

Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, 27th March 2016

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✘ Easter Sunday <i>The Resurrection of the Lord</i>	Mass in Dunhill Church at 9.00 a.m. Mass in Fenor Church at 10.00 a.m.
Easter Monday, Bank Holiday	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore at 10.00 a.m. only
Easter Tuesday, March 28th	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m. only
Easter Wednesday, March 29th <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, at 10.00 a.m. only Dunhill Church from 11.00 a.m. until 12 noon
Easter Thursday, March 30th	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m. only
Easter Friday, March 31st <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m. only Fenor Church from 11.00 a.m. until 12 noon
Easter Saturday, May 1st	Mass in Fenor Church at 6.00 p.m.

- The **Annual Easter Collection for the support of the Bishop and Priests** (Easter Dues) is being taken up at all Masses this weekend. This collection provides the priests of the diocese with their wages. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated. Sincere thanks to those who prepare and distribute envelopes to all the homes in the parish.
- Thanks to all who participated in the **Holy Week ceremonies** recently and particularly those who were involved in the preparations for both events.
- Please return your **Trócaire Boxes** to the Church. Don't forget those who are less well off than we are. As you have practiced self denial, hopefully the box has got heavier. Your generous support will help many people in the developing world.
- Fenor Easter **Bingo Night** tonight at 8.00 p.m. in Fenor School Hall. All are welcome, great prizes to be had.
- Mercy Sunday as part of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy, **Divine Mercy Devotions** will be held at Knock on Sunday April 3rd from 12.45 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Concelebrated Mass at 3.00 p.m. by chief celebrant and homilist, Most Rev. Phonsie Cullinan Bishop of Waterford and Lismore.
- **Beginning Experience:** is a worldwide specially designed Support Programme for men and women who have suffered the loss of a spouse by death or separation. The next weekend is being held at the Ennismore Retreat Centre, Cork from Friday April 8th to Sunday April 10th For further details please contact 0879886480 or email: beginningexperiencecork@gmail.com
- **The Door of Mercy which opens to joy serenity and liberation** Sr. Marie Fahy, Abbess of St. Mary's Abbey, Glencairn will host an evening of reflection for our Year of Mercy events. It will be held in the Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity on Wednesday 13th April at 7.30 p.m. The evening will begin with prayer at the Holy Door, before Sr. Marie begins her reflection. Please join us for this special event.
- **Why do we give Easter Eggs?** Eggs used to be a forbidden food during Lent, making them a welcome return to the menu on Easter Day. For Christians eggs symbolise new life. We believe that through Christ's resurrection, Jesus defeated death and sin and offers people the promise of eternal life if we follow his teaching. Eggs have been a symbol of continuing life and resurrection since pre-Christian spring celebrations. Eggs had a religious significance in many ancient civilizations. Egyptians buried eggs in their tombs as did the Greeks. A Roman proverb stated "All life comes from an egg". Its probably no surprise that Christians should also adopt the egg to symbolise the resurrection of Christ. The first eggs given at Easter were bird's eggs. These eggs were painted in bright colours to give them further meaning as a gift. And to represent the new life of spring.
- **The Empty Tomb** The disciples are in a state of shock after their traumatic loss. Jesus, the one in whom they had placed so much hope, has been murdered and buried. Then, before they have time to recover, they get another shock. The body of Jesus is missing. Have there been times in your relationship with God when you have felt that you were faced with an empty tomb and still believed!
- **Last week's** Parish Collection: Masses €362.72 and Envelopes €836.30. Thank you for your continued support.

*May the Risen Lord fill your heart
with peace & joy this Easter! Alleluia!*

