

Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, 22nd September 2013

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<p>✘ Sunday, September 22nd <i>Twenty-Fifth 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, September 23rd – <i>St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)</i></p>	<p>Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.</p>
<p>Tuesday, September 24th</p>	<p>Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.</p>
<p>Wednesday, September 25th – <i>St Finbarr of Cork</i> <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i></p>	<p>Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m. <i>Dunhill Church from 11.00 a.m. until noon</i></p>
<p>Thursday, September 26th – <i>Ss Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs</i></p>	<p>Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.</p>
<p>Friday, September 27th – <i>St Vincent de Paul, priest</i> <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i></p>	<p>Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m. <i>Fenor Church from 11.00 a.m. until noon</i></p>
<p>Saturday, September 28th</p>	<p>Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m.</p>

- Our long awaited **Parish Pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi and Padua** begins today (Sunday) and we are delighted to have fifty pilgrims travelling from Dunhill & Fenor and from other parts of the country. Rome will be the first stop with visits to the major basilicas: St John Lateran, St Mary Major, St Paul outside the Walls and, of course, St Peter's in the Vatican, where one highlight will be praying at the tomb of Blessed John Paul II. Other highlight will include the Trevi Fountain, the Spanish Steps and ice-cream on the Piazza Navona. After two nights in Rome, and following Holy Mass at the Pontifical Irish College there, the pilgrims will head to Assisi – the home of St Francis and St Clare – and Santa Maria degli Angeli. Two days later, pilgrims will visit the Holy House of Loreto for Holy Mass, en route to St Anthony's town of Padua. A trip to Venice is a must before returning home next Sunday. Please pray for the pilgrims and be assured of their prayers for you during this year's parish pilgrimage.
- The **Annual Autumn Collection** (Autumn Dues) for the support of the Bishop and the Priests will be taken up at all Masses this weekend, September 21st and 22nd. Please give as generously as you can.
- St John's Pastoral Centre is continuing its presentations for the **Year of Faith** with two talks by the Revd Dr Dermot Ryan, who will speak on 'Celebrating the Sacraments Today'. In an interactive way, Fr Dermot will explore how the Sacraments work in our world today as expressions of God's communication with us. The talks will be given at St John's Pastoral Centre, Waterford, on Monday 23rd and Monday 30th September, beginning at 7.30 p.m. Check out the diocesan website for full details of the upcoming events www.waterfordlismore.com.
- Dunhill Multi-Education Centre will be hosting **Ireland's Biggest Coffee Morning** in aid of Waterford Hospice Movement. They are endeavoring to raise a staggering €6m towards the construction of a Hospice Unit on the grounds of Waterford Regional Hospital. All money raised will help to provide hospice care in this area so please come along and bring a friend to support this very worthy cause, this Wednesday, 25th September, at 11.00 a.m.
- **Boxes of weekly envelopes** for the coming year are being distributed throughout the parish at present. We encourage the use of these numbered envelopes because, when we can verify what parishioners have donated, we are able to claim back some tax money from the Government – making your donation all the more beneficial to the parish. These donations are essential to pay for the running of the parish which includes maintenance of the properties, heating and lighting, printing and other secretarial tasks. Your donations also help us to implement the most up-to-date Child Safeguarding Policies and training for various ministries and jobs. A full statement of account is presented to the whole parish early in each new year and parishioners are invited to discuss the finances at an open meeting. Thanks to the many volunteers who have prepared and are distributing the envelopes for us.
- St Joseph's Carmelite Monastery in Tallow, Co. Waterford, is hosting a **Monastic Weekend** for single women discerning a vocation in religious life (aged 22-38) from September 27th to 29th. If you would like more details about their way of life or about the monastic weekend contact them at 058-56205 or visit www.carmelitetallow.org
- Would you like to help your parish or develop your faith? St Patricks College, Maynooth, is offering **Theology Awards in Lifelong Learning**. To find out more and to receive a prospectus, contact St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, on 01-7083600, email theology.office@spcm.ie or visit www.maynoothcollege.ie by September 30th.
- Fr Paul and the Parish Pastoral Council will host a **Gathering of All Parish Volunteers** on Sunday, 6th October, at the Seaview Celtic Clubhouse, Annestown. This is an opportunity to say thanks to all the adults who help out in any way and who make a positive contribution to the life of the parish. Sister Antoinette Dilworth will lead us in prayer and speak on how to live a faith-filled life in the modern world and supper will be served afterwards.
- Last week's **Parish Collection**: Masses €397.45 & Envelopes €846.50. Thank you for your continued support.