

Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, October 8th 2017

☩ Sunday, October 8th <i>27th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass in Dunhill Church at 9.30 a.m. <i>Anniversary Mass for Father Paul Keane</i> <i>Pray for Biddy Power</i>
Monday, October 9th	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday, October 10th	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Wednesday, October 11th – <i>St Canice</i> <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m. <i>Dunhill Church from 11.00 a.m. until 12 noon</i>
Thursday, October 12th – <i>St Wilfred</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Friday, October 13th – <i>St Edward</i> <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m. <i>Fenor Church from 11.00 a.m. until 12 noon</i>
Saturday, October 14th	Mass in Fenor Church at 6.00 p.m. <i>Anniversary Mass for Tina Purcell</i> <i>Pray for Michael & Margaret Weldon</i>

- **Autumn Collection** The Collection for the support of the Priests of the Parish was taken up at all masses last weekend. Many thanks to all those who contributed. We also thank all those who distributed collection envelopes to the houses in the parish. If you have forgotten to bring your envelope, please bring it with you next weekend, or drop it into the sacristy during the week. We are most grateful for your generous support.
- Last weekend a rare and joyful event took place in our parish community. **Brendan Gallagher was ordained a Permanent Deacon** for our diocese by Bishop Cullinan. Having felt a call to become a deacon, Brendan applied to the diocese and spent four years training, which included periods of pastoral work, academic study and liturgical formation. Brendan will exercise his diaconate in three key ways: (1) assisting at liturgies, especially the Mass, (2) proclaiming the Word of God and preaching on it, and (3) performing works of charity and service in Christ's name. These include various roles such as presiding over public prayer, administering Baptism, assisting at and blessing marriages, bringing Viaticum to the dying and conducting funeral rites. In each of these, the faithful recognise in the deacon the presence of Christ himself, who came not to be served but to serve. It will therefore fall to Brendan to minister and serve in Jesus' name in these roles in the coming years. We in Dunhill and Fenor pray for him, that his ministry may bring abundant fruitfulness and joy both to him and to all whom he serves. Brendan is the second permanent deacon ordained for Waterford and Lismore; the first was Lazarus Gidolf, who was ordained in June 2015 and who currently ministers in the Clonmel area.
- As we prepare for the World meeting of Families in 2018, **Elma Walsh, mother of Donal Walsh RIP, from the Donal Walsh Foundation, Co. Kerry** will present to us her thoughts on Mary our Spiritual Mother, and being a mother today, and having to bear the cross of losing her son Donal to cancer. Donal touched so many lives when he came to prominence through his writings and subsequent appearance on Brendan O'Connor's 'The Saturday Night Show'. The Donal Walsh #LivelifeFoundation was set up by his family primarily in order to promote his anti suicide #Livelife message. Please join us in The Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity on Thursday 19th October at 7.30 p.m. All are welcome
- **October - The Month of the Holy Rosary.** October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to the fact that the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on October 7th. 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. Pope John Paul II had called the Rosary his favourite prayer, in which we meditate with Mary upon the mysteries which she as a mother meditated on in her heart.
- Date for your diary **Fenor Sale of Work** will take place on Sunday, December 1st, in Fenor National School. Tickets will be available shortly for the Fenor hamper.
- **Thought for the week** Ability is what you're capable of doing. Motivation determines what you do. Attitude determines how well you do it.
- **Last week's** Parish Collection: Masses €241.89 & Envelopes €385.88. Thank you for your continued support.