## Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, 20th October 2013

<b>¥</b> Sunday, October 20 <sup>th</sup>	Mass in Fenor Church at 9.30 a.m.
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mission Sunday)	Mass in Dunhill Church at 11.00 a.m.
Monday, October 21st	Mass in Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday, October 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mass in Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m.
Wednesday, October 23 <sup>rd</sup> – St John of Capistrano, Priest	Mass in Dunhill Church at 10.00 a.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Dunhill Church from after Mass until noon
Thursday, October 24 <sup>th</sup> – St Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
Friday, October 25 <sup>th</sup> – Dedication of our Cathedral	Mass in Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Fenor Church from after Mass until noon
Saturday, October 26 <sup>th</sup>	Fenor Church at 6.30 p.m.

- October is the month of the Missions and today is celebrated everywhere as **World Mission Sunday**. The Mission collection is organised by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith and it is collected by every Church around the world, including the poorest. Mission Sunday provides Catholics with the opportunity to recommit themselves to the Church's missionary activity, through prayer, sacrifice and financial contribution. Funds raised are used to assist missionaries to help communities spiritually and materially. Contributions are also used to build simple mission churches, to educate seminarians and to assist in the formation of catechists and lay leaders. It is also used for the building of health clinics for children, emergency aid in times of war or natural disaster and to care for refugees. The celebration of Mission Month this year has a very special meaning as we come to the end of the Year of Faith. "Faith is a gift that is given to us to be shared. It is a talent received so that it may bear fruit. It is a light that must never be hidden. It is the most important gift that has been given to us in our lives and which we cannot keep to ourselves." (Pope Benedict XVI) For more information visit: www.wmi.ie.
- The Year of Faith events continue this week with Martina Lehane Sheehan & Pat Sheehan who are presenting an evening on <u>Prayer & Spirituality Today</u>, this Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October, starting at 7.30 p.m. in St. Oliver's Parish Centre, Clonmel, and again in the Park Hotel, Dungarvan, on Tuesday week, 29<sup>th</sup> October, starting at 7.30 p.m. Martina Lehane Sheehan is director of retreats and programmes at Ennismore Retreat Centre, Cork. She regularly facilitates retreats and workshops on matters of spirituality and personal development. Her husband, Pat, has been involved in Pastoral Development in the diocese of Cork & Ross for several years.
- The Diocesan Pastoral Council is providing an opportunity for all parishioners throughout the diocese to actively participate in a **Review of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan** "Building in Faith" and to contribute to the future development of the pastoral needs of the diocese by completing a survey between now and October 27<sup>th</sup>. The survey is completely confidential and anonymous and consists simply of each person completing a questionnaire which is available in both churches. You may take the survey home with you, but you must ensure that the completed form is returned to the church on or before next Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> October. Find more information at www.waterfordlismore.com. Your participation is greatly appreciated.
- The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to the fact that the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on 7<sup>th</sup> October. It was instituted to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful. In this month of October, let us consider this beautiful prayer of the Rosary as a means that we too can use in order to draw closer to Jesus and Mary by meditating on the great mysteries of our salvation. Prayer cards on 'How to say the Rosary' are available in both churches, free of charge.
- Youth 2000 will be hosting a **Youth Retreat** in De La Salle College, Waterford City, from Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> to Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November. A big attendance (aged 16-35) is expected at this donation only event, with newcomers very welcome. The weekend will consist of a programme including Mass, talks, music, workshops etc. Residential optional so please bring a sleeping bag! Under 18's can download a booking form from website. For more information contact 086-3301766 or check out www.youth2000.ie.
- November is the month of the Holy Souls and many people choose to abstain from alcohol for the month of November, to offer this sacrificial act in honour of their deceased loved ones. You can do likewise! Why not take the **Short-Term Pioneer Pledge** this November? Check out www.pioneerassociation.ie or contact 01- 8749464.
- Last week's **Parish Collection**: Masses €371.89 & Envelopes €629.00. Thank you for your continued support.