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**Next Meeting — Friday, November 13 • 7:30 p.m.**

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## DIVISION 1 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

All Saints Day ( <i>Holy Day of Obligation</i> ) .....	Sunday, November 1	
All Souls Day .....	Monday, November 2	
U2 Nation ( <i>U2 Tribute Band</i> ) .....	Saturday, November 28	9:00 p.m.
Traditional Irish Music Seisiún .....	Sundays	1:30 p.m.
Kids Movie Night .....	Third Friday of the Month	
Irish Rebel Song/Karaoke Night .....	Third Friday of the Month	

DIVISION NO. 1 WEBSITE • <http://aohdiv1.org/>

## “40 Years of High Fidelity”



Loyalty is a big part of Irish Culture. Thank you to all of our Loyal Hibernians that have faithfully been paying dues over the last 40 years. During our successful 40th Anniversary Gala on Sunday, October 25th, these Loyal Hibernians were recognized in a special awards ceremony for their faithful efforts through the years. They have demonstrated a “High Fidelity” to the Joseph Duellk Jr. Division of the AOH.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A Cairde,

Thank you to all members who supported our 40th Anniversary Dinner Dance. Everyone I expected to be there . . . was.

When you see Brother Keith Reynolds, please shake his hand and thank him for putting together such a memorable event. He worked extremely hard over the past few months to coordinate, what was undoubtedly the single greatest function in our 40 year history.

Also, we need to express our profound gratitude to Tommy Flynn, who created a slide show presentation of over 1000 photographs of bygone events. All of us at the Dinner Dance enjoyed reminiscing, as we watched the show.

Our M.C. for the afternoon was, our own, the one and only, Leo O'Grady . . . who as always, did an excellent job. Thank you to Don Higgins, John Brophy Jr. for doing the door, and also to Mary Luciana, who acted as our photographer.

Congratulations to our Award winners. You exemplify what it means to be a great Hibernian. I am always honored to be in your company. We will have a full report at our next meeting.

Please be at the November 13th meeting, as you will be voting on your new Board. This is important, as the men you elect will lead our Division for the next 12 months.

If you want to submit your name as a candidate for any of the positions, please send in a letter of intent to: Election Committee Chairman, P.O. Box 337, Monroe, N.Y. 10950.

Go mbeannaí Dia thú,

Brendan O'Dowd, Uachtarán

### Goodwill & Welfare

Remember that November is the Month of the Holy Souls in Purgatory. In your charity please pray for all of our beloved dead. Especially, Frank Ellsworth and Ed Flood both former members who recently passed away. Ed was our financial Secretary in 1975 and 1976; and he was also on the JDJ Board. *Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord . . .*

AOH Division 1 President Brendan O'Dowd and LAOH Division 5 President Gail Edmonds presented a check for \$1400 . . . the proceeds of our Halfway to St. Patrick's Day party . . . to Fr. Tom Byrnes, pastor of Sacred Heart Church. The money is to be used to help fund the Sacred Heart Parish Outreach Program's soup kitchen, "Our Father's Kitchen."



### Advent Season:

November 28th is the First Sunday of Advent which is the beginning of the Liturgical Year. It is also that period of the year during which the Church requires the faithful to prepare for the celebration of the feast of Christmas. The Church teaches that Prayer, Penance and Alms is a great way to prepare for the birth of Christ and so the color Purple is used in the Liturgy.

St. Andrew's Novena for Advent is an ancient prayer which is said 15 times each day; beginning on St. Andrew's Feast Day (Nov. 30) through Christmas.

*Hail and blessed be the hour and the moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour, vouchsafe, O my God, to hear my prayers and grant my desires through the merits of Jesus Christ and His Blessed Mother. Amen.*

### November 23, 1920:

#### DUBLIN FOOTBALL FIELD MASSACRE Volley After Volley Fired Into Surging Crowd 77 Casualties

Not until yesterday did the full story reach the country of the terrible scenes in Croke Park Football Ground, Dublin, on Sunday afternoon. When the auxiliary police fired volley after volley of shots into the tightly packed crowd of 15,000 people, a mad stampede took place. People were trampled under foot and the screams of women and children mingled with the groans of dying and injured spectators.

All accounts from Dublin agree that the military took no part in the shooting. A Special Correspondent of "The Daily News", in a graphic dispatch published, declares that he found little confirmation for the official assertion that Sinn Fein pickets first fired on the police.

But the assertion that deliberate volleys of shots were fired into a mass of panic-stricken humanity is attested by many witnesses. In Dublin the events on the football ground have created even greater horror than the Sunday morning murders, and are described as the "Irish Amritsar". (end of extract)

The above extract from the headline of a newspaper dated 23 November 1920. The full article details the shootings at Croke Park on what became known as Bloody Sunday. The article reported that 12 were killed, 11 seriously wounded and 54 injured. A stone wall surrounding much of the field was "pitted with holes, showing the intensity of the fire" which showed that the auxiliary police were trying to kill more than 12 people.



AOH Division 1 President Brendan O'Dowd and Recording Secretary Joseph McMahon flank Orange County Right to Life President Wendy Woods at the annual Pro-Life Chain, on Route 211 in Middletown, on Sunday, October 4. Also in photo are Cian and Tommy O'Dowd. Please contact our R-T-L Chairman [TommyFlynn@optonline.net](mailto:TommyFlynn@optonline.net) to find out how you can easily join Orange County Right to Life.



Our All Hallows' Eve party at the Hall. The kids had a great time and they also made Christmas Cards for the troops in Iraq and Afghanistan. Remember the 3rd Friday of every month is children's movie night at the Hall.

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AOH NYS Secretary James Burke, Pat Lahiff Division 4, NYC 2010 Grand Marshal Ray Kelly, and Division 1 President Brendan O'Dowd at the Irish Consulate office in New York for the Grand Marshall announcement on Oct. 6.



Division Treasurer John Brophy Jr. and Piper Jim Kelly, greet AOH National President Seamus Boyle outside the church before our Communion Mass and Breakfast, as Leo O'Grady, Thomas McCarthy and John Brophy Sr. look on.