

## Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, December 31<sup>st</sup> 2017

✠ <b>Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup></b> <i>The Holy Family</i>	Mass in Dunhill Church at 9.30 a.m. <i>Anniversary Mass for Michael, Margaret &amp; Noel Dunphy</i> <i>Pray for James &amp; Mary Allen &amp; their sons John &amp; Patrick Joseph</i>
<b>Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup></b>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
<b>Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
<b>Wednesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
<b>Thursday, January 4<sup>th</sup></b>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m.
<b>Friday, January 5<sup>th</sup></b>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 10.00 a.m. <i>Vigil Mass in Fenor Church, at 6.00 p.m.</i>
<b>Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord</i>	<b>Mass in Dunhill Church at 9.30 a.m.</b> <i>Anniversary Mass for John &amp; Ellen White</i> <b>Mass in Fenor Church at 6.00 p.m.</b> <i>Anniversary Mass for Bobby &amp; Mary Power</i>
<b>Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Mass in Dunhill Church at 9.30 a.m.</b> <i>Anniversary Mass for Joseph &amp; Marian O' Keeffe</i>

- The priests would like to **thank you** for your continued support and contribution to the recent Christmas Collection. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.
- There will be **no 7.30 a.m. Mass** in Tramore for the month of January.
- On behalf of all the parishioners of our parish, we would like to extend a very **sincere and heartfelt word of gratitude** to all those who helped out in any way in our parish over the past year. In particular, we thank the members of the Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Finance Council and all their sub-committees; Mary Power & Ita O'Reilly who take such great care in looking after the sacristies and the churches; and all those who help them throughout the year; all who help with the upkeep of all the parish properties, the Property Committee and all its advisors; those who decorate the churches throughout the year with beautiful floral arrangements; those who work in the background with things that need doing, such as erecting cribs and Christmas trees, fixing things, changing things, mending things, and so many other things which need doing throughout the year. We thank our secretaries for their dedication; those who distribute envelopes; collectors in church and those who count the collection weekly; the musicians and choirs who lead us in song and especially for all the extra work they do for the major liturgies; Ministers of the Word and Eucharist; and the Altar Servers for their commitment and service. We thank the teachers in both schools for helping to pass on the faith to our children. May the peace of the child Jesus be with you all this Christmas and throughout the coming year.
- Friday is the **First Friday** of January, Brendan Gallagher will be visiting the sick and housebound with the Blessed Sacrament. If you, or anyone you know, would like to receive Holy Communion please let us know at the parish office (396892) or contact Brendan on 086-2641547 as soon as possible.
- The 2018 series of the **Dunhill History Lectures** will begin on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January, in the Dunhill Multi Education Centre at 8.00 p.m. The first speaker will be Julian Walton and his title is: '*Despicable jackals and gallant submariners: Waterford in the U-boat campaign of World War One*' The series will continue every Thursday evening until 22<sup>nd</sup> March. The full programme will be announced shortly. We hope you will be able to attend.
- **Let It Go....** Another year is drawing to a close. It is a time to forgive and forget, to put aside hurt and disappointment. It is a time to remember happy days and unexpected kindnesses. Perhaps, also a time to make new resolutions, though most of us can find them difficult to keep. In the words of Tennyson, 'Ring out the old, Ring in the new, Ring, happy bells, across the snow; The year is going, let him go, Ring out the false, Ring in the true.' Don't be afraid to let the old year go, a fresh New Year is waiting. May it hold great faith, health, happiness, love and friendship for each one of us.
- **You are not alone** When you have shut the doors and made a darkness within, remember never to say that you are alone; for you are not alone, but God is within.