortion Bill fails to adequately balance the right to life of the mother with that of the baby, something which current law and medical practice does. This [medical practice] has contributed to Ireland continuing to be one of the safest countries to carry an unborn baby through to birth. On the basis of testimony from medical professionals abortion is not an appropriate treatment for suicidal ideation. “We have to ask the question again: in what other area would a ‘treatment’ that is not appropriate, that brings clear risks to the health of a mother - and which results in the death of another totally innocent person - be legislated for by our public representatives?” – Archbishop Michael Neary, 2013.

- Our **Parish Pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi & Padua** is still booking well. 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.
- Last week’s **Parish Collection**: Masses €366.49 & Envelopes €748.00. Thank you for your continued support.