

Ancient Order of HIBERNIANS

Ohio State Board Newsletter January 2022 Volume 4 Issue 1

President's Message



Brothers All,

As I write this note, Christmas is almost upon us, 2021 is almost a wrap, and here comes 2022, ready or not! Lots to talk about this month...

We'll have an in-person state board meeting at Tara Hall in Columbus

on January 15th. Time TBD, but tentatively 10am. As a reminder, your Division is required to have representation at board meetings.

A reminder: It's **report and dues submittal season**. Your Division's leaders should take this responsibility seriously. To help with the work, we sent the End-Of-Year Checklist to all Divisions. No excuses, no reasons for failure to act in a correct, timely fashion. Let's just get it done. This includes:

- Your Form 9, which should be submitted soon after new officers are elected and installed;
- Your Form 11 and dues assessment checks;
- Your IRS reporting.

Recruiting and Retention: We'll soon see who has won each of the three bottles of Redbreast 12:

- One to the Division gaining the greatest number of new members;
- One to the Division with the highest percentage membership increase;
- One to the individual Brother who recruited the greatest number of new members.

Organizer Casey has reached out to many of you with membership inquiries from the National website – they're "free" new members that have literally fallen into our laps. Please follow up and bring 'em in!

What have you done this month to help your Division reach that 5% target, and maybe win one of those bottles of Redbreast 12?

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Chaplain's's Comments



Another year is ended, and a new year is beginning. I'm sure that many of you, like me, are wondering what this new year will bring. Will it bring peace? Will it bring an end to the coronavirus pandemic and a return to normalcy? Will my family be

healthy?

We ask questions like this with every new year, as we look back upon the old year and all that we have experienced, all that we have gone through as a people and as individuals. And I cannot help but realize that the older I get, the more questions I find myself asking. Some of that, I am sure, is due to just how strange and tumultuous the past few years have been. But some of it is also due to an increased awareness of the complexities of life and the world in which we live.

Just as we ask questions at the beginning of a new year, so we ask questions at the beginning of a new life, with the birth of a child. What kind of child will this be? What kind of world will this child know as an adult? Will my child be healthy? Will I be able to provide for all of my child's needs? And so I am sure that Mary, the mother of Jesus, asked such questions. Our Gospel passage from the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, which we celebrate on New Year's Day, tells us that upon the birth of her son, upon the adoration of the shepherds, she pondered all these things, reflecting on them in her heart. Such reflection in the heart is the birthing place of those great questions in life we all tend to ask. But with Mary, I am sure that some

President's Message, cont.

Freedom for All Ireland and Project St. Patrick: As you may remember, at the October state board meeting, I mentioned that in the upcoming winter/spring, I want to do fundraising events for FFAI and PSP at a couple of different Divisions. Summit #2 and Franklin County immediately stepped up and volunteered to host those two events. Our FFAI Chair Pat Williams is leading the plan for a late March fundraiser at their Brown Street Hall. More to come on that, and more to come on a Project St. Patrick fundraiser as well, which will likely be in Columbus.

Missions & Charities and Hibernian Hunger Project: I know that many of you increase your efforts during these

Chaplain's's Comments, cont.

of those questions were different. The Angel Gabriel had told her that her son would be the Son of God. And while she readily professed her faith and in her willingness to do God's will, she must have been filled with questions. And with each passing event—with the adoration of the shepherds, with the gifts offered by the Magi, with the flight into Egypt, she must have been filled with more and more questions—questions not only beyond our ability to answer but even to ask.

Who among us can understand what it meant for Mary to become the Mother of God? Who among us can understand what it meant for her to know that her child would be the salvation of his people, indeed, of the entire world? Who among us would have the faith that Mary had—the faith to say yes in the face of so much that could go wrong, in the face of the utter mystery which awaited her and her son? No wonder Mary pondered all of these things in her heart. No wonder she took the time to reflect upon them as she reflected on the mystery of salvation and her own role in that salvation. holiday seasons. As you continue to serve, PLEASE share your good news with all of us.

Where and when you deem appropriate, I'll be glad and grateful to attend your meetings and events. Please feel free to send invites, and you can bet I'll attend if at all possible.

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

Asking questions is a good thing, so long as we learn to ask the right questions. My prayer for all of us this coming year is that we will take time to ask those questions of ourselves—the questions which cause us to pause and to consider who we are in relation to God and what our roles might be in the salvation of the world. My prayer is that we will take the time to ponder the meaning of God's presence in our lives and the mystery of our salvation in Christ Jesus. My prayer is that, like Mary, the Mother of God, we will ponder all of these things in our hearts, so that we can better understand and appreciate what it means to be created in God's very image and likeness, and what it means to be bearers of Christ's image, and of his saving love, to the world around us.

Fr. John Keehner Chaplain for the State of Ohio National Chaplain

State Board Meeting

Please mark your calendars for **Saturday, January 15th** at (tentatively) 10am, for our next **Ohio AOH Board Meeting.** This will be an in-person-only meeting at Tara Hall in Columbus.

Lots to talk about – reporting and dues, recruiting, FFAI, PSP, and lots more. Look for additional details and agenda soon.

As a reminder to all, Divisions are expected to have representation at state board meetings. This is a base expectation of you as officers.

I look forward to seeing you all soon. Slan, Bob

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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 Veterans Affairs

1) Coronavirus (COVID-19) and Veterans: <u>www.va.gov/coronavirus</u>

Brothers – As of 12/20/2021, the VA in Ohio has completed vaccinations for 144,324 individuals. More details can be found at this website: <u>https://www.va.gov/health-care/covid-19-vaccine/</u>

<u>Please continue to check-in with your local VA facility to see if there are impacts on their operations prior to your appointments: https://www.va.gov/directory/guide/state.asp?STATE=OH&dnum=ALL</u>

VA-Tracked* Cumulative Cases in Ohio: 17,280; 704 Deaths; Active Cases: 968

2) New Eligibility Standards for VA Home Loan Guarantees for National Guard Members:

A new law expands the definition of veteran for the purpose of a home loan to include National Guard members who have mobilized for full-time duty. The update has been made retroactive for prior members, regardless of service dates. Those new eligibility standards include:

• Mobilized to perform full-time Guard duty for at least 90 cumulative days, with 30 days of that service being consecutive.

• Full-time National Guard duty includes training or other duty in the member's status as a member of the National Guard (not including drills, basic training or initial training).

This will be impactful for National Guard members who have been mobilized to state active duty during the pandemic and for other state active-duty missions, where previously only Guard members with Federal mobilizations would qualify. If a National Guard member was previously denied a Certificate of Eligibility for a VA-backed home loan, due to either a lack of consecutive active duty days or the days included training, then interested Guard members should contact a VA mortgage lender in their area to see if they now qualify. Advantages of a VA home loan include \$0 down payment and no private mortgage insurance, better known as PMI.

3) Columbus VA Wylie Clinic New Urgent Care Hours:

The VA Ambulatory Care Center on the east side of Columbus has announced new daily hours for their Urgent Care center. The Columbus VA Urgent Care Center (UCC) is now open daily (see hours below). No appointment is required. Urgent care is ideal for when you need immediate care, but your provider is not available. VA physicians will be on site to address any urgent, but non-emergent needs. Services include lab and radiology, and social workers are available to address any behavioral health concerns.

HOURS:

Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Holidays, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

If you have a medical emergency, you should still get yourself to a full hospital emergency room.

National VA Committee meetings are held online every third Tuesday of each month at 7pm ET. Please contact me if you are interested in participating. Also, be sure to visit the Ohio Department of Veterans Services at <u>www.ohiovets.gov</u> to learn more about veterans benefits as well as the National AOH site at <u>www.aoh.com/</u><u>veterans-affairs</u> for information about services around the country.

Danny Eakins, Veterans Affairs Chair

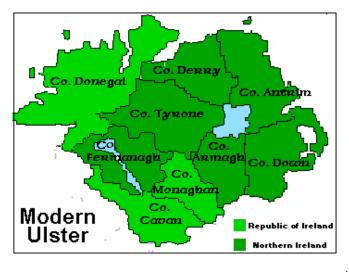
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State Historian's Report

The Plantation of Ulster

By: J. Michael Finn, State Historian

To look for a beginning to the on-going problems in the occupied six counties of Ireland, we must look at how and when these counties became occupied.



In 1607, following the Flight of the Earls, King James I of England saw an opportunity to gain land for profit in the Province of Ulster. The Flight of the Earls provided a welcome excuse for the wholesale robbing of the Irish clans. It was a very simple matter for James to find that all of the Ulster Irish Chiefs had been conspiring to rebel against England. Hence, they were all guilty of high treason against England and, naturally, their lands were forfeit and available for distribution among James' greedy followers.

The fact that the clan-lands did not then, or ever, belong to the head of the clan was of little consequence to the English. Under Irish law, land ownership, if you could call it that, resided with the clan community, not with the individual Chieftain.

The English Lord Lieutenant, Sir Arthur Chichester and the Attorney General, Sir John Davies were the principal designers of the plan to confiscate the clan-lands. This grand scheme was known as the Ulster Plantation.

The Crown confiscated the lands of six Ulster counties (Donegal, Derry, Tyrone, Fermanagh, Cavan and Armagh), almost four million acres. The lands of the remaining three counties of Ulster were confiscated at a later time. The true owners of the land, the native Irish, were driven like wild animals from the rich and fertile valleys of Ulster. This land had been their home and the home of their ancestors for thousands of years. The native Irish were driven west to the bogs, moors and rocks of Connaught. It was hoped by the English that there they might starve and perish, many did.

English and Scottish Servitors of the Crown scrambled for the fertile lands that were given to them in parcels. The county of Derry was divided up among the London trade guilds that had financed the plantation scheme (they changed the name to Londonderry). Catholic Church lands were bestowed upon the Protestant bishops.

The English had previously tried a similar plantation scheme in the Province of Munster. There, the English planters inter-married with the Irish and adopted Irish customs and style of dress (they became, as the old saying goes, "more Irish than the Irish"). Worst of all, to the English, these planters had often converted to Catholicism.

State Historian's Report, cont.

Unlike their previous effort, this scheme came with conditions that specifically bound the Ulster planters to repress and abhor the native Irish. They were bound by written contract never to sell their land to Irish; never to adopt Irish customs; never to inter-marry with the Irish; never to permit any Irish, other than servants, to exist on or near their lands.

The planters were also bound to build castles with high walls and to keep many armed British retainers (the Army). Armed British retainers constituted a permanent British garrison that would help to tame, if not exterminate, the native Irish. Over 400+ years later those walls, both real and imagined, between the people still exist. The armed British garrison has departed, but the north of Ireland remains under British control.

The character of the planters who were given lands has often been called into question. They were described by two of their fellow planters as follows: John Reid wrote, "Among those who divine providence did send to Ireland ... the most part were such as either poverty or scandalous lives had forced hither." Robert Stewart wrote, "From Scotland came many, and from England not a few, yet all of them generally the scum of both nations, who from debt, or breaking, or fleeting justice, or seeking shelter, came hither hoping to be without fear of man's justice."

And what became of the native Irish who were driven off their land to starve or perish? That part of the plan was also effective from the English point of view. Thousands of Irish died of starvation, exposure and disease in the rocky west of Ireland. Many thousands more fled to Europe. It was said that the lot of those who lived and remained was far worse than those who went into exile or death.

In order for us to fully understand the situation in the north of Ireland, we must be familiar with its history. It was King James I and his Plantation of Ulster that helped set the stage for the many troubles that have been inflicted upon the north of Ireland and its people.



Ohio AOH Missions & Charities Report

Chris Konik, Ohio AOH Missions & Charities Chair chriskonik@mindspring.com

Project St. Patrick Fundraiser at Tara Hall

State President Bob Harper has requested Patrick Pearse Division hold a Project St. Patrick fundraiser in the Spring of 2022 to coincide with the annual Easter Appeal. This particular event will be more of a statewide effort. Stay tuned...

Project St. Patrick

All divisions must have a Project St Patrick representative and division information filed with your diocese. This allows the Bishop's Office to see how the AOH supports local seminarians and those pursuing vocations. Please update your forms. Name recognition scholarships can be made to honor clergy, fellow Hibernians or someone who has passed. PSP forms are posted online at: <u>https://aoh.com/project-st-patrick</u>

Catholic Men's Conference (Columbus, Ohio)

The 25th Annual Catholic Men's Conference returns to an in-person gathering on Saturday, February 26th, 2022. Once again, the event will be held in Kasich Hall at the Ohio Expo Center in Columbus, Ohio. More info: <u>https://www.catholicmensministry.com/2022-conference-overview</u>

Patrick Pearse Division #1 will have a booth to promote AOH membership and continue our tradition of sponsoring a booth for the Dead Theologians Society. This combination has proved very successful in the past.

St. Ladislas Food Pantry

Patrick Pearse Division #1 presented a \$1000 check to the St. Ladislas Church food pantry, just a block away from Tara Hall, during the division Officer Installation and Christmas Party. Division President Ken Stebleton and Past Franklin County President Pat Visel are pictured in the photo below.



Statewide Division News

Email notification of your division missions and charities work to chickonik@mindspring.com

From the Desk of President O'Connell

Please see the note from Martin Galvin Below. There is still time for you, your division and all boards of the AOH to make an impact on this years Freedom for All Ireland Christmas Appeal. During the last 20 years, The Ancient Order of Hibernians in America Christmas Appeal has provided more than \$1,262,700.00 in support for a Free and United Ireland. We can't slow down now.

"Ireland Unfree Shall Never Be At Peace", Patrick Pearse - August 1, 1915.

God Bless,

Danny O'Connell

National President

The Ancient Order of Hibernians in America

Less than a month remains until the January 15th deadline for this year's Christmas Appeal

Because Boris Johnson and the British want to close down work for freedom for all Ireland, these grant recipients desperately need us to come through for them this year!

We cannot let down those working for freedom for all Ireland, at a time when their work is needed most.

Please donate to this year's CHRISTMAS APPEAL. Together we can make a difference. All checks must be made out to "Ancient Order of Hibernians".

Payments should be sent to AOH-FFAI at PO Box 904 JEFFERSON VALLEY NY 10535.

Happy New Year, Martin Galvin National Freedom for All Ireland Chairman. The Ancient Order of Hibernians in America.



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Mark Your Calendars

State Board Meeting

January 15, 2022

10:00 am

Tara Hall

Columbus OH

March for Life

January 21, 2022

https://marchforlife.org/

2022 AOH National Convention

July 13-17, 2022

Pittsburgh PA

Convention registration and hotel information can be found on the convention web page link: http://www.2022pittsburghconvention.com

2024 AOH National Convention

Orlando FL

Commodore Barry Medal



The AOH Ohio State Board is pleased to offer the **Commodore John Barry Medal** to AOH Divisions for \$25. This medal is intended to be awarded to members for outstanding service or achievement. Each medal comes individually packaged in an attractive display case with a printed history of Commodore Barry.

Yours in our Motto,

Mike McKenzie, Ohio State Board

Mike McKenzie at: (330) 329 2652, tmmckenzie31@gmail.com

Catholic Action

In the early part of January, we are still within the Christmas season. The Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God (Jan. 1) is a holy day of obligation. At the Baptism of the Lord (January 9), we pass from the Christmas season to a segment of Ordinary Time prior to the Lenten season, from the liturgical color white to green. In the month of January, two American saints are commemorated, Elizabeth Ann Seton (January 4) and John Neumann (January 5), the latter of whom spent some time in Ohio. January 22 is a day of prayer for the legal protection of the unborn.

MAJOR SAINTS AND FEAST DAYS OF JANUARY

January 1	Mary, the Mother of God	Solemnity
January 2	Epiphany of the Lord	Solemnity
January 3	Most Holy Name of Jesus	
January 4	Elizabeth Ann Seton	Memorial
January 5	John Neumann, Bishop	Memorial
January 9	Baptism of the Lord	Feast
January 13	Hilary, Bishop and Doctor	
January 17	Anthony, Abbot	Memorial
January 20	Fabian, Pope and Martyr	
	Sebastian, Martyr	
January 21	Agnes, Virgin and Martyr	Memorial
January 24	Francis de Sales. Bishop and Doctor	Memorial
January 25	Conversion of Paul, Apostle	Feast
January 26	Timothy and Titus, Bishops	Memorial
January 28	Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor	Memorial

WORTHY RECEPTION OF THE EUCHARIST

As the Church has consistently taught, a person who receives Holy Communion while in a state of mortal sin not only does not receive the graces that the sacrament conveys; he or she commits the sin of sacrilege by failing to show the reverence due to the sacred Body and Blood of Christ.

--From "The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church," adopted by the U.S. bishops at their November General Meeting.

IRISH SAINTS OF JANUARY

Ita (d.c. 570)

January 15

Ita was supposedly of royal lineage and was born in one of the baronies of Decies, Waterford, Ireland. After refusing to marry, she secured her father's permission to embrace perpetual virginity. At Killeedy, Limerick, she founded a religious community of women and also a school for boys, among the graduates of which may have been St. Brendan. Many extravagant miracles are attributed to her. She is also known as Deirdre, Ida, or Mida.

Catholic Action, cont.

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Fursey stands out among early Irish saints in having biographical details fairly abundant and in reliable sources. He was probably born on Inisquin in Lough Corri, of an aristocratic family. He built a monastery, probably at Killursa, to which many disciples came. Fursey often fell into trance-like or ecstatic states, in which he experienced terrifying visions of demonic influences upon sinful men. After about twelve years of preaching throughout Ireland, he travelled to East Anglia in Britain with his brothers Foillan and Ultan. There, they founded a monastery at Burgh Castle near Yarmouth, under the patronage of King Sigebert. Fursey later sojourned in Neustria on the continent, where he was welcomed by King Clovis II, founded a monastery at Lagny, and died shortly thereafter.

Deicolus (c. 530-c. 625)

Fursey (d.c. 648)

Deicolus, also known as Desle, may have been the elder brother of St. Gall, born in Leinster, and was one of the twelve disciples of Columban who accompanied him to Gaul in 576. He worked with Columban in Austrasia and Burgundy. Age prevented him from accompanying Columban when he was expelled in 610. Deicolus founded a monastery at Lure and lived as a hermit in his later years. Columban is supposed to have asked Deicolus once why he was always smiling, receiving the reply: "Because no one can take God from me."

Albert of Cashel (7th or 8th century)

A great deal of confusion surrounds the life of this saint. Albert was a priest from among the Angles, who sojourned in Ireland and in Bavaria on the continent. He has been associated with the see of Cashel, but the story that he was its bishop cannot be true, since the bishopric did not exist at the time of his alleged reign there. The story of his friendship with St. Erhard is also problematic, since they may not have been contemporaries. He is said to have died in Regensberg, Germany, on his way home from a pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

Fillan, Abbot (8th century)

Fillan, also known as Foelan, was the son of Feriach and St. Kentigerna. He took monastic vows at a young age. He accompanied his royal Leinster mother to Scotland, living as a hermit near St. Andrew's for years, before being elected abbot. Later, he resigned the abbacy and resumed his eremetic life in Perthshire. Extravagant miracles are attributed to him. One story relates that after a wolf had killed an ox he was using to haul materials to his church, his prayers induced the wolf to take the place of the ox.

Aidan, Bishop (d. 626)

Unreliable legends cloud our knowledge of this saint, also known as Maedoc. He was born in Connaught. After a stay in Leinster, he travelled to St. David's in Wales, where he studied Scripture. He is said to have miraculously repelled several Saxon attacks there. Later he returned to Ireland, founded a monasterey at Ferns, Wexford, and eventually was consecrated bishop there. He was known as a man of great kindness to man and animal alike. He is represented in art as a stag; this stems from a story that he once rendered a stag invisible to save it from hounds.

LEGISLATIVE AND OTHER ISSUES

Last month we mentioned that the Born- live Infant Protection Act had passed the Ohio State Senate. It has now passed through the House (59-33) and will likely be signed by Governor DeWine (R) soon.

The National March for Life will take place in Washington, D.C., January 21. Hibernians are encouraged to participate or to check for local observances.

Do you have local news? Please send for inclusion in this report.

Fraternally,

Patrick J. Lally lally8404@hotmail.com

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January 19

Pro Life Report

SPEAK LIFE

From Rebecca Weber, Editor of AMAC Magazine (Volume 15-issue6)

"Sadly, many Americans believe that the burden of an unwanted pregnancy warrants the taking of a life-of God's creation. When did children become burdens instead of blessings? What have we forgotten? And why, even when science teaches us how miraculous human development is, with a heart beating as early as 5 weeks, and a fully developed heart by the tenth, do we not grant the right to life to the most innocent?"

"Today we live in a time where unwanted pregnancies are all too common and abortion is widely considered an acceptable form of birth control. A woman's right to an abortion has been fought for in the name of freedom (of choice) Government "encourages Americans to adopt the belief that women should feel empowered by their right to take away the life of their developing baby in the womb and to unleash lawyers to fight back against" heartbeat bills.

"Abortion has been labeled as health care and as "care for pregnant women". Abortion has been labeled as liberating, empowering, freeing, and the "protection of reproductive rights". And this is what our young girls are hearing". The truth is, abortion is the furthest thing from care. It takes away a human life and can cause lasting and damaging psychological stress and physical harm to the mother.

Scientific research shows that a fetus's hearing rate increases after hearing it's mother's voice, illustrating that life is a continuous process, beginning at conception and a human being at all stages of development. This is a biological fact. As Dr. Watson A. Bowes of the University of Colorado Medical School asserted in 1981, this fact "should never be distorted to serve sociological, political or economic goals"".

MORE ON THE FETUS FOUD IN THE TRASH

Hopefully you have read our last BULLETIN and recall the finding of the dismembered remains of an aborted baby in the trash, along with medical records behind a Cuyahoga Falls abortion clinic.

From Right to Life of Northeast Ohio, I have received an email detailing an email they received from the State Medical Board of Ohio that their complaint filed against David Burkons the abortionist at the Ohio Women's Center in Cuyahoga Falls, had been closed. The Ohio State Medical Board's unwillingness to address Burkons's blatant disregard for even basic health standards, is made worse by the additional fact that in 2017 the Ohio State Medical Board suspended his license for improperly dispensing narcotics. He was signing blank prescriptions and giving controlled substances to friends.

Would you consider contacting the Ohio State Medical Board at (614)466-3934 or <u>contact@med.ohio.gov</u>. to voice your disapproval of their not holding Burkons accountable for careless disregard for medical records, as well as the dismembered parts of a human fetus.

"IT'S A MAN'S WORLD"

For men, abortion is not a topic to be avoided, but embraced as you gather in the new year with family and friends-even those who disagree with you on abortion.

Abortion is one of the most brilliantly orchestrated scams that bad men have ever created, and millions of feminist have fallen for it. Abortion is a man's issue in the worst way for the following reasons: 1.) Women didn't vote on this, abortion was mandated by an all-male Supreme Court, 2.)Most abortion facilities are owned by men, 3.) Most abortion doctors are men, and 3.) Men don't lie on the table and have the abortion.

The winners of abortion are bad men, promiscuous, irresponsible men who want to use women and who are, most of the time, no where to be found on the day of the abortion. No one benefits more from abortion than bad men.

Pro Life Report, cont.

Men either escape responsibility or profit directly from abortion. It's one of the reasons you hear so many male abortion doctors romanticize their work like they are missionaries. Most male abortionists never intended on doing abortions while in medical school. It's not a respectable or honored field like oncology, orthopedics or cardiology. Abortionists aren't exactly invited to give commencement speeches to medical school graduates. Most abortion doctors had a financial crisis or medical malpractice case and needed the cash. They are making a fortune off scared women, used, abandoned or abused by men.

(from winter issue 2021-22 40 days for life, editor S Casey)

WOMEN'S HEALTH PROTECTION ACT

On September 24th, by a vote of 218 to 211 the US House of Representatives passed HR3755. It was a Congressional Declaration of war on life! San Francisco's Archbishop Salvatore Cordilone "Women's Health Protection Act" allowed "nothing short of child sacrifice" It is surely the type of legislation one would expect from a devout Satanist......" he added. Kansas Archbishop Joseph Naumann called it the"most extreme pro-abortion bill our nation has ever seen." The bill passed with all but one vote (Rep. H. Cullar) from the majority party and all nay votes from the minority party. HR3755 would bar any and all state legislation restricting abortion, up to, through, and beyond birth. It prohibits waiting periods, informed consent and conscience rights. All hospitals are required to provide abortions, and medical personnel cannot be exempted on the basis of conscience rights. Parents will have no right to withhold consent for their minor daughters' abortions, because they have no right to be informed about them. The legislation is unlikely to be approved by the US Senate.

(From Population Research Institute Nov.-Dec. Issue article by Dr. Christopher Manion)

OHIO PRO LIFE NEWS

The Ohio House of Representatives recently passed S.B. 157, THE BORN-ALIVE INFANT PROTECTION ACT, and sent the bill on to the Governor. By the time you read this BULLETIN it should be law. Although Ohio has a similar protecting abortion survivors, it failed to prohibit permitting the child to die by neglect. S.B. 123, THE HUMAN LIFE PROTECTION ACT, thanks to Ohio Senator Kristina Roegner is championing this bill. This bill would eliminate most legal abortions in Ohio should the US Supreme Court outlaw or as many expect return control to each state. For details about the bill see my last BULLETIN.

(From Right to Life of Northeast Ohio December 9, 2021 release)

FINALLY

Right to life of Northeast Ohio along with Vineyard Church, is sponsoring a RIGHT to Life march, on January 22nd from Vineyard Church at 2593 State Road, Cuyahoga Falls. They will march past the abortion clinic detailed early in this Bulletin.

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My wife, Ruth Ann, and I will be making the trip to Washington, D.C. to participate in the March for Life on Friday, January 21st. If you can, please join us or please pray for safe trip and that the day turns more hearts toward the support of our Pro Life work.

David Manley, Ohio AOH Pro Life Chair

Organizer Report

John O'Brien, editor of *i*Irish newsmagazine and member of the Medina County AOH recently stated he would like to have more information from divisions around the state to showcase in his monthly newsmagazine. *i*Irish already distributes to many of the divisions and would like to include more information for all of the divisions as well. This would be a good way to help increase membership around the state, share our mission and work, while also letting people know of upcoming events; *i*Irish is distributed in 627 locations in and around Ohio.

John's email is jobrien@iirish.us if you would like to send John news and events or would like to receive *i*Irish for your membership.

Joe Casey,

State Organizer, National Deputy Organizer

Bluestone Division, Cleveland Ohio

In October, 2021, the Bluestone Division, Cleveland Ohio helped their chaplain, Father Francis Walsh celebrate his 90th birthday. Members of the Bluestone Division as well as family members attended Mass at St. Jerome Church, in the Collinwood neighborhood of Cleveland, which was celebrated by Father Walsh. After Mass, the Bluestone Division hosted a breakfast for the parish.

The picture of the Bluestone members with Father Walsh was taken in the St Jerome School cafeteria, which was painted a year earlier by Bluestone Division members.



Msgr. Donal O'Carroll Division, Washington Co.



Division President Tom Binegar introduced AOH State President, Brother Bob Harper. State President Harper introduced himself and gave some background and history of his interest in the AOH. He noted that he has watched the dwindling of interest and membership in the State AOH and vowed to "turn it around." He had provided membership targets and goals for the Divisions within the State of Ohio. He noted the fact that he had offered a prize to the Division who met and exceed- ed its goals in new members and membership retention. He reminded the Division that he had offered a prize of 12-year-old Red Breast Irish Whiskey, purchased from his own pocket, to the Division who was able to meet "The State Standard," that President Harper had set. President Harper noted that the Washington County Ohio Division #1, Msgr. Donal O'Carroll had met the challenge and that he was there to present the Division with his personal token of appreciation. He thanked President Binegar and the Brothers of the Division for not only their effort but their success. He went on to talk about the goals and

objectives of the State AOH and the fact that a State AOH Newsletter had been started and complimented the Washington Division on their publication and thanked Bro. Pat Kelly for sharing it statewide. Bob also presented a handcrafted Celtic Knot wall plaque, of his own making, to Ms. Jodie Bonnette of Moran Construction, for giving the Washington County Division a "home."

At the conclusion of Ohio AOH State President Harper's presentation, Tom Binegar, on behalf of the Division, presented Brother Harper with a token of esteem and appreciation from the Division. In return, President Harper presented a "challenge coin," of his own design, to Division President Binegar and, in absentia, Division Vice-President, Pat Kelly for their service and dedication to the AOH. The presentations, in both directions, were accentuated by applause. The Division was most honored to have President Harper visit.

In honor of President Harper's visit and because the Harmar Tavern had been reserved for a congregation of bikers, Brother and Mrs. Barbara Binegar, provided victuals for the after meeting repast. The provisions were substantial, varied and much appreciated by all in attendance.

President Binegar introduced Fr. Jeremiah Hahn. Fr. Hahn thanked the membership and noted he was honored to be a part of the organization. He noted he would be there for and with us when and where he could, depending on his duties and assignments at the Basilica of St. Mary. President Binegar presented him with the medal and ribbon of office along with a Celtic Cross Magnet for his fridge or his car.

Vincent Applegate had been inducted into the Division via Zoom, earlier this year but wanted the formality of the Shamrock Degree at a meeting. Following the induction ritual, the Division welcomed Bro. Vincent Applegate, of Cambridge, Ohio. It was an honor and a pleasure for us all to meet Vince, in person.