

Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, 10th January 2016

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✘ Sunday, January 10 th <i>Baptism of the Lord</i>	Mass in Dunhill Church at 9.30 a.m.
Monday, January 11 th	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday, January 12 th – St. Benet	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
Wednesday, January 13 th – St. Hilary <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m. Dunhill Church from 11.00 a.m. until 12 noon
Thursday, January 14 th – St. Felix	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
Friday, January 15 th – St. Ita <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m. Fenor Church from 11.00 a.m. until 12 noon
Saturday, January 16 th	Fenor Church at 6.00 p.m.

- Today, as we celebrate the Baptism of Our Lord, Pope Francis reflects on the importance of this sacrament highlighting how it is a great gift which we have received and it incorporates us into the body of Christ and impels us to evangelise. He states that it is not just “a simple rite or a formal act” it is the sacrament on which our faith is founded and we are living members of Christ and of his Church. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the parish **Baptismal Team** who are available to each family prior to the baptism to help deepen the understanding of the sacrament and the various elements of the Rite of Baptism.
- Thank you for your contribution to the **Annual Christmas Collection**. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.
- Dunhill Multi Education Centre are delighted to welcome the return of their very popular **Winter Lecture Series 2016** with Julian Walton. They kick off the series next Thursday 14th January at 8.00 p.m. with “Cardinal Wiseman (1802-1865) and his family’s Waterford origins”. The series will run for ten weeks and will finish on Thursday 24th March. Cost is €5.00 per lecture. A full list of all ten lectures is available on www.dunhilleducation.com or on their Facebook page or calling 051-396934. They look forward to welcoming you back again and hopefully see some new faces too!
- A **New Year Bingo Night** takes place in Fenor School Hall, this Friday 15th January starting at 8.00 p.m. All the money raised will be ploughed back into the community so we urge you to come along and enjoy the night.
- Next weekend we welcome the pupils from both schools and their parents to 6.00 p.m. Mass in Fenor Church for the **Confirming Our Children Mass**. We ask you to pray for them at this important time in their lives. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in our parish at the Immaculate Conception Church, Fenor, on Thursday, 07th April.
- You will find an extra yellow envelope in your box at home for next week entitled ‘**Parish Development Fund**’. Recognising that there’s an amount of repair work been done on the roof of Fenor Church at present and an amount of internal structure work also to be done in the future the Parish Finance Council has advised that we prepare with two extra collections again this year, in January and June that will be necessary to complete the various works. Thanks for your support.
- The 58th Annual **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** takes place this year from Monday, June 06th, to Saturday, June 11th. This year’s pilgrim fare is €735. For pilgrim information and bookings please contact the Pilgrimage Office, St. John’s Pastoral Centre, Waterford. Tel: 051-878900. If you are unwell and are interested in going to Lourdes, please contact Mary Power on 086-0685213. Bookings are now been taken.
- Don’t forget to keep registering for the **10th Anne Valley Challenge** on Saturday 6th February. There is a special online price of €10.00 to celebrate the 10th anniversary. A good day out is guaranteed and there will be lots of prize categories. It has been voted in the top six short races in Ireland. Shower facilities available and refreshments will be served afterwards in Harney’s bar. Registration can be done on the day in Harney’s bar from 9.00 a.m. or online at www.annevalleyrunning.webs.com. All proceeds from this year’s race go to the Jack and Jill foundation.
- If you need to contact **Dunhill Church** office for any reason the opening hours are: Monday to Friday from 9.30 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. The contact phone number is: 051-396892.
- The Catholic Marriage and Counselling Service **Accord** offers marriage and relationship counselling to anyone who is going through a difficult time. Their fully trained counsellors are there to listen in complete confidence and help to find your solutions to your problems. For more information contact Accord at St John’s Pastoral Centre, John’s Hill, Waterford, on 051-878333 or visit www.accord.ie.
- **Enough Light for the Next Step** Often we want to be able to see into the future. We say “how will the new year be for me?” There is no answer to this question. Mostly we have enough light to see the next step; what we have to do in the coming hour, or the following day. The art of living is to enjoy what we can see and not complain about what remains in the dark. When we are able to take the next step with trust, we can walk through life with joy and be surprised at how far we can go.
- **Last week’s** Parish Collection: Masses €318.56 and Envelopes €575.90. Thank you for your continued support.