

<p>☒ <b>Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup></b> <i>First Sunday of Advent</i></p>	<p><b>Mass in Dunhill Church at 9.30 a.m.</b></p>
<p><b>Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup></b> – <i>St. Andrew, apostle</i></p>	<p>Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. &amp; 10.00 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup></b> – <i>St. Chromatius</i></p>	<p>Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. &amp; 10.00 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup></b> – <i>St. Francis Xavier</i> <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i></p>	<p>Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. &amp; 10.00 a.m. <b><i>Dunhill Church from 11.00 a.m. until 12 noon</i></b></p>
<p><b>Thursday, December 4<sup>th</sup></b> – <i>St. John Damascene</i></p>	<p>Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. &amp; 10.00 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup></b> – <i>St. Crispina</i> <i>(Months Mind: Nellie Burns RIP)</i> <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i></p>	<p>Mass in Holy Cross Church, Tramore, at 7.30 a.m. &amp; 10.00 a.m. Mass in Dunhill Church at 7.30 p.m. <b><i>Fenor Church from 11.00 a.m. until 12 noon</i></b></p>
<p><b>Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup></b> – <i>St. Nicholas, bishop</i></p>	<p><b>Mass in Fenor Church at 6.00 p.m.</b></p>

- The **Parish Youth Group** meets again in the Ecopark, Dunhill on Monday next December 1<sup>st</sup> from 7.30 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. New members, who are post junior certificate teenagers from the parish or adjacent areas, are all welcome to participate. Thanks to all the parents who have helped set up this new organisation.
- **DFBA Annual General Meeting and Elections** Minister Paudie Coffey TD will address this meeting next Thursday Dec 4<sup>th</sup> starting at 7.30 sharp. There will be an update on local developments and a report on the Copper Coast. All residents of the Dunhill, Fenor, Boatstrand and Annestown areas are encouraged to attend. Nominations for election to the board close this Wednesday at 5.00 p.m. Forms are available from [senan@dunhillecopark.com](mailto:senan@dunhillecopark.com).
- A night of spirituality and prayer on the theme '**Lighting the Flame of Spirituality**' will be hosted in the Edmund Rice Chapel, Barrack Street, Waterford, this Friday, December 05<sup>th</sup>, at 8.00 p.m. All are welcome.
- St John's Parish Choir and guests present **an evening of carols and choral music** in aid of St Vincent de Paul on Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup> starting at 8.00 p.m. in St John's Church, Parnell Street, Waterford. There is no cover charge and all are welcome.
- The **Annual Community Care Christmas Party** will take place on Sunday next, December 7<sup>th</sup>, in the G.A.A. Centre, Dunhill. It is always a great occasion when the seniors in our community come together. We hope that all the usual volunteers will help out on the day and new volunteers are always welcome.
- Congratulations to all who helped organise the very successful Annual Fenor Sale of Work last Sunday. Many thanks also to everybody who supported, this year's event, as it has proved to be one of the most successful. The committee would like to wish everyone a very happy Christmas. A Christmas **Bingo Night**, will be held on Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, in Fenor National School commencing at 8.00 p.m. so mark it in your diary and come to join in. There will be many Christmas gifts to be won on the night with a jackpot of €250.00.
- **First Response initiative** Thanks to all the people who trained and qualified as First Responders to their community during the last few weeks. The re-certification programme worked very well. If anyone missed out, let us know and we will try to fit you into the last few sessions. For more details contact 087-9186709.
- **Advent Reflection:** Sometimes waiting feels good...like when we are looking forward to meeting someone or waiting to go on holidays...This kind of waiting is different to waiting frustrated for the bus to come, or the phone to ring. When it is good to wait, it is because we believe that we will be fulfilled, that something wonderful and great will happen. Advent invites us to wait ...to wait consciously ...to wait openly for God...to wait and to notice God in our lives...in the bits and pieces of everyday. Advent invites us to live each day in expectation...God is not in the past, in all our mistakes and failings and things we have left undone. God is not in the future, in all things we are rushing to do. God is in the present, trying to break through, to become incarnate in our world right now, in this moment. But only those who are waiting...expecting...watching for something wonderful...will notice.
- Next weekend we welcome the pupils from both schools and their parents to 9.30 a.m. Mass in Dunhill for the **Confirming Our Children Mass**. We ask you to pray for them at this important time in their lives. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in our parish at the Sacred Heart Church, Dunhill, on Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> April 2015.
- The 17<sup>th</sup> Waterford Rotary Christmas tree appeal will be starting next Thursday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, all funds raised will go to **Waterford Hospice**. As well as raising much needed funds in Waterford for the Hospice Foundation, the Memorial Tree Appeal provides people with a means of remembering their loved ones in a dignified and meaningful manner. Anyone interested in helping on the collection please contact a club member.
- Last week's **Parish Collection:** Masses €356.22 & Envelopes €503.00 Thank you for your continued support.