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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MATT DULLAGHAN



It's here! It's March! The high point of our Irish calendar! Since 1991, every U.S. President has declared it as Irish American Heritage Month. And it seems every president is eager to claim Irish heritage himself – the incumbent being no ex-

ception. There's even a song in honor of his ancestry at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HplZ_taHXML.

It's been great to see more members at our meeting as the weather warms up. We'll need all of you to make our booth at the Church Hill Irish Festival a success. March 19th is less than two weeks away. If you haven't already signed up to pitch in, please do so at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a49a4ae2ea2fb6-2016>. Other festival details are at www.churchhillirishfestival.com.

March also brings the

end of the raffle ticket sales. We may not set a new record – it's hard to do that every year – but a strong final push can still get us close to our budgeted goal.

And be sure to remember our March 10 meeting for our own St. Patrick's Day Pot Luck Dinner. [Page 2](#) has all the details. And following up from our last meeting, please come with ideas for topics from Irish history we might enjoy hearing Dr. Gordon address later this year – perhaps something about the Rising?

**Until next we meet,
Sláinte!**

NOTICE: 2016 annual dues (\$40.00, over 75?, it's \$20.00) are now payable. Please mail your check to our Financial Secretary, Conor Shiel, PO Box 3841, Chester, VA 23831. Please make checks payable to "AOH Msgr Kelly Div"

Dues can also be paid at our monthly meetings.

**Please turn in your sold raffle tickets at
any Division Meeting**

Meeting Schedule

NEXT Business Meeting at St. Joseph's Church on March 10th, 2016 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.



Photos of the Easter rising of 1916 on [page 3](#).

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Lá Fhéile Pádraig Sona Daoibh

Happy St. Patrick's Day

MSGR. KELLY DIVISION ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S POT LUCK DINNER-ST. JOSEPH'S

MARCH 10, 2016



Our Division members, their families and guests are invited to the Annual Pot Luck Dinner on March 10th.

The Division will provide the main entrees:

Pork Loin
Shepherd's Pie
Corned Beef & Cabbage

Members are requested to bring a Pot Luck donation. Please let Larry Kelly know as soon as possible as to what you're bringing; take your pick of salads, veggies and desserts. The Division will supply the hardware!

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DATE: MARCH 10, 2016

DOORS OPEN: 5:30 PM
DINNER: 6:00 PM
SHORT MEETING: 7:00 PM

WHERE:
ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH
828 BUFORD ROAD
RICHMOND, VA

[DIRECTIONS](#)



March 2016 - St. Patrick's Day Party

Division Activities

St. Patrick's Festival

Larry Kelly has been making the arrangements for our tent setup and described additional items underway. Please set up some time to work at the booth and enjoy the weekend.

Raffle Tickets

Tickets continue to be turned in to Mike McGee; we see good progress! Posters have been designed to cover the Parish sales efforts. Sales have been in full swing since February 14th and will continue right up to the Irish Festival. Mike McGee has made great progress at O'Toole's, too, and we can count on John to help. Let's hope the fine weather continues. There's a great opportunity there and the weekend of March 12th-13th should be a winner!

History Month

Planning is underway for our next History presentation. Professor John Gordon has again agreed to make a presentation, probably in November. We ask members to research and suggest a subject of interest.

Budget Items

With input from all members, a 2016 Budget has been agreed and duly passed by all in attendance.

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St. Patrick's Party

Larry Kelly has plans underway for our Division Party at St. Joseph's Church on March 10th, with setup to start at 5:30. This will be a pot-luck dinner. By now you've seen the details on [Page 2](#) of this Newsletter.

1916-The Irish Rebellion

Liam Neeson will narrate "1916: The Irish Rebellion", a three-part documentary bringing the events to a worldwide audience. The documentary will be shown locally on local PBS station WCVE at a later date.

Irish Heritage Month

Presidential Proclamation—Irish-American Heritage Month 2016 has been proclaimed by President Obama. You will find additional information by [clicking here](#). Don't forget to check out Matt's youtube video link on [page 1](#).

Brothers

You're welcome to contribute to the Newsletter by sending your information to the [Editor](#).

The 100th Anniversary of the Easter Rising

Some photos of the action and aftermath



Rebel Barricade



Heavy shelling by the Crown



British soldiers with captured rebel flag



British troops-Moore St.



Holless Street Barricade



Prisoner off to Kilmainham Gaol



Behind the Barricades



The GPO



Sackville Street



Place of execution-Kilmainham Gaol

A Bit of Irish History



New Viking Discovery in County Louth

A tiny County Louth village is home to one of the most important Viking sites in the world.

Carbon testing on trenches at a 'virgin' site in Annagassan in 2011 revealed that the small rural community once housed a Viking winter base, one of only two in Ireland.

The other went on to become Dublin but the Annagassan site, 50 miles north of the capital, was believed to be the stuff of mythology and folklore until now.

Geophysical tests funded by Dundalk's County Museum allowed scientists to make the big breakthrough.

They confirmed that the Linn Duachaill site, beside the river Glyde and south of Dundalk Bay, was where the Vikings brought their long ships or longphorts to be repaired.

It was also the base for inland raids as far as Longford and north to Armagh.

Although eventually abandoned as a port due to poor tides and a shallow bay, Linn Duachaill was also a large trading town as the Vikings exported Irish slaves and looted goods.

Experts have been blown away by the find on farmland in the small village.

Louth County Museum curator Brian Walsh told the Irish Examiner: "This site is mind-blowing. It is untouched, there is no motorway going through it and it is basically virgin territory. It has been husbanded and farmed for the last few hundred years and is unspoilt.

"It is one of the most important sites of its kind in the world, not just Europe."

Dr Ned Kelly, keeper of antiquities at the National Museum, has also spoken of the importance of the Louth discovery.

"This site is intact; it has not been trashed by a road and is a greenfield site," said Dr Kelly.

"Linn Duachaill is enormously important because it is of the very earliest period of Viking settlement in Ireland. It was founded in 841 and the Annals of Ulster tell us it was used over the next 50 years continuously.

"Radio-carbon dating has conclusively shown we are dealing with a site of early Viking age. It is exactly what we thought it was and it is of such significance that an international conference is being held to discuss it."

Patrick Counihan
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OTHER

St. Patrick's Day will be here soon!



Prayer List

Jim and Sherry Glover

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

Mike McHugh's son, Patrick, doing well after his recent hospitalization.

Mike Dougherty and also his wife, Diana. Mike's daughter-in-law Gale, who has heart disease and diabetes; 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

Frank King's mother Emma, who is 103 years old,

having health issues

George Rodenberg-

Now in a nursing home

Paul Kinnery-Recovering from a series of strokes

Tony Meyer-Recovering from shoulder surgery and still in pain

Kay Woods-

In Memorium

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
om Barrett-Major Dooley Division

Stephen Dougherty, son of Mike and Diana Dougherty, died suddenly on Feb. 23, 2016

**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.

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WE'RE ON THE WEB!

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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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