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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

## JACK SIMILA



**Jack Simila**  
2019 Division  
President

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**Greetings**  
**Brothers**

Wecome back from our summer break. I hope everyone had an enjoyable time with family and friends. As we start things back up we have a number of items to look forward to.

Our monthly meetings start up on September 12, 2019 at 7 pm at our regular meeting

place at St. Joseph's. Please plan on attending as we have a number of items to discuss. I look forward to seeing everyone there.

We also have our Hibernian picnic scheduled for September 14th at St. Joseph's. We still need to hear from a number of brothers in our membership about attending this event. Please contact Larry Kelly [jkelly1@verizon.net](mailto:jkelly1@verizon.net) or me at [jacksimila@gmail.com](mailto:jacksimila@gmail.com) with a head count and what side dish you can bring. The division will provide all the other essentials such as Hamburgers, hotdogs, water, soft drinks etc. This should be a fun time, I look forward to seeing you there.

Finally, the Central Virginia Celtic Festival & Highland Games are scheduled for October 26th and October 27th

2019 at the Richmond International Raceway. Please mark your calendars for this fun and important event. Remember this is where we kick off out ticket sales for the trip to Ireland.

Our National Hibernian Digest of August/ September has an *in memorium* notice about John "Irish Jack" Cassells, a founding member and past president of the James Dooley Division, AOH. Among all of his accomplishments, many of us will remember him at the St. Patrick's Festival each year on Church Hill.

### **In Our Motto**

Jack Simila, President

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### Upcoming Meetings

NEXT Business Meeting at St. Joseph Church on September 12th, 2019 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.



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## **A Little Irish History**

### **The Book of Kells**

Arguably the most famous artifact on display in Dublin is the Book of Kells (also known as the Book of Columba) at Trinity College. You simply can't travel to the cap-

bles, each Gospel has a summary and a preface. The book was created sometime around the year 800 but scholars have been unable to determine where. During the eleventh and twelfth centuries blank pages in the book were used to record property transactions at the monastery. In the fifteenth century, a poem was added. The book gets its name from the monastery of Kells, County Meath, Ireland. The book is

copied with entire words missing or long passages being repeated. The Book of Kells is created in the so-called Hiberno-Saxon style. The Hiberno-Saxon style first appeared in the seventh century and is a blend of the curvilinear motifs and elaborated initials of the Irish-Celtic tradition and Anglo-Saxon zoomorphic interlacing and bright coloring. The style is characterized by geometric design, large areas of color, and complicated interlaced patterns. The Book of Kells was brought to Dublin for safe-keeping and it has been in the possession of Trinity College since at least 1661. The book has been on display in Trinity College's Old Library since the middle of the nineteenth century and attracts an average of 500,000 visitors each year.



ital of Ireland without the Book of Kells being mentioned. And rightfully so. Together with the Gospels of Lindisfarne and the Book of Durrow, it is said that the Book of Kells is one of the greatest contributions to medieval art ever to come out of the British Isles.

The Book of Kells consists mainly of the four Gospels. Also found in the book are so-called canon tables, which are indexes of passages that occur in two or more of the Gospels. Added to these ta-

believed to have been brought to Kells following a Viking raid on the monastery on the island of Iona, Scotland, in 806. A debate centers on whether the book was begun on Iona and finished at Kells or if it was created only on Iona. Some scholars claim that the book is not connected to Iona at all, but was created entirely at Kells. It is believed that this book was made for display and ceremonial use, not to be read out loud. The reason for this is that the images are elaborate and detailed while the text is carelessly



Trinity College Library



### Prayer List

-**Mike Dougherty** and his wife, Diana. Also Mike's brother-in-law James Cramsie.

-**Dan Harrington**, recovering from surgery and undergoing treatment for Lukemia.

-**Sonny Dorish**, Recovering from Coronary Bypass Surgery.

-**Frank King**-Knee Surgery

-Jim Calpin, Neuropathy Pain

All those who have health problems

### In Memorium

-**Brother George Rodenburg**: George was a Charter Member of the Kelly Division and a strong Division supporter.

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 chil-  
dren 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:

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### 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.



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