

THE REV. JAMES T. O'REILLY OSA DIVISION 8 ANCIENT ORDER of HIBERNIANS LAWRENCE, MASSACHUSETTS

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Established: 1871 Happy Father's Day! June 2023

<u>MEETING NOTICE:</u> The next meeting of the Rev. James T. O'Reilly O.S.A. Division 8, Ancient Order of Hibernians will be held on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, on the second floor following the Joint Meeting with the LAOH at 7 PM on the first floor of the CLADDAGH, 399 Canal Street, Lawrence, MA.

<u>Great Hunger Commemoration — Saturday June 3, 2023</u>: Division 8 AOH and LAOH will hold a Commemoration of the Great Hunger on *Saturday, June 3, 2023*, at the *An Gorta Mor Memorial* in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery, 29 Barker Street, Lawrence, MA at 1:00 pm. During this service we will also remember our deceased members.

The commemoration will include: a memorial service led by our Division Chaplain, the Very Rev. John W. Delaney, V.F; a short address by our Division Historian, Frank O'Connor Jr., and the placing of a wreath at the memorial. In the event of inclement weather, the service will be held in the Mausoleum on the grounds of the cemetery. Light refreshments will follow the ceremony. *All AOH & LAOH members, their families and friends are welcome.*

2023 AOH & LAOH State Convention: At the AOH & LAOH State Convention held the weekend of May 5 – 7 in Hyannis, **Keith M. Murphy** was reelected AOH State Secretary, and **Jack Lahey** was elected AOH State Treasurer. **Carol Calderone** was elected LAOH State Historian and **Sue Fink** was elected LAOH State Chairlady of Catholic Action. Bill Sullivan was presented with the National AOH Leadership Award by AOH National President Danny O'Connell and his 50 Year Membership Pin. **Congratulations and Best Wishes to all newly elected officers for a successful term of office!**

<u>Scholarship Winners Announced:</u> Robert R. Gauthier, Division 8's Scholarship Chairman, has announced the recipients of this year's awards. They are *Julia Alaimo, Reagan Costello, Lea McGuigan, Albert Manzi and Liam Murphy. These* awards will be given at the Ice Cream Social at the Claddagh at 6:30 P.M. on June 21. *Congratulations & Best Wishes to all!*

<u>Golf Anyone</u>? Saint Monica K of C and Division 8 AOH and LAOH Joint Golf Outings will take place at Murphy's Garrison Par 3 Golf Center, 654 Hilldale Ave. Haverhill weekly on Tuesday nights. The course is a small nine-hole layout & perfect for beginners and experienced golfers. It takes about an hour or so to play, and the cost is \$14.00. There is also a driving range, as well as a putting green and clubs & balls are available to rent...very cheaply I might add! They do have cold beverages available but no food to speak of, maybe some chips and ice cream etc... There is a full bar at the 10th hole (9-hole course) with cold beer, soda and spirits. Feel free to bring your wives, friends, neighbors, members of other organizations. If you have any questions you can call, text, or email Jeff Sullivan at ideallivan1@comcast.net or by phone: Home-603-894-5302 or Cell 603-479-5395 (Please leave voicemail if no answer) Thanks!

<u>2023 Cornhole Tournament</u>: Our 2023 AOH Cornhole Tournament will be held **on Saturday**September 9th @ 1 pm in the Claddagh Pub Parking Lot. Please see the enclosed Flyer for more information. Registration Forms for this event are due by August 15.

Fisher Cats Game: Division 8 AOH and LAOH members their families and friends are welcome to attend a Fisher Cats Baseball Game at Delta Dental Stadium in Manchester on Sunday afternoon, August 13 @ 1:30 pm. Tickets cost \$14 which include the game, a hot dog, chips, and a soft drink. Tickets must be purchased ahead of time so that we can sit together. This game also has a promotional cooler give away to the 1st 1,000 people who enter the gate, and a RUN THE BASES event for kids after the game. Interested in attending? Please contact Tim Doherty at 603 203 3282 or by emailing him at: dancingds@comcast.net Tickets must be paid for at our June 14 AOH and LAOH Monthly Meeting, or at our Ice Cream Social on June 21. The stadium is handicap assessable.

Farewell Father Chris! The Rev Christopher Casey, our 2020 Cardinal Cushing Recipient, has been transferred to Billerica. A farewell reception will be held after the 4 pm Mass at St Theresa's Church, Plymouth St, Methuen on Saturday, June 3 in Duperry Hall after the 4:00pm Mass. A cold buffet with desserts will be served.

<u>Welcome!</u> Christopher Wood of Atkinson, NH was initiated as a member of Division 8 at our May Monthly Meeting. Welcome aboard!

<u>Congratulations!</u> Congratulations and Best Wishes to our Chaplain, the *Rev. John Delaney* on receiving his Maters Degree from Merrimack College on May 20th.

<u>Do You Know Someone interested in Joining Division 8?</u> If so, please contact our Division Organizer at **aohdivision8organizer@gmail.com** for an application & more info.

<u>Sick Committee</u>: Please send a note of cheer to those who are on this month' sick list; *Joe Danahy*, 5 Stonewall Circle, Newton, NH 03858, *Irene Dixon*, Prescott House, 140 Prescott Street, North Andover, MA 01845, *Patricia Lyons*, the Residence at Salem Woods, 5 Sally Sweet Way, Salem, NH 03079 and *Joe Sipsey*, 945 Riverside Dr, #7A, Methuen, MA 01844.

<u>Interested in Purchasing AOH Clothing?</u> If so, please contact Tim Doherty at: <u>Timothy.Doherty@sedgwickcms.com</u>

<u>Saturday, June 10:</u> The John Boyle O'Reilly Annual Memorial Mass will be held at Holyhood Cemetery in Brookline at 11 am. A reception will follow at the home of Division 14 AOH in Watertown.

<u>May She Rest in Peace:</u> Sincere sympathy is extended to the family of **Mary M. Blackwell** who died on May 14. May her soul and the souls of all our departed members rest in peace.

<u>National Night Out</u>: Division 8 will participate in North Andover's National Night Out on August 1, thanks to the efforts of Jim Murphy. A Membership Booth will be staffed by the members of both Divisions. More information will be available at our June 14th Monthly Meeting.

A Healthy, Happy and Safe Summer to all Members and Friends! God Bless!