

Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, November 5th 2017

☩ Sunday, November 5th <i>31st Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass in Dunhill Church at 9.30 a.m. <i>Anniversary Mass for Lexie Murphy's doner & family</i> <i>Pray for Tommy Murray</i>
Monday, November 6th	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday, November 7th	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Wednesday, November 8th	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 <i>Dunhill Church from 11.00 a.m. until 12 noon</i>
Thursday, November 9th	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Friday, November 10th <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, November 11th	Mass in Fenor Church at 6.00 p.m. <i>Anniversary Mass for Kathleen Hearne</i>

- The **Holy Souls Novena** will begin in Fenor Church at 6.00 p.m. on Saturday evening 18th November and will continue for nine days between both churches. The Novena will continue the next day Sunday 19th at 9.30 a.m. Mass in Dunhill. Please return your November List of relatives and friends as soon as possible so that we can include them in our prayers each day, a dedicated prayer space for the Holy Souls will be set up in both churches. More details next week.
- **Evening of Remembrance** facilitated by Ann O'Farrell will take place in St. John's Pastoral Centre on Thursday 9th November at 7.30 p.m. A sacred space to honour family, friends and those who have died. You are invited to a time of prayerful reflection during this special month. The evening will include Scripture reading, personal prayer, silence and music.
- The **Annual Community Care Christmas Party** takes place this year on Sunday, December 10th starting at 1.30 p.m. in the G.A.A. Centre, Dunhill. We hope that all the usual volunteers will help out and new volunteers are always welcome.
- **Tramore Knitting Club** meets every Friday in Tramore Library from 10.15 a.m. to 12 noon. Come along and have a chat in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. All are welcome.
- **Fenor Sale of Work** will take place on Sunday, December 3rd in Fenor National School. Tickets are now on sale for the Fenor hamper. If anyone can help in any way, please contact any committee member.
- **Choose Life Website - Life is precious.** Amidst all the rich variety of life on earth, human life is cause for special wonder. We alone can contemplate the beauty around us. We alone can create art and music and literature to express this beauty. We alone can love one another. Each human being has the capacity to experience and express this beauty and love in a unique way and, in doing so, to enrich others. We know that we did not create the beauty and the love around us. We know that we did not create ourselves. When we say that human life is sacred we are recognising something that is sensed not only by religious people but by everyone who appreciates the wonder of human life. As human beings we depend on one another and so others have the right to expect something from us – it is the right to be recognised and respected and never to be treated as less than he or she is. That is true at every moment of our life – from its first beginnings to its natural end. The Choose Life website is an initiative of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference. Every human life is beautiful, every human life is precious. Choose Life
- **Gardening the Soul** What is it about life that compels us to look in the places of the dead? Why do tombs and graveyards exert such a magnetic attraction for us, so that we feel compelled to visit the graves of dead friends and relatives or the tombs of the mighty? I believe we visit places of the dead because we know that we are 'in-between' people, who exist in the now of time, and at the same time in the 'not yet' of the final coming. We are always in the now and on the way, and we know somewhere in us that we are an Easter people, a people with hope even in the darkness and suffering. We know instinctively that death and life are one and that death does not mean separation of the spirit. Rather it is a unity of the spirits in some mysterious way. The dead are closer to us in spirit than they were when they were alive. (*Sr. Stan*)
- **Last week's** Parish Collection: Masses €316.82 Envelopes €370.90. Thank you for your continued support.