



Dunhill & Fenor

Parish Notes

20th October

2019



October is the month of the Missions, Many people from the parish of Dunhill & Fenor served vocations to the Missions long ago. Today in our newsletter we feature Fr. James Foran from our parish. It is an effort to share with the wider community that the families had lovingly treasured for so long. It is also an attempt to preserve a little bit of history of the parish of Dunhill & Fenor of years gone but not forgotten

Fr James Foran Roman Catholic priest

Fr James was born on 5 December 1823 at Whitefield, Fenor, Co Waterford, eighth of the eleven children (nine boys and two girls) of Michael Foran and Bridget, née Dooley. He was a grandnephew of Dr. Nicholas Foran, Catholic bishop of Waterford and Lismore. His early education was at a Latin School close to home; then at St John's College, Waterford. Subsequently he studied theology at Maynooth College, where he was ordained in 1857. In 1860 he moved to a new mission at Walker near Newcastle. He dearly loved the people of Walker and during the next fifteen years he built a large church, a presbytery and several schools.

Somehow Fr Foran became aware of the precarious spiritual condition of Catholics in the Falklands. He appealed to his bishop Dr. Chadwick to be allowed to work there; the bishop agreed and Cardinal Manning was involved in making all the various arrangements with the relevant Vatican authorities to allow Fr Foran to work in the Islands. He left Walker on 17 September 1875 on the long sea journey.

Solitude and the harsh climatic conditions took their toll and so from 1881 Fr Foran divided his time, between his mission to the Islanders and the rural Irish community in Argentina. During the next five years he resided at San Nicolás de los Arroyos (Province of Buenos Aires) and travelled back and forth between the Islands and Argentina via Buenos Aires and Montevideo.

Age Action: Beginners Computer Courses These courses are starting on Thursday Oct 24th, from 11.15 a.m to 1.15p.m in Bank of Ireland, The Quay, Waterford (next to Shaw's), and will run for 5 Thursdays. These courses are free, but participants must have their own laptop/smartphone/tablet. Registration is through Age Action Dublin 01-4756989.

Please take the newsletter home with you or to a neighbour / relative or friend.

Last week's Parish Collection:
Masses €344.21
Envelopes €526.00. Thank you for your continued support.

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Saturday, October 19th	Mass in Fenor Church at 6.00 p.m. <i>Anniversary Mass for Mikey McNamara</i>
Sunday, October 20th	Mass in Dunhill Church at 9.30 a.m. <i>Anniversary Mass Seán & May Gooney</i>
Saturday, October 26th	Mass in Fenor Church at 6.00 p.m. <i>Anniversary Mass for Meave Keating</i>
Sunday, October 27th	Mass in Dunhill Church at 9.30 a.m. <i>Anniversary Mass for Michael White</i>



The most important day of this month is today, **World Mission Sunday.** This is the one Sunday in the year that Pope Francis asks you to pray a little stronger and dig a little deeper so that faith, hope and love can flourish. Contributions given on World Mission Sunday will support the fearless and selfless work of our missionaries, who live shoulder-to-shoulder with people in communities that are struggling and often war-torn. Today is a time for you to fully appreciate the dedication of these missionaries who are there before, during and after any crisis.

“Confirming Our Children” next weekend at the 6.00 p.m. Mass in Fenor Church, we welcome the children who are making their Confirmation in 2020, and their parents to the *Enrolment* during the first Mass of our parish preparation program. Please remember them in your prayers at this important time in their lives.

Suffering never leaves us as it finds us! It helps us to sort out what is important and what is not important in our lives.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday Dunhill Church, **Friday** Fenor Church (both from 11.00 a.m. until 12 noon)

Daily Mass : Holy Cross Church, Tramore at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.



Parish Office hours Wed 9.30 am to 14.00 pm. 396892