



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

Established: 1871

Merry Christmas!!!

December 2019

The next meeting of the Rev. James T. O'Reilly O.S.A. Division 8, Ancient Order of Hibernians will be held on Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at our CHRISTMAS PARTY at 6:30 P.M. on the second floor at the Claddagh, 399 Canal Street, Lawrence, MA

Holiday Greetings: The Officers of your Division extend to every member and their families a sincere:

*Nollaig Shona Dhuitt Agus Blain NUA Faoi Mhaise Dhuitt!
(A Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year)*

And so, May 2020 have these blessings for you...

*May love and laughter light your days,
and warm your heart and home.*

*May good and faithful friends be yours,
wherever you may roam.*

*May peace and plenty bless your world
with joy that long endures.*

*May all life's passing seasons
bring the best to you and yours!*

A Happy, Healthy and Blessed Christmas to All...

A Happy, Healthy and Holy 2020 to All!

AOH & LAOH Division 8 Christmas Party: Our Annual AOH/LAOH Christmas Party will feature a buffet, prizes and some super surprises. This event is open to all Hibernians, their families and friends. Your guests do not have to be members of the LAOH or AOH to attend. ***Deadline for reservations is December 4TH.*** For tickets contact Anne Marie Doherty @ 978 390 3400 or Bill Sullivan @ 978 376 4356. ***Come & enjoy the spirit of the season!***

	<p>PLEASE JOIN US DIVISION 8 - LAWRENCE LAOH & AOH CHRISTMAS PARTY 6:30 PM - 10:00 PM Wednesday, December 11, 2019 CLADDAGH PUB & RESTAURANT CHRISTMAS MUSIC \$15.00 NO: 4</p>	
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Looking for a Terrific Christmas Gift? Tim Doherty has a brand-new selection of Division 8 AOH Clothing. Please contact Tim for more information @ Timothy.Doherty@sedgwickcms.com

Thank You! Our sincere thanks to those who have already returned their tickets for our annual **FFAI Christmas Appeal**. If you have not returned your tickets, please do so as soon as possible. **Please make checks payable to Division 8**. Anyone in need of more tickets should contact Bob Collins @ 603 895 2345. Your support for our Annual Freedom for All Ireland Christmas Appeal is greatly appreciated. **Deadline for returns: January 8, 2020**

Sick Committee: *Please send a Christmas Card to our members on this month's sick list*

Linda Allard, 63 Atlantic Ave, Seabrook, NH 03874

Ruth Canney, 105 Telfer Circle, Salem, NH 03079

Irene Dixon, Prescott House, 140 Prescott Street, North Andover, MA 0184

Thomas Garvey, Wingate at Andover, 80 Andover Street, Andover, MA 01810

Patricia Lyons, Ashland Farms, 700 Chickering Road, North Andover, MA 01845

Margaret Quirke, Ivy Hill Court, 337 Main Street, Haverhill, Ma 01830

Kathleen Savage, Brudnick Center for living at 240 Lynnfield street, Peabody, MA 01960.

George Thomas, 3 Kacie Lane, East Hampstead, NH 0384

Christmas Events of Interest: Please visit irishmassachusetts.com for a listing of great holiday Irish happenings in the Boston and Merrimack Valley areas.

Let Us Not Forget: As **2019 ends**, please take a moment and remember our members who left us this year: **Rev. Paul Keyes, Robert Kilcoyne, James P. Barrett** and **James McMurrough**. May their souls and the souls of our departed members, rest in eternal peace, Amen.

Mass State Board & Essex County Board News: : The next Meeting of the Mass AOH State Board will take place on **Saturday, December 14, 2019** at the Home of Division 11, Lowell Street, Peabody, MA @ 11 am.. A meeting of the Essex County Board will take place on **Saturday, December 7, 2019** @11 am at the Claddagh, 399 Canal Street, Lawrence MA. All members are welcome at both meetings.

Saint Patrick Day Chairman Announced: President Bill Sullivan has appointed the following 2020 Saint Patrick Day Festivities Chairmen: Saint Patrick's Day Banquet & Dance: **Charles Breen**; Saint Patrick's Day Souvenir Journal: **John Cuddy** and Saint Patrick's Day Luncheon, **Jack Lahey**.

Tir Na'n Og: Sincere sympathy is extended to James J. Barry on the passing of his Sister, **Sister Anne Marie Barry SCH**, who died on October 26; to Frank O'Neil on the passing of his father, **Francis B. O'Neil**, who died on October 18; to Bob Collins on the passing of his brother, **John Collins**, who died on October 8; to Ellen Concanon on the passing of her Mother-in-Law, **Rose D'Agati**, who died on November 3 and to Mary Anne Proctor on the passing of her Sister-in-Law, **Janine Bunney**, who died on November 8. May their souls and the souls of our departed members rest in peace, Amen.

Library News: Our thanks to the **Irish Cultural Centre in Canton** for their recent donation of books to the Hibernian Irish Collection and to **Tom Garvey** for donations of Irish books, media & bookshelves.

Mark Your Calendar!

Wednesday, January 8, 2020 First Monthly Meeting of 2020 & Christmas Appeal Raffle

Saturday, March 7, 2020: 149th Annual Saint Patrick's Banquet and Dance

Friday, March 13, 2020 51th Annual Saint Patrick's Day Luncheon

A Blessed, Healthy and Happy New Year to All!

