

Dunhill & Fenor Parish Notes, 27th April 2014

☩ Sunday, April 27th <i>Second Sunday of Easter – Divine Mercy Sunday</i>	Mass in Dunhill Church at 9.30 a.m.
Monday, April 28th <i>St Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday, April 29th <i>St Catherine of Siena</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Wednesday, April 30th <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m. Dunhill Church from 11.00 a.m. until 12 noon
Thursday, May 01st – <i>St Joseph,</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m.
Friday, May 02nd – <i>St Athanasius, Bishop</i> <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. & 10.00 a.m. Fenor Church from 11.00 a.m. until 12 noon
Saturday, May 03rd <i>SS Philip and James, Apostles</i>	Mass in Fenor Church at 6.00 p.m.

- **Sincere thanks** to all who contributed to the Easter Collection for the support of the Bishop and Priests which was taken up last weekend. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.
- Today, is known as **Divine Mercy Sunday**, and celebrations in honour of The Divine Mercy will be held at Holy Cross Church, Tramore, this (Sunday) afternoon beginning with Confessions at 2.30 p.m. Holy Mass will be celebrated at 3.00 p.m. by Fr Eamon O’Driscoll. Today we also celebrate the canonization of Pope John Paul II and Pope John XXIII by Pope Francis in Saint Peter’s Square in Rome. During their papacies they consistently reached out to the poor and provided the courageous leadership necessary to keep the Church on course through tumultuous times. We should pray confidently for their intercession and look to their lives for inspiration in our own.
- Please return your **Trócaire Box** to the parish as soon as possible if you haven’t already done so. Thank you.
- A tea and coffee morning to mark **Alzheimer’s Tea Day** will take place in Harney’s, Dunhill, on Thursday, May 8th, from 10.00 a.m. until 12.30 p.m. in aid of the Alzheimer’s Association. Come along and enjoy a cuppa as your support for this very worthy cause would be greatly appreciated.
- Friday is the **First Friday** of May 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) as soon as possible.
- Next Sunday, May 5th, is the feast day of **Blessed Edmund Rice**, and from this Tuesday, April 29th until Monday, May 5th the occasion will be marked at Mount Sion. On Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday Masses will be celebrated in the Edmund Rice Chapel at 8.00 p.m. On Saturday and Sunday Mass will be celebrated at 10.00 a.m. Please join them for any or all of the events. All are welcome. For more information, check out the web site: www.edmundrice.ie
- **Dr. Mark Rowe from the Waterford Health Park** will present “A Prescription for Happiness.” in the Dunhill Multi Education Centre on Tuesday May 13th at 7.30pm. He describes this as “A stimulating and entertaining evening to equip you with a tool kit for wellbeing – a prescription for Cultivating inner happiness”. Admission is €10.
- The annual door to door collection by the **Dunhill Lourdes Committee** will be held during the next few weeks. Your support to help send pilgrims and helpers to Lourdes in June would be greatly appreciated.
- Waterford Rotary Club is hosting its annual **Sponsored Cycle** in aid of the Ronald McDonald House which provides accommodation for parents with children in Our Lady’s Children’s Hospital, Crumlin. The cycle takes place on Sunday, 11th May, at 11.00 a.m., from McDonald’s, Cork Road, Waterford, to Tramore and back. Entry forms from McDonald’s, Cork Road, Nolke Opticians at Ardkeen or www.facebook.com/waterfordrotaryclub
- The **Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock** will take place on Sunday, May 04th, 2014. The train departs Waterford at 6.45 a.m. The Knock pilgrimage season takes place from April 28th – October 13th, 2013. For details visit www.knock-shrine.ie
- **Questions people ask** – Fr Silvester O’Flynn OFM Cap. Email silvesteroflynn80@gmail.com
- **Question:** Every now and then I feel a call from God to priesthood. What should I do about it? The thought of a lifetime commitment to celibacy puts me off. **Answer:** Pray for discernment and talk with a priest, preferably one who knows you. Celibacy is a daunting prospect if you focus on what you would be giving up. But celibacy may be seen in a different light as a grace offered by God to commit oneself bodily, mentally and spiritually to the service of Christ and his Church. For me personally, celibacy is not about the possible intimate relationship and family I never would have, but about a daily relationship with Jesus, especially in the celebration of the Eucharist.
- Last week’s **Parish Collection:** Masses €469.03 & Envelopes €579.20. Thank you for your continued support.