


Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, 21st July 2013

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<p>✠ Sunday, July 21st <i>Sixteenth 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>Monday, July 22nd – <i>St Mary Magdalene</i></p>	<p>Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.</p>	
<p>Tuesday, July 23rd – <i>St Bridget of Sweden</i></p>	<p>Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.</p>	
<p>Wednesday, July 24th – <i>St Declan of Ardmore</i> <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i></p>	<p>Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m. <i>Dunhill Church from 11.00 a.m. until noon</i></p>	
<p>Thursday, July 25th – <i>St James, Apostle</i></p>	<p>Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.</p>	
<p>Friday, July 26th – <i>SS Joachim and Anne</i> <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i></p>	<p>Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m. <i>Fenor Church from 11.00 a.m. until noon</i></p>	
<p>Saturday, July 27th</p>	<p>Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m.</p>	

- The annual **Sacristans' Collection** will be taken up in both churches this weekend. The job of the Sacristan is an unpaid, seven-days-a-week job and we are really grateful to Mrs Mary Power and Mrs Ita O'Reilly for their dedication and commitment. This weekend is our opportunity to show our appreciation for them and for what they do for our parish community. Please give as generously as you can.
- This Wednesday, 24th July, is the **Feast of St Declan** of Ardmore, one of the patron saints of our diocese. Mass in honour of this pre-Patrician saint will be celebrated by Fr Greg Howard in St Declan's Church, Ardmore, at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday. There is a wonderful programme of events for the week-long Ardmore Pattern Festival so check the details at www.ardmorepatternfestival.ie and join in the celebrations.
- The eighth '**Choose Life' newsletter** is available via our website and at www.catholicbishops.ie. "If we abandon the principle which teaches that innocent human life is inviolable, which is to say, that it is sacred and must be protected by law, if we relinquish that principle, and begin to allow for the deliberate and direct destruction of human life, what basis will we have to object when the situation shifts further and other categories of vulnerable human beings are under threat? We will have none or very little, because we will have sacrificed the foundation, the basis, the principle: every human life is to be respected, because it is of inestimable value. This recognition is at the origin of every human society and community. It is not *per se* a religious truth; it is a human truth" - Archbishop Charles J Brown, Apostolic Nuncio to Ireland, 7 July 2013.
- The annual Community Care **Summer Outing** for senior citizens will take place next Sunday, 28th July, leaving Fenor at 9.30 a.m. This year the outing will be to Aboretum Garden Centre, Loughlinbridge, Co. Carlow. The cost for the full day's activity, including meal, is €30. All seniors in the community would be most welcome so anyone interested in this great day out should give their name and contact details to any member of the committee.
- This year's **Summer Cemetery Mass** at Dunhill will be celebrated on Wednesday, August 7th, and the Cemetery Mass in Fenor will be celebrated on the following Tuesday, August 13th, both at 7.30 p.m. Please spread the word.
- On Saturday, August 10th, the fourth annual **Sponsored Leisure Cycle** will take place in memory of Fr. Colm O'Brien, who sadly passed away in 2009. The cycle will start at Saints Peter & Paul's Church, Clonmel, and travel directly to the G.A.A. centre in Tramore (60 kms). Participants may choose the shorter cycle from St Paul's Church, Lisduggan, to the G.A.A. centre in Tramore (10 kms). This year all funds raised will be donated to the Anam Cara Parent & Sibling Breavement Support Society and The Robbie Forristal Fund. Registration, sponsorship and volunteering information is available at: www.frcolmobrienmemorialcycle.com.
- This year's **Youth 2000 Summer Festival** will take place at Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary. The festival is for young people age 16-35, and will take place from Thursday 15th to Sunday 18th August 2013. It promises to be a great opportunity for young people from all around Ireland to experience their Catholic faith, meet new friends, and have some craic! This Festival has been nicknamed the "Holy Oxygen" with over 1,000 young people from all corners of Ireland attending last year. This is a donation-only retreat, so there's no formal charge, and there are free busses. For more information contact www.youth2000.ie, 01-6753690, or on Facebook.
- "There are shades here of George Orwell's *Animal Farm* where all are equal but some more equal than others" - Bishop Brendan Leahy of Limerick on the abortion bill, 9 July 2013.
- Our **Parish Pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi & Padua** is booked out with over two months to go. Thank you to all who are supporting the pilgrimage. We look forward to a spiritually enriching journey through Italy in September as we discover the faith heritage of Rome, Assisi, Loreto, Padua and Venice.
- Last week's **Parish Collection**: Masses €377.83 & Envelopes €545.10. Thank you for your continued support.