Dunhill and Fenor Parish Baptismal Team

Group: Kitty Murphy, Sharon Hogan, Pat O'Shea, Susie Moore, Breda Halley

The Dunhill and Fenor Parish Baptismal Team was set up in 2009. We attended a one day Baptism Workshop in the Sacred Heart Church, The Folly, Waterford.

How is the Baptismal Team administered to the Parish?

The Parish Office Secretary notifies Breda Halley (Administrator for the Baptismal Team) by email to let her know of the upcoming Baptisms at least a month beforehand. Breda assigns a Baptismal Team person to the Baby's family. Breda on behalf of the Dunhill and Fenor Parish Baptismal Team, congratulates the baby's parent(s) and confirms with them who is the Baptismal Team person who will be making contact/calling to them.

Sometimes we may have to travel to Tramore and Waterford City. A Baptism Book, Readings etc. is given to the child's parent(s) for the Ceremony. We go through the Baptism Ceremony with the Baby's parent(s). We also have to check that the Birth Certificate is submitted to the Parish Secretary. We too have to make sure that the Godparents have their Confirmation made and be at least 16 years old. (see attached page)

We have been instructed from the beginning to be present at the Baptism on the day. The Baby's parent(s) do like us there with them.

The Baptismal Team is playing a vital role in Dunhill and Fenor as we are the first point of contact to the Parish if they are new to the area.

Since the Baptismal Team has been in place, we wish to acknowledge Mary Power, the Dunhill Church Chaplain and Ita O'Reilly, Fenor Church Chaplain for their time and kindness given to us. May we take this opportunity to thank sincerely, Parish Secretary Margaret for her cooperation and administration given to our Baptismal Team.

I attach the two forms that is given to the Parent(s) of the Child to be baptised.

Susie Moore has asked me to take her off the Baptismal Team.

Kithy Murphy

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