

Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, February 25th 2018

☩ Sunday, February 25th <i>2nd Sunday of Lent</i>	Mass in Dunhill Church at 9.30 a.m. <i>Anniversary Mass for Patsy Power & Allie & Patrick Morrissey</i> <i>Pray for Kitty O' Brien</i>
Monday, February 26th	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday, February 27th – <i>St Gadriel</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Wednesday, February 28th – <i>St Oswald</i> <i>Stations of the Cross</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, March 1st – <i>St David of Wales</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Friday, March 2nd <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, March 3rd	Mass in Fenor Church at 6.00 p.m. <i>Anniversary Mass for Linda McLoughlin</i> <i>Pray for Paddy & Margaret Power</i>

- **Renovation of Parish Hall** Work is progressing well on the renovation of Parish Hall in Dunhill which is on track for an official opening over the summer as a multi-purpose venue for the whole community. On Tuesday 27th February at 8.00 p.m. Friends of Dunhill Hall will hold a meeting to kick-off planning for events to mark the re-opening of the Hall. All who live in Dunhill, Fenor, Boatstrand, Annestown or further afield who have a connection or interest are welcome.
- **Amoris: Pope Francis invites us to reflect on love, marriage and family.** Over three evenings, February 26th, March 5th and March 12th come and be part of the conversation in Glór na Mara Primary School. The first meeting will take place on Monday 26th February at 7.30 p.m.
- **Lent** The true significance of Lent is not what I give up for God but the awesome sacrifice that Christ made for me, and the self denial and suffering that was involved. Any sacrifice of ours should be a reminder to us of that great sacrifice, and not a source of merely personal satisfaction. Our sacrifice is between God and ourselves and should be kept private. This year you might also like to think of doing a special act of kindness for someone every day
- During Lent, as part of our Wednesday Adoration, we will celebrate the **Stations of the Cross and Benediction** each Wednesday starting at 11.00 a.m. Why not make an effort to join us for this prayer time?
- The 2018 series of the **Dunhill History Lectures** continues this Thursday 1st March, in the Dunhill Multi Education Centre. The speaker will be Julian Walton and his title is: *'Lions in the bedroom, painting the town red, and the rake reformed: Henry, third Marquess of Waterford, 1811-1859.'* Lectures begin at 8.00 p.m. We hope you will be able to attend and that you will encourage others with an interest in our local history and heritage to come along.
- Friday is the **First Friday** of March and 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.
- An **Evening of Taizé** with the Island of Ireland Peace Choir will take place in the Edmond Rice Centre, Waterford on Friday 2nd March at 8.00 p.m. All are welcome.
- **On Care for our Common Home.** A conference exploring responses to Pope Francis Encyclical *'On care for our Common Home'* will aim to identify local, practical and implementable actions that the Church and groups affiliated to Waterford PPN can undertake to help increase awareness of the increasingly disastrous effects of climate change and damage to our natural eco systems. Climate change and Biodiversity thus become the two major themes of this conference. St. Paul's Parish Centre, Saturday 3rd March, 9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. Registration is €5.00. Keynote address, Fr. Sean McDonagh and other panellists. All are welcome.
- **"GROW IN LOVE"** Our next gathering for boys and girls making their First Holy Communion takes place next weekend March 3rd at the 6.00 p.m. Mass in Fenor Church. We welcome them and their parents, and we wish them every good wish and blessing on their journey to meet Jesus at their First Holy Communion.
- **Last week's** Parish Collection: Masses €320.81 Envelopes €422.35. Thank you for your continued support.