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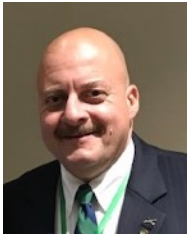
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## President's Message



Brothers All,

Christmas Greetings to you all!  
There's a lot going on, and coming  
up, here in Ohio.

**Retention and Recruiting:** Several Divisions report strong results, with quite a number of new members sworn in. Our Organizer Joe Casey is doing stellar work on multiple fronts, especially in ensuring that Divisions are following up with guys who have inquired through the National Website. Efforts continue to form new Divisions.

**First-Ever Ohio Irish-American Heritage Month Proclamation:** Our PEC Chair Scott Partika and his committee are working our Executive/Legislative Strategy, to include possible future initiatives in the State House.

Thanks to Brother Jim Casey, our Monthly Newsletter continues to shine. Cincinnati Brother Marc Wolnitzek has stepped up to assume the duties of Webmaster (thank goodness!)

It's **report and dues submittal season**. Brothers, you know what you have to do. **Timely report submission is a critical administrative and leadership task**, and your Division's leaders should take this responsibility seriously. To help our Divisions with the work, I've already distributed the End-Of-Year Checklist to all Divisions. As a follow-up, I'll be making phone calls (lots) to ensure completeness.

Since the September board meeting, I've had the privilege of spending time with a number of Divisions and your Brothers (Please let me know when your Divisions are OK with my attendance!):

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## Chaplain's's Comments



In lieu of a chaplain's homily this month we will remember his mother, Betty, who passed away in November.

Betty Lou Keehner, 77, died Friday, Nov. 6, 2020, at the Inn at Christine Valley.

Betty was born in Youngstown, Aug. 1, 1943, the daughter of James R. and Gwendolyn Lennox Goist. She graduated from South High School in 1961.

On Oct. 12, 1963, she married John Edward Keehner at St. Patrick Church in Youngstown. Betty became a member of the Catholic Church in 1991 and belonged first to Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Austintown before joining the Cathedral Parish of St. Columba in 2005. The last four years, during her residence at the Inn, she attended St. Christine Parish in Youngstown.

Betty is survived by her daughter, Carol Hicks of Austintown; three sons, Gerald (Ruth) of Bowie, Md., the Rev. John of North Canton and Richard of Austintown; brother, Gerald (Debbie) Goist of Austintown; grandson, James Hicks of Manassas, Va.; granddaughters, Catherine and Cecilia Keehner of Bowie, Md.; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, John, who died Jan. 31, 2001; infant son, Michael, who died in November 1967; son-in-law, James Hicks; and brother, James Goist.

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 23, 2020, at St. Christine Church, 3165 S. Schenley Ave., Youngstown. Interment followed in Resurrection Cemetery in Austintown, where she will be laid to rest next to her husband.

**President’s Message, cont.**

- Calling Hours for Brother Marty Chrystal in Youngstown. Again, our condolences go out to the Chrystal family and our Youngstown Brothers.
- A Division meeting in person, in Summit County #2. I also attended Franklin and Medina Counties’ virtual meetings. (And my own Division meeting in Hamilton County, of course)
- Cuyahoga County’s Annual Reverse Raffle Fundraiser, and was able to spend time with members of both Divisions.
- While in Cleveland for the fundraiser, I was able to tour and review the Convention Hotel for our 2021 State Convention. Our Cleveland Brothers and Sisters have chosen well; it’s a great venue for our purposes, and I’ve very excited to see you all there in June.

Have a safe, happy, and blessed Christmas Season. The true joy of Christmas is in the everlasting love of Christ. Wishing you a joyous Christmas and blessings in the coming New Year.

As always, thank you for your commitment, passion, and leadership. God Bless you all, God Bless Ireland, and God Bless our great Nation.

Slan,

Bob



**2021 Sean MacBride Humanitarian Award**

See attached correspondence from Worthy National Vice President Sean Pender re: MacBride Humanitarian Award nominations. As mentioned below, Any Division is eligible to make a nomination, if they deem a candidate worthy of this high honor.

In accordance with Article XXVII of the National Constitution of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in America, we are sending this letter to all eligible members to request nominees for the 2021 Sean MacBride Humanitarian Award. This award will be conferred to memorialize the human rights contributions made by Nobel Peace Laureate Dr. Sean MacBride, and to recognize the efforts of others who make similar contributions in the cause of peace, justice and the economic wellbeing of the Irish people. This award will be conferred without regard to the nominee’s race, creed, color, sex, or national origin. We require (1) that the nominator provide a typed biography of the nominee, **not to exceed 500 words**, and (2) that the nominator also ascertain that, if elected, the nominee will accept the award at a time and place designated by the National Boards. In addition, each nominator will certify above his/her signature that his/her nominee does not stand in opposition to any moral principle espoused by the AOH/LAOH.

**To be accepted, all nominations must be returned to Sean Pender, AOH National Vice President, 13 Scullin Dr. Yardville, NJ 08620, (paddyspeed@yahoo.com), and postmarked no later than January 15, 2021. We request that all nominations be submitted as a word document as well so we may insert all nominations into the nominee letter that will go out with the ballots.**

Yours in Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity,

Sean Pender, AOH National Vice President

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**Newsletter News**

Just a reminder. If you have information for our monthly newsletter, please send it as a Word attachment to an e-mail to Editor, Jim Casey at

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The **deadline** for articles is the **24th of the month.**

## Ohio AOH Missions & Charities Report

Chris Konik, Ohio AOH Missions & Charities Chair

### 2021 Catholic Men's Conference (Ohio)

SUN, Feb 27, 2021 8am-3pm

The Annual (Columbus) Catholic Men's Conference is among the largest gatherings of its type in the nation for men of faith. This year has provided us with the opportunity to reach even more men through a platform that will be both virtual/online and in-person. The 2021 Conference will be an amazing experience of virtual presentations, personal small groups, food and fellowship.

Patrick Pearse Division #1 will continue to promote the Order and Dead Theologians Society at this event.

More information at: <https://www.catholicmensministry.com>

### Project St Patrick

I will continue to work with Ron Hagan, in his newly appointed role of National AOH Catholic Action Chair, that includes Project St Patrick efforts. Remember that each division needs to establish a Project St Patrick representative and have this information filed with your diocese. This allows for your Bishop's Office to see firsthand how committed the AOH is in supporting local seminarians and those pursuing vocations.

All PSP forms are posted online at: <https://aoh.com/project-st-patrick>

### Dead Theologians Society

Fr. Jack Fitzpatrick received a commission in the US Navy in 2020 and is heading to Officer and Chaplain Training. Fr. Fitzpatrick was a member of DTS as a teen in St. Joseph, Missouri. He and two of his friends in that DTS Chapter are now priests.

Two years ago, Fr. Fitzpatrick started a DTS Chapter at his parish of St. Paul in Colorado Springs, a Chapter which is booming. He hopes to start a DTS Chapter with the Marines and/or with the high-school teens in Japan. He is also a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

More information about DTS: [www.deadtheologianssociety.com](http://www.deadtheologianssociety.com)    [eddie@deadtheologianssociety.com](mailto:eddie@deadtheologianssociety.com)

### Holy Family Mission (Ireland)

Many of us are finding these difficult times particularly hard to pray in. Our heavenly Mother desires to unite us closely to her and her son.

To help us grow in our prayer life, we have recorded a series of simple rosaries available on our website. These come as a Youtube link which has audio and video and as mp3 files which are audio only, ideal for the car! We hope they help us to pray during these confusing times and to entrust everything to our Blessed Lady.

<https://www.holyfamilymission.ie/events-2/resources/>

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## State Historian's Report

### George A. Manley, State Delegate (1880-1881)

By: J. Michael Finn, State Historian

*So far, I have presented the State Delegate/State President biographies in chronological order. However, as new research is completed I'm able to find more information regarding some of our earlier State Delegates. This biography for State Delegate George A. Manley from Chillicothe, Ohio represents a newly discovered State Delegate, as well as, newly found biographical material. Thanks to Brother Mark Gideon of Columbus for assisting in the research.*

George A. Manley was born June 8, 1848 in Newcastle, England. His parents were both born in Ireland. He came to this country in 1865 at the age of 17. He lived for a time in New York. He left there for Philadelphia where he worked on a truck farm (a farm that produces vegetables for market). He then left Philadelphia and settled in Chillicothe, Ohio. The 1870 US census shows him residing in Chillicothe.

Manley's last name is spelled as Manly in the 1870 census records and in some later news reports. It is unclear whether these instances were errors or whether he may have, at some point, changed his name from Manly to Manley.

In Chillicothe, Manley worked as a brakeman on the Marietta & Cincinnati Railroad. He was later promoted to conductor. He remained in the employ of the railroad for a number of years. He later opened his own business in Chillicothe. His shop was the local news agent and confectionary (candy store). He became a popular figure in Chillicothe.

There was one Ancient Order of Hibernians division in Chillicothe, based at St. Mary's Church in that town. The division donated a Hibernian window to St. Mary's. The window indicates the division was founded April 7, 1877. In June 1888 the Hibernian State Convention was held at Chillicothe.



We don't know when George A Manly joined the Hibernians, but, from what we do know, he was an active and popular member. In June 1879 he was elected as State Treasurer at the State Convention held in Columbus. The following year, Manley was elected State Delegate at the State Convention held at Springfield, Ohio on June 3, 1880. He served a one year term until 1881.

In 1884 the Ohio Board of Public Works under Ohio Governor George Hoadly (1884-1886) appointed Manley as Superintendent of the Ohio and Erie Canal at Chillicothe. In this position he was responsible for overseeing the construction of an aqueduct over the Paint River. The aqueduct allowed canal boats on the Ohio and Erie Canal to pass over Paint Creek.

Manley sold his news agent business in 1889 and decided to move to Huntsville, Alabama. On April 12, 1889, just before his departure to Huntsville, Manley's numerous friends presented him with a token to remind them of the "good old days" in Chillicothe. Manley and his wife were invited to Merkle Hall for a surprise farewell banquet. Manley was presented with a gold headed cane, on the head of which was inscribed, "To George A. Manley from his dear friends in Chillicothe, 1889." An elegant banquet was then served and things went on so pleasantly that Manley found it harder than ever to get away.

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## State Historian's Report, cont.

In Huntsville, Alabama he again entered into the business of truck farming; however, after 13 years, luck was not with him and he sold his truck farming business and moved back to Chillicothe in April 1902. Back in Chillicothe he found it difficult to find employment.

On Sunday, October 5, 1902 George A. Manley was suddenly struck by heart failure while walking in the Chillicothe railroad yards. He was in the yards to speak to the railroad foreman regarding employment with the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. The doctor was summoned but Manley had already died before the doctor arrived. At age 54, Manley was survived by his wife, Agnes L. Manley. They did not have any children.

The newspaper speculated that it may have been excitement over the possibility of securing a job with the B&O Railroad, after being unemployed for so long, that brought about his heart attack.

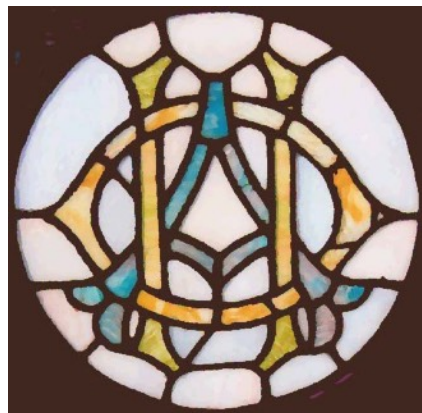
Funeral services were held at St. Mary's Church in Chillicothe and were attended by many friends and associates of the deceased, with whom in his lifetime he was popular and well beloved. "The floral emblem which covered the casket was very handsome, and was as a fragrant remembrance of the good deeds of him laid low in death."

The reverend Father Alfred D. Dexter, Pastor of St. Mary's, conducted a requiem High Mass, and spoke most feelingly of the deceased, whom he described as a good citizen and a faithful worker in the church. The pall bearers were: Michael Brown, Peter McCue, Daniel Cronin, James Kelly, James Sweeney, and Daniel Dahill (both James Kelly and Daniel Dahill were AOH members and past Ross County Delegates). George A. Manley was buried in St. Margaret's Cemetery in Chillicothe. His grave, and that of his wife, remain unmarked.

The Scioto Gazette Newspaper said of Manley: "The deceased was, during his former residence here, a jolly good soul, and a power in local Democratic politics. George Manley was as generous, as open and free handed as any citizen who ever lived in Chillicothe, and his many old friends and those whom he helped in years gone, will learn of his death with sincere regret."

Through sharing stories of our history we can remember those brother and sister Hibernians who came before us and on whose shoulders we stand today.

J. Michael Finn, fcoolavin@aol.com



**Mark Your Calendars**

**2021 State Convention**

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## State Director, FFAI State Chairman's Report

### INQUIRY INTO FINUCANE MURDER DENIED

A public inquiry into the murder 1989 of Pat Finucane will not be taking place "at this time," according to Northern Ireland secretary, Brandon Lewis on Monday.

Finucane, a 39-year-old solicitor, was known for defending IRA members during the Troubles. On February 12, 1989, as Pat sat down to Sunday dinner with his wife and three children, two loyalist gunmen smashed their way in to the Belfast home. The gunmen proceeded to shoot Finucane in front his family; first twice, then 12 subsequent times directly in the head. It was later discovered that the gunmen had been ordered to murder Finucane by British security forces.

Finucane's family, backed by Sinn Féin, the SDLP, Alliance and the Greens, the Irish government and 24 members of the US Congress, has long fought for an inquiry into the murder and the apparent state collusion behind it. A 2001 political agreement between the UK and Irish governments established that an international judge would investigate the Finucane killing, a decision that was reversed in 2010 by David Cameron's government. Instead, Sir Desmond de Silva QC, a former war crime lawyer, was directed to review documentation about the killing. In 2012, de Silva concluded that "agents of the state" were involved but that there was no "overarching state conspiracy."

Cameron refused a public inquiry despite "frankly shocking levels" of collusion.

A 2019 supreme court ruling found that the original investigation into the murder was "ineffective and failed to meet the standards required under human rights law." Bolstered by the ruling, Fincane's wife, Geraldine, and their three children appealed to Boris Johnson's government. Johnson offered no response. The Finucanes then sought a judicial review which led to Monday's announcement.

Pat Finucane's son John, the Sinn Féin MP for North Belfast, said he and his family would continue to campaign for an inquiry, adding that he may look for support from United States President-elect Joe Biden.

"When he was then Senator Biden, as chair of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, he supported our calls for an inquiry," Mr Finucane said on the BBC's Good Morning Ulster program.

"I appreciate that he is going into arguably the busiest role on the planet, so we aren't blind to that. But President-elect Biden has already shown a clear interest in Irish affairs, he has history in supporting our campaign and I think that America has always had a significant role to play in our peace process, certainly in our campaign."

Taoiseach (Irish PM) Micheal Martin has criticized the failure to order an inquiry and also indicated that he would raise the issue with Mr Biden.

### HUNGER STRIKE

We are following up the PLASTIC JUSTICE webinar with a another special live event Hunger Strike 1980 -next Saturday December 5. Speaking from Ireland to the AOH-LAOH will be Tommy McKearney one of the 7 men on the 53 day Hunger Strike of 1980. Fra McCann -former H-Block prisoner who was sent to America and spoke at American events. Andree Murphy will talk about attacks on the H-Block supporters on the streets.

These speakers will give personal accounts of the key event which set the stage the 1981 Hunger Strike and the death of ten patriot martyrs. We want as many viewers as possible for these important speakers.

The British are arranging celebrations of 100 years of partition. They are celebrating and trying to whitewash a century of injustice of which caused the Hunger Strikes!

**Patrick Williams, State Director**

**Ancient Order of the Hibernians Freedom For All Ireland State Chairman**



## 2020-2021 FFAI Christmas Appeal

The COVID crisis hurts our Christmas Appeal fundraising, but is no obstacle to British injustice. The British used this crisis to break their pledges on Brexit and legacy justice. They say it is up to Britain, whether to allow a vote on Ireland's border.

Meanwhile, those working for Irish freedom with AOH help, were locked-down. In September, Hibernians heard 17 FFAI grant recipients tell why AOH-LAOH Christmas Appeal grants were a lifeline for them. Bloody Sunday campaign leader John Kelly said the Museum of Free Derry relies on paid admissions by visitors, which were wiped out. Brian Cawley of Tyrone National Graves said most funds they use to maintain patriot graves in Tyrone, come from their annual Easter fundraiser, which was cancelled. Other groups and centres were closed for months.

Their message was clear. Our 2019 donations were crucial, but because the COVID crisis continues, they desperately need us to come through for them in 2020-21.

We are losing some yearly fundraisers which were the backbone of the appeal. However, we cannot let down those working for freedom for all Ireland, at a time when their work is needed most.

I am personally appealing to every State, County and Division President, to take a lead, find a way to donate through special collections or donations from funds. Don't let them down!

Slán

Martin Galvin, AOH FFAI NATIONAL CHAIRMAN

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## U.S. Ambassador to Ireland

The newest member of Akron's Mark Heffernan Division is the U.S. Ambassador to Ireland, Edward J. Crawford. Both his parents were born in Ireland.



Crawford was a recent guest on the Gerry Quinn Irish Radio Show ([whkradio.com](http://whkradio.com)) in Cleveland where J.C. Sullivan is a co-host and Producer. As they were leaving the studio together that day Crawford, who knew how the National AOH Email Blast had called for immediate Hibernian Call to Action got Congress to confirm his appointment, said "I have to do something for the Hibernians." With this in mind Sullivan mailed him an application suggesting that a good place to begin was by joining...and he has done just that!

## Catholic Action

In December we pass through the liturgical season of Advent into that of Christmas. Advent represents the time of preparation for the coming of the Savior. The liturgical color, representative of repentance and humility, is violet, except on the Third Sunday of Advent, traditionally known as *Gaudete* Sunday, when the color rose represents the joy of approaching the Christmas season. The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, celebrated on December 8, is the patronal feast of the United States, and a holy day of obligation. The Christmas season begins with the vigil Mass of Christmas. The liturgical color is white.

### MAJOR SAINTS AND FEAST DAYS OF DECEMBER

December 3	Francis Xavier, Priest	Memorial
December 7	Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor	Memorial
December 8	The Immaculate Conception	Solemnity
December 12	Our Lady of Guadalupe	Feast
December 14	John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor	Memorial
December 25	Christmas	Solemnity
December 26	Stephen, the First Martyr	Feast
December 27	John, Apostle and Evangelist	Feast
December 28	Holy Innocents, Martyrs	Feast

### IRISH SAINTS OF DECEMBER

Finnian of Clonard (c.470-c.549) December 12

One of at least three saintly Finnikians, this Irish saint may have been born at Myshall, Carlow, Ireland. He may have spent some years in Welsh monasteries. Later he founded several monasteries in Ireland, including Clonard, in Meath, which for many centuries was renowned for Biblical scholarship. Though often referred to as a bishop, there is not solid evidence of his consecration, but certainly Finnian served as a mentor and teacher to many who in turn spread the faith throughout Ireland and beyond.

Flannan (7th century) December 18

Son of an Irish chieftain, he received a monastic education. On a pilgrimage to Rome, he was consecrated bishop by Pope John IV. Upon returning, he settled at Killaloe and is considered its first bishop.

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**Catholic Action, cont.**

Ursicinus (d.c. 625)

December 20

Probably an Irishman, he was a disciple of St. Columban on the Continent, founded a monastery at St. Ursanne in present-day Switzerland, and evangelized the local people.

Aileran the Wise (d. 664)

December 29

Nothing is known of Aileran's early life. We know that St. Finian induced him to enter the monastery at Clonard, where Aileran became known as one of the most erudite scholars of this erudite group of monks. He knew Greek as well as Latin, and studied the Eastern and Western Fathers. Aileran's works include lives of Sts. Patrick and Brigid and a commentary on the genealogy of Jesus which was popular in the Middle Ages.

**NEWS AND ISSUES**

Things are relatively quiet on the Ohio front. Here are a few matters of national interest.

--Organizers are planning for the annual March for Life, to be held January 29, 2021, on the Mall in Washington, D.C., though what impact continuing pandemic restrictions may have upon it is not clear.

--Dioceses throughout the country continue to struggle with pandemic restrictions, some of which are blatantly discriminatory against public worship as compared to shopping, dining, getting a tan or a perm, demonstrating, and even rioting. The Archdiocese of Brooklyn, unsuccessful in lower courts, has petitioned the U.S. Supreme Court to hear its argument that state restrictions on gatherings are unfairly targeting public worship, by, for instance, in some cases restricting attendance to 10 or 25 people, in churches which are very large.

**LOCAL NEWS**

As they have done for a number of years, Hibernians of Joseph Nalley Sr., Division 6, Youngstown, will aid the Salvation Army bell ringers in the local interfaith effort to brighten Christmas for local people in need.

Do you have local news? Please send it along for inclusion in this report. A Merry Christmas to all.

Fraternally,

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## Ohio Pro Life Bulletin

Dear Brothers,

Covid 19 has made this a very interesting year. With Liquor stores, abortion clinic, lottery store sales, etc. being essential services while church attendance is curtailed along with elective surgery, doctors visits for heat, sugar and other physical conditions, 2021 has just got to improve.

To each of you, your family and loved ones a very Blessed Christmas and healthy New Year.

With a new Federal administration assuming power on January 20, 2021 we in the Pro Life camp have a lot of work. If the new administration follows through with their pre-election promises we will witness tens of millions of dollars flowing into Planned Parenthood for abortions. But do not despair, we have always known that no amount of repealing pro-abortion laws or the passage of new pro-life laws, is the real solution to a culture dedicated to the respect for life from natural birth to natural death. We need to change the minds and hearts of all those who favor abortion, assisted suicide, etc. We can only do this through education and prayer!

I would ask that each of you introduce the "PRAYER FOR LIFE" at the beginning or end of your division and county meetings. The prayer is on page 14 of this Newsletter.

Dave Manley, Ohio AOH Pro Life Chair

### RU486, THE ABORTION PILL

Currently the majority of abortions are done using the drugs mifepristone and misoprostol. Mifepristone is subject to a drug safety program known as "Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy (REMS)" In Ohio, 2 doctor's visits are required for a medication abortion. The first visit must be made at least 24 hours in advance of taking the abortion pills. At the second visit, the first pill of 200mg of

mifepristone is taken orally and given the next pill. 800mg Misoprostol, to take home with instruction to be taken orally within 24-48 hours. The dead child will be expelled usually into the toilet. There are many side effects, such as heavy bleeding, nausea, vomiting, cramping, etc. And the woman is at home, not in a clinic or hospital.

[ from Fall Issue of Life Lines]

### UNETHICAL TESTING FOR COVID VACCINES

It appears that both the Pfizer and Moderna Covid vaccines will be approved very soon. Neither of these vaccines contain any fetal cells or tissue. Both candidates used a technology called mRNA never approved to build their **vaccine**.

In addition they used computer based genetic sequencing. HOWEVER; aborted

derived cell lines was used for pre-trial testing. Animal testing is a standard protocol of vaccine testing. Mice embryos are transplanted with cells of an aborted child that have been programmed to develop into human lungs, the part of the body Covid-19 affects. When the mice are born they have humanized lungs.

According to Dr. Alan Moy of the "John Paul II Medical Research Institute there are several other human cell lines, not from aborted children, available. One such cell line known as A549, an immortalized human alveolar cell line, is available. This would have been more appropriate to test Covid-19 because it targets the alveolar cells.

We should expect much future discussion as to where the Catholic Church stands and if Catholics can or cannot receive either vaccines based on Church teaching.

[from Cleveland Right to Life article by Sarah Quale]

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### OHIO LEGISLATION PENDING

The Unborn Child Dignity Act, SB27 would require that aborted fetal remains be treated humanely following an abortion. The Act would require the Ohio Department of Health to establish rules for the proper disposal of fetal remains and to define “humane disposal as earthly burial or cremation. The bill passed by the Senate and awaits action by the House Civil Justice Committee.

Telemed Abortion Ban, SB260 would prohibit a physician from personally furnishing or providing an abortion inducing drug to a pregnant woman unless the physician is physically present where and when the initial dose of the drug is consumed. The bill, passed by the Senate, is currently in the House Health Committee.

And a quote by Dr. Alfreda King, “The most obvious practitioner of racism in the United States is Planned Parenthood, an organization founded by the eugenicist Margaret Sanger and recently documented to accept money to eliminate black babies”.

### PRAYER FOR LIFE

God of Life and Love,  
you created us in Your Image  
and sent your son to bring us to eternal life  
from natural conception to natural death.

Empower us to work for the poor.  
Nourish us that we may bring food to the hungry.  
Inspire us to cherish the fragile life of the unborn.  
To pray for the parents of the aborted.

Strengthen us to bring comfort to the chronically ill.  
Teach us to treat the aging with dignity and respect.

And bring us one day into everlasting life.  
We ask this through Christ Our Lord.  
AMEN

Respectfully submitted, David Manley Ohio AOH Pro Life Chair

## Division News

### Irish Brigade Div. #1 Medina Co.

Ray Schulte & Dave Manley are all ready planning the AOH 5th Annual Charitable Beer Run. It is scheduled for Saturday, March 20, 2021. We plan to visit 5 Micro Breweries here in Medina County. At this point we believe the cost will be around \$70 PP. More details to come.

### Patrick Pearse Div. #1 Franklin Co.

274 E. Innis, Columbus, OH 43207

#### Tara Hall Activities

#### Friday Nights

Every Friday night..... **“IRISH MUSIC”..... Featuring some of your favorite local & international groups depending on Governor DeWine’s orders**, Doors open 6:30 pm.....Last Call @ 10:00 PM

**All are welcome. Protective Rules Are In Effect. We have your health in regard.**

### Msgr. Donal O’Carroll Div. #1 Washington Co.

It is given that we continue to live in the difficult time of the pandemic. We will have a Merry Christmas Zoom Happy Hour on Wednesday, December 9th at 5:30 pm. It would be wonderful if you could join us, even briefly, and to wish each other Season’s Greetings. We will be sending you an e-mail with the information required to connect on Zoom.

I would like to extend my wish to each of you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving, and a Blessed Christmas. , Thomas Binegar, President

### Mahoning Co. Div. #6

Both the mens and ladies are doing a toy drive to benefit St. Vincent de Paul's Annual Christmas party at our hall Friday Dec. 4 3 pm - 7 pm. and Saturday Dec 5. 10 am - 3 pm. 5110 Southern Blvd. Boardman, OH 44512. Every person who donates an unwrapped new toy will receive a coupon for a sandwich from Chic-Fil-A or Mission BBQ.

Hibernians of Joseph Nalley Sr., Division 6, Youngstown, will aid the Salvation Army bell ringers in the local interfaith effort to brighten Christmas for local people in need.

We are also selling front license plates featuring the AOH logo. See page 7 for more information

### John P. Kelly Div. Lucas Co.

I hope that everyone will stay healthy during this most difficult time. Although we are canceling our Christmas Mass and dinner party as well as meetings in person due to the rise in Covid-19 cases, do not forget your brothers. St. Nicholas brought aid to those he could during his life and we should remember on 5 December to bring a little joy to those we can. The great feast of the Immaculate Conception reminds us that no matter how insignificant we may seem, God has a plan for all of us to be a part of his work. Keep a positive and cheerful attitude. We can never know who we will influence. Many years ago the season of Advent was much more of a penitential season of sacrifice to save up and reflect before the excesses and feasting of Christmas. Let us sacrifice if we are able. Please try to reach out in Charity to someone if you can this year and show how Hibernians have changed the world by God’s grace and will continue.

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