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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Jack Simila
2020 Division President

Worthy Hibernian Brothers:

As we move closer to the end of the year, we are still deep in the COVID-19 pandemic, so it looks like another virtual division meeting. I hope everyone and your families are doing well. Please plan to attend our monthly meeting scheduled for this Thursday, November 12, 2020, at 7 pm.

I've sent an email out during the week inviting all members to join. If anyone is interested in joining the video meeting but unsure how

it works, I'll be happy to go over the particulars with you. Just give me a call at the number below. If video conferencing is not for you, we can arrange to join the meeting by audio.

With social distancing and our attempts to keep our families and each other safe, it isn't always easy to see each other or stay in touch. We certainly can be available by phone, and if any brother is in need or knows of a brother in need, please reach out to me or any of the members of our division. It's always good to have someone to talk with during these times of uncertainty.

There has been some news about a vaccine; we are unsure when it will be available but hopefully, soon. The sooner, the better. The vaccine will certainly get us closer to a more normal life, including meeting in person again.

Please be safe,

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Jack Simila

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Business Meetings

NEXT ZOOM Business Meeting on Nov. 12th, 2020 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 Bit of Irish History

A Short History Leading to the Good Friday Agreement

On 10 April 1998, a deal was reached to bring an end to Northern Ireland's Troubles, in what became known as the Good Friday Agreement. Here, historian Alan MacLeod investigates the long road of the peace process which sought to reconcile two different traditions in Ireland – and considers the legacy of the Agreement.

The Good Friday Agreement, reached on 10 April 1998, was a careful balancing act, reflecting the competing demands and aspirations of the different parties to the talks. Yet, despite the widespread euphoria that greeted the deal, this was only a beginning. Implementing the Agreement has been a difficult process, depending on the willingness of the political representatives of Northern Ireland's two communities to work together. That willingness has frequently been missing...

The background: the partition of Ireland

The partition of Ireland in 1921 followed more than a century of unrest between Britain and Ireland. Under the Act of Union of 1800 Ireland lost its parliament in Dublin and became governed directly from Westminster. For much of the 19th and into the 20th century, varying states of tension and conflict developed as unionists campaigned for Ireland to remain part of the UK,

while nationalists campaigned for either home rule or an independent Irish state. The issue of Irish home rule dominated domestic British politics from 1885 to the start of the First World War.

In April 1916, the Easter Rising shook Dublin, as a group of Irish nationalists proclaimed the establishment of an Irish Republic and clashed with British troops in the capital. The rising, which resulted in the loss of 450 lives and destroyed much of the centre of Dublin, was ended by the British within a week. However, the public mood shifted decisively when the 15 leaders of the rising were executed by the British authorities in May 1916. The executions and imposition of martial law fueled public resentment of the British. The next five tumultuous years, including the Irish War of Independence (1919–21), resulted in the end of British rule across most of Ireland.

The article above was excerpted from a longer article from www.historyextra.com, The official website for BBC History Magazine, BBC History Revealed and BBC World Histories Magazine.

Annual History Presentation

Dr. John Countryman, who gave the presentation last fall on the **Immrama** stories has agreed to give a Zoom presentation this year on the Irish "**Royal Sites**."

The Royal Sites of Ireland: Mythology in the Irish Landscape

The landscape of Ireland inspired an extensive body of place lore and mythology in the medieval period. Of particular interest are the "Royal Sites" of Ireland, especially those of the four provinces: Emain Macha or Navan Fort (Ulster), The Hill of Tara (Leinster), The Rock of Cashel (Munster) and Rathcroghan/Carnfree (Connaught) as well as the "fifth province" site of The Hill of Uisneach. His talk will examine the reciprocal role of landscape and mythology these sites represent.

Instructions

To Join this History Zoom Meeting, go to:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89514243640>

The link will go active at 6:30 pm on December 01, 2020.

the presentation itself will start at 7:00 pm and run for about an hour. The link will expire at 8:30 pm.

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Some Royal Sites



Hill of Tara



Navan Fort

Prayer List

All those who have health problems

-Mike Dougherty and also his wife, Diana, who is being treated for spinal stenosis. -Mike's brother-in-law James Cramsie with incurable leg infection

-Mike D's sister, Maryellen, suffering from multiple strokes.

-Frank King-Recovering from colon surgery'

-Mike McGee-Being treated for shingles

-Jim Calpin, Recovering from Surgery and physically improving..

-Dan Harrington- recovering from knee replace-

ment surgery; undergoing leukemia chemotherapy.

-Dan Harrington, Jr. recovering from neck surgery

In Memorium

-Mike Norton's sister, Mary Bracken

-Mike Norton's niece, Debbi Rossi

-Robert O'Connor

God grant them eternal rest

CLOSING 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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