

Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, 7th February 2016

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✕ Sunday, February 7 th <i>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass in Dunhill Church at 9.30 a.m.
Monday, February 8th – <i>St. Jerome</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday, February 9th – <i>Shrove Tuesday</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Wednesday, February 10th <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m. Dunhill Church 9.30 a.m.
Thursday, February 11th – <i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Friday, February 12th – <i>St. Damien</i> <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m. Fenor Church from 11.00 a.m. until 12 noon
Saturday, February 13th	Fenor Church at 6.00 p.m.

- This last Sunday before Lent is always known as **Temperance Sunday** and it often reminds us of the work of the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association. Why not check out their wonderful website at www.pioneerassociation.ie.
- This Wednesday is **Ash Wednesday** and it marks the beginning of Lent. Blessed ashes will be distributed during the 9.30 a.m. Mass in Dunhill Church. It is a day of **Fast and abstinence**, beginning a time when we can look at giving up or cutting down on some of the things we indulge ourselves on. Fasting is cutting down on what you eat, drink and smoke. Abstinence means not eating meat or meat dishes. Whatever you save, give to those in need. Trócaire boxes will be available at the back of the church. Please take one home with you and put it in a prominent place.
- **Why is it called Lent?** Lent is an old English word meaning 'lengthen'. Lent is observed in spring, when the days begin to get longer.
- We **will not** have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Dunhill Church on Ash Wednesday but will resume the following Wednesday with the **Stations of the Cross** to continue throughout Lent.
- This year **World Day of Sick** takes place on this Thursday 11th February. Remember in your prayers, those members of our Christian Community of Dunhill & Fenor who are ill at home or in hospital at this time, that the Lord may make them comfortable in their illness and help them towards a speedy recovery and help their loved ones to care for them.
- The **Julian Walton Winter Lecture Series** continues this Thursday, 11th February in the Dunhill Multi Education Centre at 8.00 p.m. This week's lecture will be given by Julian Walton on the topic "Powers and Beresford's: Curraghmore lives on, 1960-1790". Admission is €5.00, including refreshments. All are welcome.
- **Bingo Night** this coming Friday 12th February at Fenor School Hall, fun and prizes to be had. All are welcome.
- **Dunhill N.S.** is now taking enrolments for September. Applications should be in by February 15th. Phone 396383.
- The **Dunhill Lourdes Fund** would like to send a number of parishioners on the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes this June and if you, or anyone you know, would like to be considered either as a pilgrimage or a youth or adult helper, can they please leave the names into the sacristy as soon as possible.
- Next weekend we welcome the pupils from both schools and their parents to 9.30 a.m. Mass in Dunhill 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.
- The Priory Institute: **Bringing Theology Home. Theology matters!** Join this great student community and study theology from home. Application deadline is 22nd February. Phone (01) 404 8124. Email: equies@prioryinstitute.com
- **Patrick W Kenny was buried in 1931 in grave no. 207 in Dunhill cemetery.** He was a member of the first Seanad. Somebody is writing a book for the centenary of the first Dáil and would be glad of any information, especially on his date of birth. If anybody can help with this contact Monsignor O' Mahoney 051-381525.
- All residents of the Dunhill, Fenor, Boatstrand, Annewstown area are invited to the **DFBA Community Enterprises Ltd** AGM on Tuesday February 16th at 7.30 p.m. in the Dunhill Multi Education Centre. Speakers will give an update for plans for the area. The CEO of Waterford Leader Partnership Mr Jimmy Taaffe will speak about new funding possibilities. We need new members on our Board of Directors. Anyone interested should apply to the company secretary, who is based at the Ecopark in Dunhill.
- **Marriage in 2016??** Whatever year you plan for, don't forget a Pre-Marriage Course. After all, you are planning for a lifetime, not just for the wedding day. Check the Accord website for dates – and act in good time, as a limited number of couples are taken on each course.
- **Looking at Life** Two men look out through the same bars of the same window in their cell; one sees only the mud and the other sees the stars....
- **Last week's** Parish Collection: Masses €307.17 and Envelopes €613.40. Thank you for your continued support.