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#### Dates to Remembe-

Next meeting - May 8, 2pm Golden Ace Financial Secretary - Joe Cahill





Two great Cathedrals of the same name, one belonging to Church of Ireland other and the Roman Catholic. face each other on adjoining hills in center-city Armagh. in Northern Ireland Both churches are named after St.

Patrick.

The first of these unique structures, the ancient Church of Ireland Cathedral of St. Patrick is built on the hill of Ard Mhacha. It is the site of an even older fort around which modern Armagh city developed.

bers and a straw roof was built there by St. Leonia, N.J. She was 95 years old. Patrick in 445 AD. There has been a church on this site for more than 1,500 years, al- Celebration three times, the last time being though in the turbulence of Irish history the in 2012 at the Indiana Roof. In that per actual building has been built and rebuilt may times. The church came under control of the Anglican Church during the 16th century English conquest of Ireland.

## **Summer Picnic**

President Branson announced that we intend to have a summer picnic, although the date and format changes have yet to be determined. More information in the next newsletter...

# **Sponsor Thank-You**

As stated in last month's newsletter. Pat Miles contacted all St. Patrick's Day Printed Program sponsors and thanked them for their continued support. Several of these businesses responded with donations and letters of continued support. Pat wishes to especially recognize Jockish Flowers. Andrews Florist, and Greenfield Banking Company. He asks that we frequent these businesses when possible.

## Canmel Quinn

Legendary Irish singer Carmel Quinn It is said that the original church of tim- passed away on March 6 at her home in

She performed at our St. Patrick's Day

Next Meeting in 2021, May 8, 2 pm - Golden Ace

# Let Us Pray

Andrew Russell
Jo Archer
Jenny Flores
Bobby Griffin
Paul Clark
Dan O'Connor
Terry O'Hara
Fr. Bob Gilday
B ob Boyle
Ken Hurley
Msgr. Harold Knueve



Dennis Harrington Caroline Scheidler Jim O'Rourke Fr. James Wilmoth Debbie Barrett Jeff Veldhof Bill Farrell Mark Payne Francis Noone Msgr. Paul Kotter Theo Ouillen

## In Sympathy

- Rev. Michael Brown (AOH) passed away in South Carolina.

## Meeting Notes

- The March and April Hibernian meetings were held outside on Saturday afternoons behind the Golden Ace Inn in the new patio section. The large area, enclosed by an eight-foot privacy fence and filled with new picnic tables, is a perfect place under current conditions to hold our meetings. When the weather is good, as it has been for both our meetings, it's a very accommodating and pleasant place to be.

- Financial Secretary Joe Cahill (1216 Frederick Dr. S, Indianapolis IN 46260-3423, 317-257-3716) reports that we are in good shape in comparison with last year in regard to Hibernian dues payments. However, several members have not paid this year. As a reminder for those who owe dues, there will be a \$\$\$ symbol after your name on the newsletter label.

- The St. Patrick's Day Celebration video, created by AOH members Dan McNelis and Eamon Hegarty, is now available on our AOH web site – aohindy.com.

It was suggested that we might create a video to promote the division.

- Hibernian Scholarship winners for 2021 (Scott Cahill - Roncalli - Katie White AOH Scholarship, Caoímhe Knutson - Cathedral - Denis J. Moriarty AOH Scholarship, Connor Cadwallader -Roncalli - Jim McCaughna AOH Scholar

ship and Owen Mercer - Brebeuf Jesuit - Hibernian Kehoe Scholarship) have been notified that their \$1,500 checks are ready to be sent out. Each recipient expressed appreciation and gratitude for receiving his award.

- The meeting concluded with a discussion concerning Brexit and the resurgence of the "Troubles" in Northern Ireland.

Parts of Northern Ireland are still split along sectarian lines (Loyalists and Nationalist), 23 years after a peace deal largely ended Northern Ireland's Troubles - which lasted almost 30 years and cost the lives of more than 3,500 people.

It was noted that new violence has recently started in areas of Northern Ireland by loyalists in favor of keeping Northern Ireland as part of the United Kingdom. There were protests and rioting on a near-nightly basis in a number of towns and cities, including Belfast, Derry, Carrickfergus, Ballymena and Newtownabbey.

Leaders have linked the violence to a number of issues. A primary issue is the simmering loyalist tensions over the Irish Sea border imposed as a result of the UK-EU Brexit deal. Since the UK is no longer part of the EU, customs rules must now be imposed. The sea border was introduced to avoid the need for a hard border on land between Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland; EU customs rules are now enforced at Northern Ireland's ports. It is thought by some that this damages trade and threatens Northern Ireland's place in the UK.

Several AOH members said they would look into the situation.

- 50/50 wininer- Victor Doucleff \$25

Newsletter Editor. - Jim Lynch, 317-787-5734 lynch3425@sbcglobal.net The present structure is mainly a 19th century restoration of a 13th century shell. A plaque on the outside north wall of the church commemorates Brian Boru, the last High King of Ireland, who defeated the Vikings but was killed at the Battle of Clontarf in 1014. It is said that his bones are buried on the grounds of the church. The last major restoration of the church took place between 1834 and 1840.

It was during this period that work began on the St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Cathedral (Page 1). The foundation stone was laid in 1840 but work was halted during the Irish Famine 1846-47. Work did not begin again until 1854. The church was dedicated in 1873 and the beautiful interior was completed around the turn of the century. The church features twin 210 ft. spires, making it the tallest such structure in the county.

Being the seat of the Archbishops of Armagh, the Primates of All Ireland for both the Roman Catholic Church and the Church of Ireland, makes Armagh the ecclesiastical capital of Ireland. Strangely, Armagh is the least-populated city\* in Ireland.

Armagh has been an educational center since the time of St. Patrick, and thus it has been referred to as "the city of saints and scholars". By the 7th century, Armagh had become the site of the most important church, monastery and monastic school in the north of Ireland. The Book of Armagh was produced in the monastery in the early 9th century and contains some of the oldest surviving specimens of Old Irish. The book is now housed in Trinity College, Dublin.

\*Armagh was given city status in 1994 by Queen Elizabeth II. It had a population of 14,777 people in the 2011 Census, making it the least-populated city in Ireland and the fifth smallest in the United Kingdom.

### St. Brigid of Ireland, Abbess of Kildare (450 - 525)

Brigid was born in Ireland in 450 AD. Brigid's father was a pagan and married Brigid's mother, a slave. Brigid was a disciple of St. Patrick, who baptized her parents, then her. As a young child Brigid had compassion for the poor, giving away food and clothing and even her father's possessions to the poor. Brigid was granted her freedom when it proved impossible to curb her enthusiasm for giving alms. She became a nun and eventually the abbess of Kildare Monastery.

Brigid is one of the patron saints of Ireland, along with St. Patrick and St. Columba. She is also the patron saint of poets, scholars-people who devote themselves to the study of one subject, dairymaids, blacksmiths, healers, cattle, fugitives, Irish nuns, midwives, and new-born babies.

And believe it or not, she is the patron saint of beer. It is said that at one time "She supplied beer out of one barrel to eighteen churches". She is to have said, "I would like a great lake of beer for the King of Kings; I would like the people of heaven to be drinking it through time eternal."

Blessed Among Us – Robert Ellsberg

#### A Great Saint!

formance she was dynamic, going into the audience and enchanting the crowd. No one left that performance early! Carmel Quinn was born in Dublin on July 21, 1925, and moved to the United States in 1954. She won the Arthur Godfrey Talent Scouts radio contest in 1955 and went on to appear on Arthur Godfrey and His Friends, The Pat Boone Chevy Showroom, The Ed Sullivan Show. Match Game. and Candid Camera.

She was nominated for a Grammy Award for her recording and her live theatrical performances included starring roles in Wildcat, Finian's Rainbow, and The Sound of Music. Quinn received the John F. Kennedy Award for excellence in her field in 1991, the second woman to do so. She sold out Carnegie Hall on St. Patrick's Day for two decades

