



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

Established: 1871

Merry Christmas!!!

December 2022

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 14, 2022, at our CHRISTMAS PARTY at 6:30 pm at the Claddagh, 399 Canal Street, Lawrence, MA.

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

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

And so, May 2023 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 2023 to All!

AOH & LAOH Division 8 to Host Christmas Party: Our Annual AOH/LAOH Christmas Party will be held on Wednesday, December 14, @ 6:30 pm at the Claddagh. The cost for this year's party is \$20 per person, and will feature a buffet, prizes, and entertainment. 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! For tickets, please contact Anne Marie Nyhan-Doherty @ 978 390 3400 or Bill Sullivan @ 978 376 4356. ***The deadline for reservations is December 5. Come & enjoy the spirit of the season!***

November Election of Officers Results: The following Officers were elected at our November Meeting for the years 2023- 2024. **President:** William J. Sullivan; **Vice President:** Keith M. Murphy.; **Recording Secretary:** Eric Alaimo; **Financial Secretary:** John T. Lahey; **Treasurer:** Michael P. Miller; **Standing Committee:** Timothy Doherty; **Marshall:** Jeff Sullivan, and **Sentinel:** Kevin Walsh

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 11, 2023**

Joint Installation of Officers to be held in January: Our AOH/LAOH Joint Installation of Officers will be held on **Sunday, January 29, 2022. (Snow Date: Sunday, February 5)** Members, their family & friends are invited to attend the 11:30 am Mass at Sacred Hearts Church, 165 South Main Street, Bradford, MA, which will be celebrated by our Chaplain, the Rev. John Delaney. The Installation of Officers will follow the Mass, followed by a reception with light refreshments. Your officers work hard on your behalf. **Please try to attend.**

Christmas Den Band Concert: On Saturday, December 3 the Veterans Christmas Den Band will have a Christmas Concert and Sing a long in the church hall of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 22 Plymouth Street, Methuen, MA at 5:30 pm. Several varieties of soup will be served along with bread, snacks, and beverages for a cost of \$10. **What a great way to get in the Christmas Spirit!**

Looking for a Terrific Christmas Gift? Tim Doherty has a great selection of Division 8 AOH Clothing that would make terrific gifts. Please check out our division's website to see what clothing items are available. Contact Tim for more information @ 603 203 3282

Saint Patrick Day Chairman Announced: President Bill Sullivan has appointed the following 2023 Saint Patrick Day Festivities Chairmen: Saint Patrick's Day Banquet & Dance: **Charles Breen**; Saint Patrick's Day Souvenir Journal: **Mark Alaimo** and Saint Patrick's Day Luncheon, **Jack Lahey**.

Let Us Not Forget: As **2022 ends**, please take a moment and remember our members who left us this year: **John J. Hannon Jr, Paul J. Joyce Sr, Richard J. McDonald and Joseph F. Moran Jr.** May their souls and the souls of our departed members, rest in peace, Amen.

DUES INCREASE: At our October Meeting, a Motion to increase our dues from \$25 to \$30 beginning January 1, 2023, was passed. Dues for 2023 paid prior to January 1, 2023, will be at the old rate of \$25. Why not send your dues in early to **Jack Lahey, P. O. Box 133, North Salem, NH 03079.**

Sick Committee: Please send a note of cheer to those who are on this month's sick list; **Joe Danahy**, 5 Stonewall Circle, Newton, NH 03858, **Anne Gauthier**, 330 Sutton Street, North Andover, MA 01845, **Patricia Lyons**, the Residence at Salem Woods, Sally Sweet Way, Salem, NH 03079 & **Joe Sipsey**, 945 Riverside Dr, #7A, Methuen, MA 01844

Division 8 Website: For the latest updates on Hibernian News, please look at Division 8's website that is regularly updated by our Webmaster John Michael Pelletier. <http://www.div8aoh.com/>

May He Rest in Peace: Sincere sympathy is extended to Jeff Sullivan and his family on the death of his brother-in-law, **Robert J. Ouellette Jr.**, who passed on November 18. May perpetual light always shine upon him.

Change of Address: If you have a new mailing address, please send it to us at: PO Box 1407, Lawrence, MA 01842 so that we can keep you up to date on Hibernian events.

A Blessed, Healthy and Happy New Year to All!