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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MATT DULLAGHAN





Happy New Year! As I write this, it's still below freezing with snow on the ground, but the temperature should be in the 50s for our monthly meeting this Thursday. I hope to see many of you there. We will have important

proposals, including discussion of an updated annual budget.

Think ticket sales! We're well into the season – we'll be organizing sales at several of the parishes, and we can always use help. Check the rest of the newsletter for more our committee's progress and plans for continued good sales. Also, our opportunities in some of our parishes are more limited once Lent begins. With Ash Wednesday falling so

early this year — February 14 — we'll need good early sales to stay on track to our goal.

Finally, the Church Hill Irish Festival (www.churchhillirishfe stival.com) will be on us before you know it. March 24 is coming up fast.

Until we meet again,

Sláinte mhaith agat!

Upcoming Events

NEXT Business Meeting at St. Joseph Church on January 11th, 2018 at 7 PM.

Regular Monthly Business Meetings are held at 7 PM on the 2nd Thursday of the month. No meetings are held during July and August.

Dues Notice

2018 Dues are payable starting this month.
Dues remain at \$40 and for those over 75, dues are \$20.

Pay at Division Meetings or mail check to:

Larry Kelly 1711 Bellevue Ave. D1216 Richmond, VA 23227

Please make checks payable to :

AOH Msgr. Kelly Division

A SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL THOSE INVOLVED ON THE KELLY TEAM GREAT EFFORT!





DIVISION ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS REPORT

2018 New Officers Installation

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The installation of our new officers will be held at the January 11th meeting. Please plan to attend this important meeting. A list of the officers is on page 5.

Members, please bring your sash.

Raffle Tickets

To those who have not received a book of raffle tickets yet, the Raffle Ticket Committee will have them available at each Division meeting. Please remember that the income derived from these sales supports our Division expenses and our contributions to local parishes and schools. The Committee thanks you for your participation.

Upcoming Events

January 23

Fourth Thursday, Sports Page Bar and Grill, 14245 Midlothian Turnpike

February 8

Monthly Meeting, Msgr. Kelly Division

March 24-25

Church Hill Irish Festival, 25th & Main The Irish Hunger Museum is a piece of Ireland in NYC



The Irish Hunger Memorial, designed collaboratively by artist Brian Tolle, landscape architect Gail Wittwer-Laird, and architecture firm 1100 Architect, is located on a 0.5-acre (0.20 ha) site at the corner of Vesey Street and North End Avenue in the Battery Park City neighborhood of Manhattan in New York City, and is dedicated to raising awareness of the Great Irish Famine. Referred to by the Irish as An Gorta Mór in Irish or "The Great Hunger" in English, the Famine killed over a million people in Ireland between 1845 and 1852.

Construction of the memorial began in March 2001, and despite the September 11 attacks on the nearby World Trade Center,

which also affected surrounding areas, the memorial was completed and dedicated on July 16, 2002.

The memorial is a plot landscaped with stones, soil, and native vegetation transported from the western coast of Ireland. It contains stones from all of the counties of Ireland.

The memorial also incorporates a reconstruction of an authentic Irish cottage of the 19th century. The cottage at the memorial is from Carradoogan in the parish of Attymass in County Mayo. The cottage belonged to the Slack familv but was deserted in the 1960s. The Slack family donated the cottage to the memorial in "memory of all the Slack family members of previous generations who emigrated to America and fared well there."

Ref: Wikipedia for more information.

Referred by:

by Diane Frost Tivnan-Virginia Ladies AOH. ANY GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS THAT POSSESSES A STRONG LEADERSHIP CADRE **AND** A CLOSE BONDED MEMBERSHIP IS A WINNING TEAM.

Ogham Stone

Tullygarran County Kerry





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A Bit of Irish Doings

2018 IS OFFICIALLY
THE YEAR OF THE
IRISH LANGUAGE



"BLIAIN NA GAEILGE 2018" AIMS TO CELE-BRATE THE LANGUAGE AND ENCOURAGE THE USE OF IRISH IN IRE-LAND AND ABROAD

Taoiseach Leo Varadkar has already given his blessing to the scheme which hopes to emulate the successful "Gathering" in 2013.

2018 marks the 125th anniversary of the language revival movement that was born with the founding of Conradh na Gaeilge – the Gaelic League.

"Throughout *Bliain na Gaeilge* we want to celebrate the Irish language and encourage as many people as possible to get involved," said Mr. Varadkar.

"Whether you are a fluent Irish speaker, if you are just learning the language, or if you haven't used your Irish in years, this is an opportunity to improve your fluency, learn more about the language and encourage your neighbors, friends and colleagues to embrace the language in their everyday lives."

Niall Comer, President of Conradh na Gaeilge, said: "Bliain na Gaeilge will give those fluent and those with the cúpla focal, or those interested in the Irish language throughout the world, a fantastic opportunity to use the language more.

"We are inviting the public to get involved in events organized during the year, to use more Irish during the year and, similar to the Gathering in 2013, to host their own events, be it a coffee morning through Irish or something even bigger."

As well as many fun-filled events, the celebrations will include a parade through Dublin to celebrate the language on March 3. In addition, a series of seminars will be held on a monthly basis around the world discussing the history, heritage and future of the revival of the Irish language.

Bliain na Gaeilge coordinator Síomha Ní Ruairc, said:

"125 years after the beginning of the Irish language revival, Bliain na Gaeilge gives us the chance to celebrate all that has been achieved for the language since 1893.

It is also a chance to put Irish and the challenges the language faces today at the heart of the national discourse."

From "Irish Central"

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St. Patrick's Day will be here soon!



Prayer List

Matt McGuire's father, Edward, diagnosed with Alzheimer's

Mike Dougherty and also his wife, Diana, who is recovering from the shingles; Mike's daughter-in-law Gale, who is recovering from heart bypass surgery and has kidney failure; also Mike's brother-in-law James Cramsie

Brian McLaughlin's parents Martin and Maryann. Rick Brennan's wife. **Greg Riley's** wife Sandra, recovering from surgery

Joyce Harrington-Last stage of Alzheimer's disease

In Memorium

Bonnie Walsh-mother of Kevin Walsh Irene McGee-Wife of Past President Michael McGee Yolanda Savelli-Sister of Diana Dougherty Kathleen Rodenburg-Wife of Brother George Rodenburg Patrick Hogan-Kevin Hogan's father Elwanda Cart-Glenda King's mother Ray Olson's sister

God grant them eternal rest



CLOSING THOUGHT/PRAYER

Hail glorious Saint Patrick, we honor thy name

Tho' Erin may claim thee, the world knows thy fame

The faith of our fathers is our treasure too

How holy that faith that they learned from you

Through crosses and trials its

fires burn bright

It shows us the way, the truth and the light

Great Saint intercede, that we always may be

Devoted and loyal true children of our heavenly father

And the Blessed Mother and thee

Our faith and devotion be ever like thine

Our thoughts be of Jesus, Our hearts, minds and souls be his shrine

And when to the end of life's path we have trod

Be near and intercede for us great bishop of God

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The Msgr. Charles Kelly, Jr. Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians was formed in December, 2009 and conducted it's first meeting on January 21, 2010 at St. John Neumann Church, Powhatan, Virginia. The next few meetings were taken up with election of officers and the many procedural items needed to get our group started.

Since that time we continue to grow, adding new members and supporting and donating to Catholic schools and Churches in the area, in line with our commitment to Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity.

For Further Information:

Contact Editor

WE'RE ON THE WEB!

Www.aohkelly.org



THE IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER

Take into consideration all those on our prayer list as well as those among the faithful departed. We are supporting the Knights of Columbus at St. John Neumann parish with their rosary tabulation (one million rosaries is the K of C goal). As our past state president used to encour-

age us, "Pray the Rosary." We have a LOT to pray for and pray about. In addition to those mentioned above we have a lot at stake in this upcoming election in November. I hope the US Constitution and the part about religious freedom still applies.



Links

AOH National Irish Museum-DC

AOH Virginia The Wild Geese

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