The Monthly Newsletter of the Father John Murphy Division, Ancient Order of Hibernians in America

THE CROPPY BOY

NOVEMBER 2024



NOVEMBER FEATURE: 175TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SHIPWRECK OF THE BRIG ST. JOHN

THE FATHER JOHN MURPHY DIVISION SIGNALS THE END OF A GREAT SUMMER

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Father John Murphy Division #9
Cordage Commerce Center
36 Cordage Park Circle, Suite 220A
Plymouth, MA 02360



Father John Murphy,
The Rebellion of 1798

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NEW MEMBERSHIP

If any current members are aware of fellow Irish Catholics interested in joining the cause of the Ancient Order of Hibernians please invite them to a monthly meeting. New Membership Applications are readily available.

There is strength in numbers and increasing membership is the first step in maximizing our charitable efforts and performing our call to action!

FROM THE OFFICERS' DESK

ELECTIONS

Dear Brothers, it is that time of year again. Nominations for officer positions will be taken at the November meeting with elections to occur at the December meeting.

Becoming an officer is a great way to get more involved with the division and see how our organization works as a whole.



SOCIAL

On Monday, November 18th members will be gathering at Dillon's Local to support friend of the division Stephen Lindsay and his bandmates on his second night of return. We will also be presenting owner Colin Dillon with a token of our appreciation for their establishment. We invite any members who can to attend. Details are in the schedule of events.

calendar of events



2 **Annual Food Drive**
9am - 2pm
Our Annual Food Drive in front of the Plymouth location of Market Basket

14 **General Meeting**
7:00pm, Cordage Commerce Center
Monthly meeting of the Father John Murphy Division

18 **Dillon's Local Social**
5pm - 8pm
New monthly appearance by The Lindsay's at Dillon's Local. We will also present Colin Dillon with a token of the division's appreciation.

28 **Happy Thanksgiving!**
The Father John Murphy Division wishes it's members and their families a very Happy Thanksgiving!

musical calendar

Dates, locations and times where you can find Hibernians or Friends of the Division playing in the Plymouth County area.

BROTHER STEVE KERR

Traditional Sessions

The Snug Pub - Hingham, MA, Mondays 5:30pm
The ICC Pub - Canton, MA , Fridays 7:00pm
Malachy's Saloon - Quincy, MA. Wednesdays 6:00pm

BROTHER DENIS O'GORMAN

nothing local schedules for
September

WEEKLY TRADITIONAL SESSIONS

THE SNUG PUB

116 North St., Hingham, MA
Mondays, Starting at 5:30pm

Dillon's Local

21 S. Park Ave., Plymouth, MA
Third Monday of the Month, 5pm - 8pm

MARTINI'S BAR & GRILL (FEATURING STEVE LINDSEY)

50 Court St., Plymouth, MA
First Monday of the Month, 5pm - 8pm

THE TINKER'S SON

707 Main St., Norwell, MA
Wednesdays, 6pm - 9pm

THE COTTAGE BAR

26 Union St., Weymouth, MA
Thursdays, Starting at 6:30pm & Sunday afternoons

THE AULD TRIANGLE - WEEKLY IRISH MUSIC

42 Main St., Hyannis, MA
Saturdays, 7pm - 10m

CJ'S BAR & GRILL @ JOHN CARVER INN

225 Summer St., Plymouth, MA
Saturdays, 6pm - 9pm



2024 Father John Murphy Division Christmas Party

the 2024 Christmas Party
will take place at East Bay Grille
on Sunday December 15th from 1pm - 4pm.

Cocktail hour starting at 1pm
with dinner served at 2pm

Cost is $45/ seat
CASH BAR

Menu includes:

- Garden Salad
- Vegetable
- Chicken Marsala
- Rice Pilaf
- Baked Schrod
- Steak Tips

Dessert

TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT PAYMENT MUST BE MADE BY THE DECEMBER MEETING EITHER IN PERSON OR MAILED TO BRENDAN BURKE AT
30 MOUNTAIN ASH DRIVE
KINGSTON, MA 02364

2024 Brig St. John Commemoration

The 175th Anniversary of the shipwreck of the brig St. John was a fantastic weekend! The walking tour and speaking program on Saturday was both informative and eye opening. Detailing not only the events of the tragic shipwreck but also the context of the historical times that was the backdrop for the event.

The ceili that was organized by Mairin Ui Cheide was an enjoyable and poignant way to remember what the passengers would have experienced the night before the tragic shipwreck.

Sunday was an opportunity for us all to come together in our faith and reflect on the events and the individuals who were impacted by it. Monsignor Bergin did a fantastic job as the celebrant and a big thank you to all the Hibernians who participated in the Mass.

Below are photos from the day for all to enjoy!




Famine Heroes: James Hack
Tuke & Sir Robert Gore Booth
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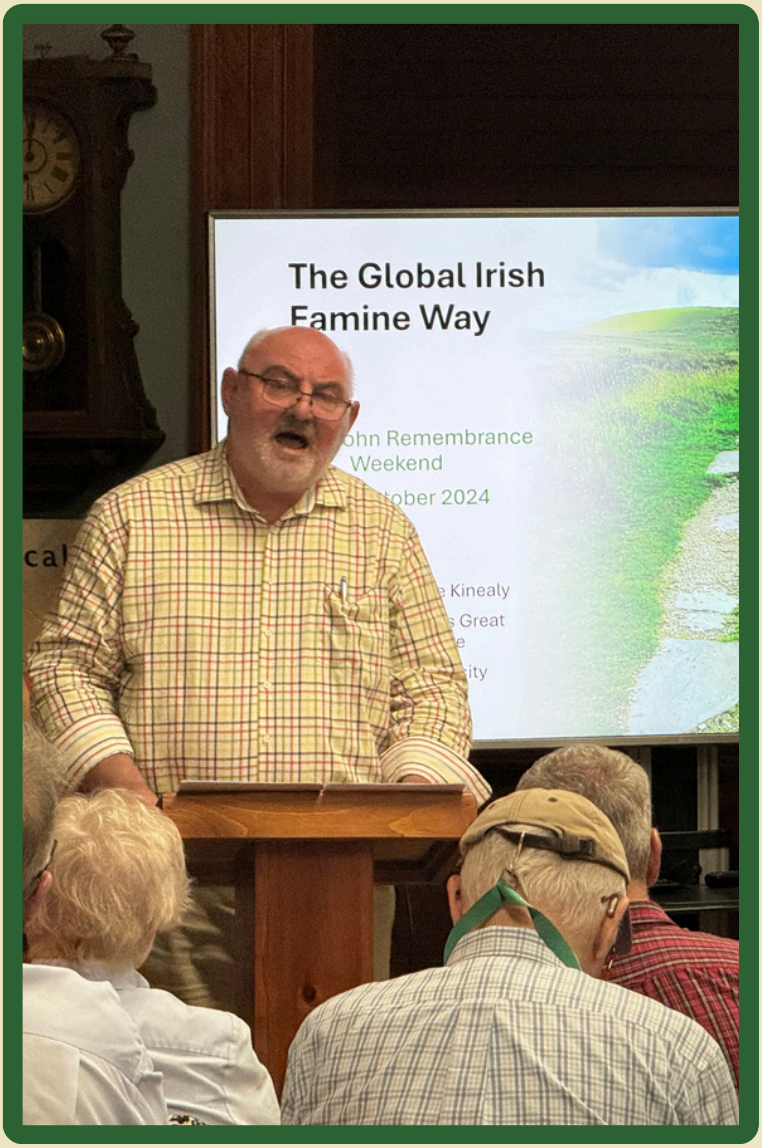



William Rathbone V
and the voyage of the
USS Jamestown




Departure of
Forbes

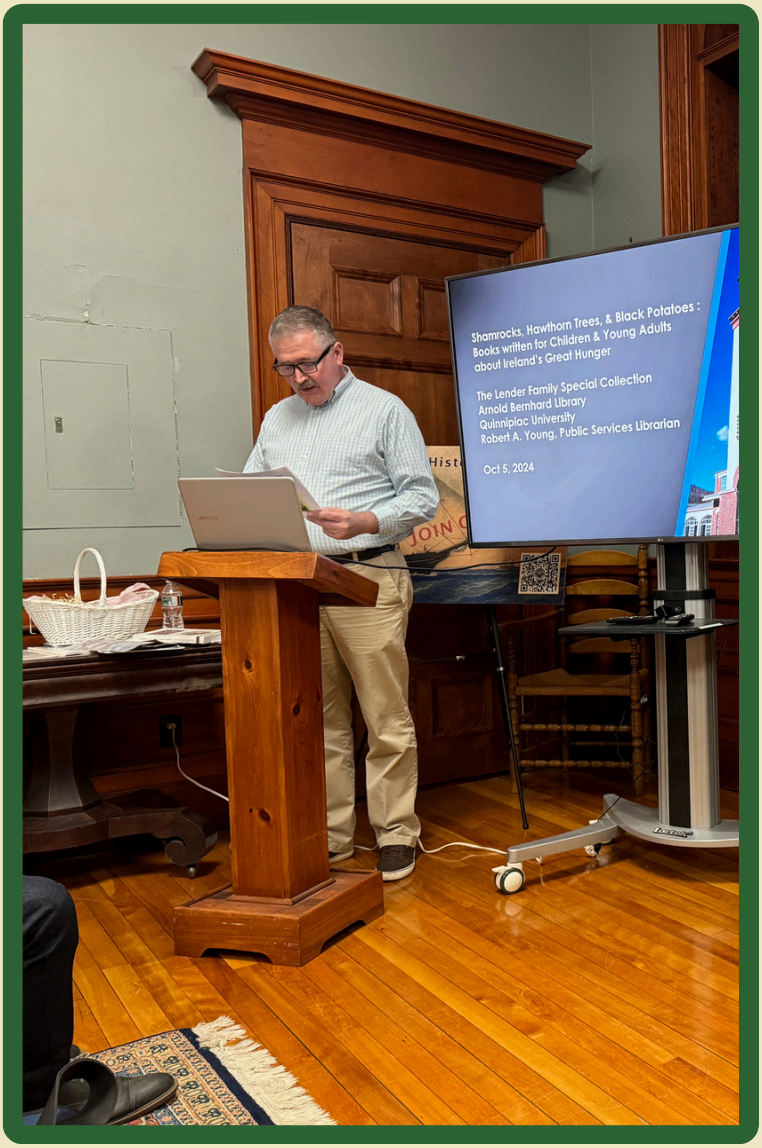

James Hack Tuke,
1819-1896
Born in York, 1819
Came to Ireland in 1846 aged 26
Returned to Ireland in 1847 writing about conditions in West of Ireland.
Returned to Ireland in 1880 .
Promoted emigration and development of west.
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The Global Irish
Famine Way
ohn Remembrance
Weekend
tober 2024


The Global Irish
Famine Way


2017




Shamrocks, Hawthorn Trees, & Black Potatoes :
Books written for Children & Young Adults
about Ireland's Great Hunger
The Lender Family Special Collection
Arnold Bernhard Library
Quinnipiac University
Robert A. Young, Public Services Librarian
Oct 5, 2024


John Behan Famine Ship


Ireland's Great Hunger Museum
An Insider's Perspective








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Holy St. John
1949 - 2024




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CHRONOLOGY OF THE GREAT HUNGER
1845 TO 1852
AND BOSTON
IRELAND'S GREAT HUNGER INSTITUTE
IRELAND'S GREAT HUNGER MUSEUM
LENDER FAMILY SPECIAL COLLECTION ROOM
QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY
IRELAND'S GREAT HUNGER INSTITUTE
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FORGOTTEN HEROES
MR TUKE'S FUND


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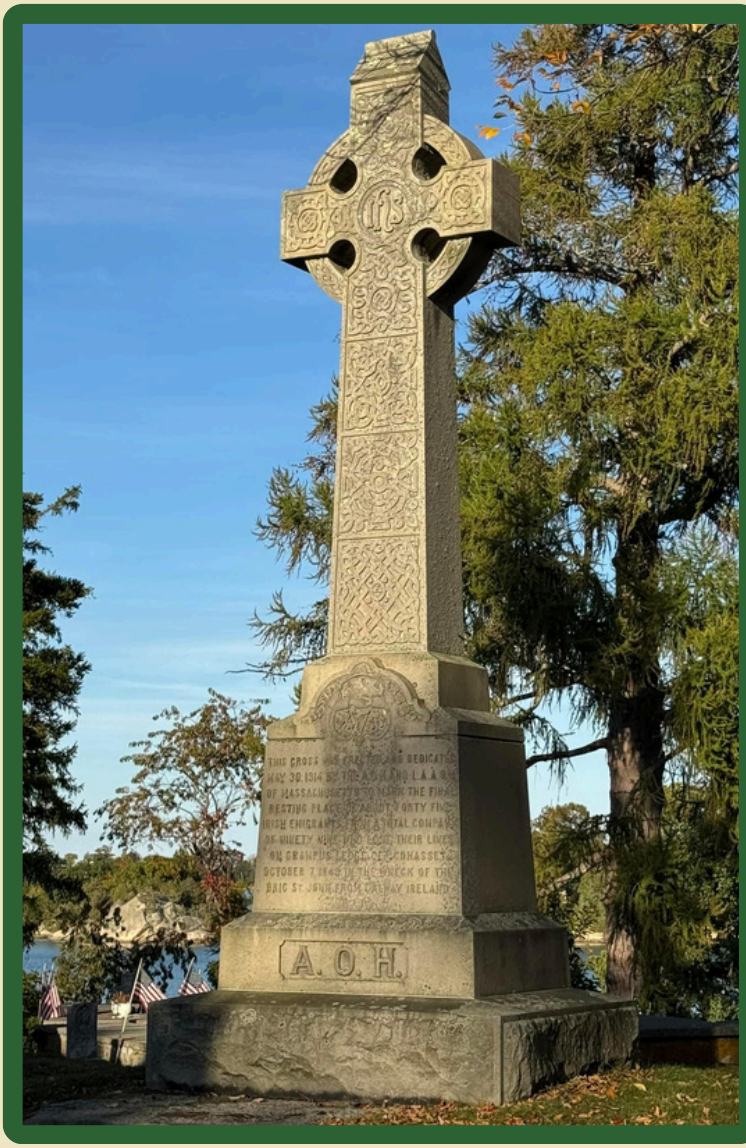









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MAY 30 1914 BY THE A
AND L A A O H
OF MASSACHUSETTS
MARK THE FINAL
RESTING PLACE
FORTY FIVE
IRISH EMIGRANTS FROM A TOTAL COMPANY
OF NINETY NINE WHO LOST THEIR LIVES
ON GRAMPUS LEDGE OF COHASSET
OCTOBER 7 1849 IN THE WRECK OF THE
BRIG ST JOHN FROM GALWAY IRELAND


A. O. H.





2024 Father John Murphy Division Food Drive

The 2024 Annual Food Drive was a major success for the division. Last year we collected approximately 950 grocery items. This year we collected over 1,600 grocery items. In addition to that we collected almost $500 in cash donations and market basket gift cards!

Over the course of the last week these items were organized and boxed into 4 separate donations that went to local food pantries in our area. We will be discussing at this week's meeting where we should send the cash/gift card donations.

Based on the numbers we estimate that the food collected is enough for over 5,000 meals for individuals throughout our community. The generosity shown by the patrons of Market Basket was awe inspiring. We can't wait to see what the totals will be next year!




BONELESS STRIP STEAK
HOFFMAN'S SUPER SHARP CHEESE
FAGE TOTAL GREEK YOGURT
SAVE $1.65
4.4 5.3 oz. · 20 VARIETIES
5 for $5
AOH FOOD DRIVE




SUNDAY
7AM – 8PM
AOH FOOD DRIVE


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FATHER JOHN MURPHY
DIVISION 9
PLYMOUTH MA
MARKET BASKET
Lowe's
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FOOD DRIVE
Heavy Duty
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Stephen Puleo Event: Scituate Historical Society

One event that the division was co-sponsors this past month was an event that the Scituate Historical Society hosted. This was a speaking event by author Stephen Puleo. He spoke on his book *Voyage of Mercy*. Detailing the story of the first ship that was sent by America to aid the Irish during the Great Hunger.

It was an intriguing and informative event and several of our members were in attendance. At the end of the evening Mr. Puleo was around for conversations and selling copies of the several books he has written.





Emily Dickinson and the Wilde Irish Women: Presented by America's Hometown Laureates

Another event that was co-sponsored by the division was put on by America's Hometown Laureates. A nonprofit poetry organization based in Plymouth that exposes the community to the spoken artform. The event was held at The Spire Performing Arts Center. More than 150 people attended the event and we were allowed to have a table to share the information on our division and our mission as an organization.

The performance in its entirety can be viewed on YouTube on *The Local Seen* channel which is a Plymouth based media outlet for what is going on in the Plymouth community.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OQJHNDZsFJk





Brig St. John Commemorative Pin

Dear Brothers, below are the photos of the commemorative pin that has been created in conjunction with Connemara Marble. They were delivered last week and sales have officially begun. We have sent emails out to anyone who had registered for the event to let them know they are available for purchase. We will have them available at this week's meeting for any brothers who wish to purchase one. The sale price is $35/each and all proceeds are going to the cost of running this year's event. Please share this with anyone you know who is interested in this limited edition piece of history. If we can sell (2) orders of pins it will cover all costs.

If you are not able to attend the meeting you can contact President Mike Schilling by replying to the division email or call/text him at 781-706-6209.





National Irish Famine Way Walk 2024!

The Father John Murphy Division is putting together a fundraising event for our Hibernian Hunger project of 2025. A group of division members, friends of the division, and family members will walk the *National Famine Way* at the end of May 2025.The National Famine Way is a 100 mile walk that starts in Roscommon and ends in Dublin. The walk will be over the course of 6 days. The National Famine Way represents the walk that was undertaken by 1490 men, women and children who were evicted from their homes in Strokestown in 1849 and walked to Dublin to then be put on immigration ships to England with their eventual landing spot in Canada.

We will be raising money through donations via GoFundMe that will be disbursed to charities who deal with hunger and food insecurity. This is to remember one of the darkest times in our history of the Irish people. As a group that commemorates the shipwreck of the brig St. John annually this is very fitting.

Any brothers who are interested please contact President Mike Schilling via email at michael.k.schilling@gmail.com or call/text at 781-706-6209. After we determine how many individuals are interested, we will coordinate an informational meeting to go over schedule and logistics.



NATIONAL FAMINE Way™

Areas to Highlight

- A 165km digitally and physically waymarked historic trail following in the footsteps of 1,490 famine emigrants during the famine in 1847.
- The trail runs from Strokestown Park, Co. Roscommon (trailhead) to EPIC The Irish Emigration Museum in Dublin Docksland, along country pathways and the Royal Canal towpath.
- Along the Route: The trail is waymarked by 32 poignant sculptures of bronze 19th-century children's shoes.

Trail Maps

There are three types of OSI maps: illlustrative trail map, county map and map of Ireland.

- Interactive Google map on the app, which shows you exactly where you are on the trail and indicates the bronze shoes.
- Static map: details of detours at interesting points along the route are shown in orange on the map, available on the app or in the official pack.

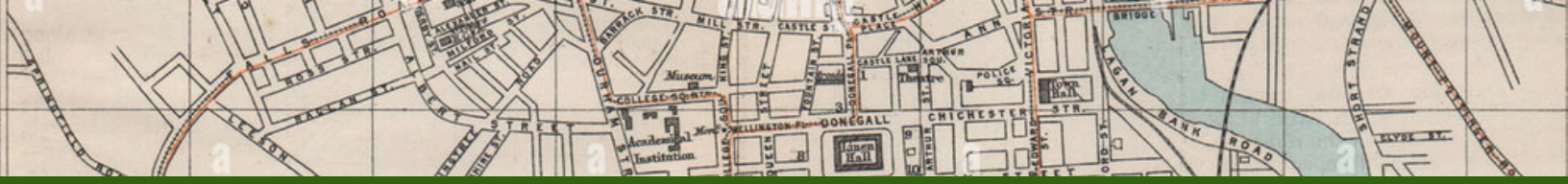
YOUR COUNTY MAP







nationalfamineway.ie #FamineWay



Political Education

Ireland's General Election 2024 kicks off as Dáil officially dissolved

By Kerry O'Shea
irishcentral.com, November 8th , 2024

Ireland's General Election for 2024 has officially kicked off after President Michael D. Higgins dissolved the current Dáil Eireann at the request of Taoiseach Simon Harris.

As per Irish law, the same Dáil shall not continue for longer than five years from the date of its first meeting. As such, the current 33rd Dáil must be dissolved by the President of Ireland at the request of the Taoiseach no later than February 19, 2025, and a general election must be called by March 22, 2025.

After weeks of speculation and hints, the Taoiseach told RTÉ News on Wednesday that he intended to dissolve the Dail on Friday.

In an address in Dublin this morning, Taoiseach Simon Harris said he would be traveling to Áras an Uachtaráin to advise President Michael D. Higgins to dissolve the Dáil and to allow the General Election to be held on Friday, November 29.

President Higgins, in turn, signed the warrant to dissolve it shortly after 2 pm local time today.

In his remarks in Dublin, the Taoiseach said to the people of Ireland: "You alone are sovereign. You go out and you cast your vote, and in return, you're entitled to good government and hard work."

The Taoiseach said he believes the Government made "real progress for our country." He thanked his colleagues in Fianna Fáil and the party's coalition partners in Fine Gael and the Green Party.

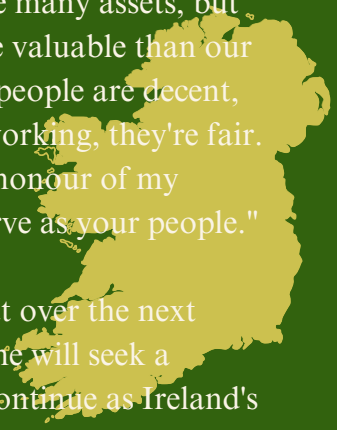
He went on to say that the Government delivered five "progressive" budgets and is "delivering new homes across our country, and it has built up the finances and the plans to deliver the homes that our people need in the future."

He continued: "The time is now right to ask the Irish people to give a new mandate. Ireland is a country of industry, of enterprise, of agriculture and education, community, culture, and compassion.

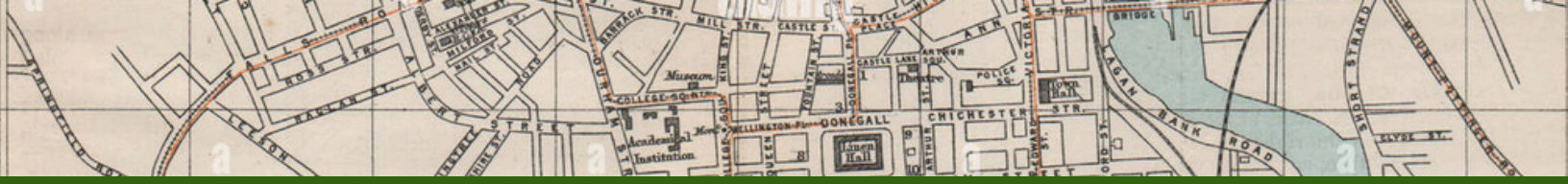
"On the international stage, we are a country of conscience, a country that believes in international law. The voices of our more than five million citizens are listened to.

"Because of our track record and moral compass, seen most clearly in the recognition of the state of Palestine in May. We are a small country with a big influence all over the world.

"And we have many assets, but no asset more valuable than our people. Irish people are decent, they're hardworking, they're fair. And it is the honour of my lifetime to serve as your people."



He added that over the next three weeks, he will seek a mandate to continue as Ireland's



Taoiseach.

He acknowledged that others will seek "alternative mandates," and that it's "vital" that the upcoming election "fully considers our very different visions for our country's economic and social future."

He added: "This election must be a safe and respectful campaign for all politicians and all their teams. And I wish all candidates luck."

Concluding, he said: "Value your vote. Use your voice. That's how this country works. It's how we listen. It's how we act on your behalf.

"Ladies and gentlemen, if you give me your trust, I will give you my all."

Later, Darragh O'Brien TD, Ireland's Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, made an order appointing Friday, November 29 as polling day with polling hours from 7 am to 10 pm.

To stand for election to Dáil Éireann, a candidate must be a citizen of Ireland and at least 21 years of age by polling day.

A person may nominate himself or herself as a candidate or, with his or her consent, may be nominated by a person who is registered as an elector in the constituency concerned.

A candidate not in possession of a certificate of political affiliation (confirmation that a person is a candidate of a political party registered in the Register of Political Parties) must have their nomination completed using either of the following options: by way of assents requiring the completion of statutory declarations by 30 assentors (registered electors) in the relevant Dáil constituency, or by way of the candidate, or someone on his or her behalf, lodging a deposit of €500 with the returning officer.

The latest time for receiving nominations is 12 noon on Saturday, November 16.

Candidates may withdraw their nominations up to 12 noon on Monday, November 18.

To be eligible to vote, a person must be 18 years of age or over on or before polling day and be ordinarily resident in the constituency in which they wish to vote. They must also be included on the Register of Electors.

Every person who is an Irish or British citizen and is included in the register of electors is entitled to vote at the General Election; over 3.5 million people are currently entitled to vote at Dáil elections.

Voters are encouraged to check that their details are correct and up-to-date at CheckTheRegister.ie.

Ireland's last general election was held on February 8, 2020. Fianna Fáil (38 seats), Sinn Féin (37 seats), and Fine Gael (35 seats) emerged as the top three parties; 80 seats are needed to form a coalition government. Fianna Fáil and Fine Gael ultimately formed a coalition with The Green Party.

Earlier this year, Ireland went to the polls for local, European, and Mayor of Limerick elections. Fianna Fáil and Fine Gael won the most seats, though both parties lost seats from the last local elections in 2019.



FREEDOM FOR ALL IRELAND

CONGRESSMAN VOWS TO HOLD BRITAIN'S "FEET TO THE FIRE" ON NORTHERN IRELAND LEGACY ACT

By Kerry O'Shea
www.irishcentral.com

US Representative Brian Fitzpatrick said that he and other Congressmen are ready to "hold Britain's feet to the fire" to make the new Labour government in the UK keep its promise to repeal and replace the Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Act.

Fitzpatrick made the comments during a live webinar hosted by the Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH) and moderated by Martin Galvin last Saturday, October 12.

The Congressman spoke after hearing from Troubles victims' sister Pola Cairns, civil rights lawyer Padraig O'Murigh, Relatives for Justice CEO Mark Thompson, and TD Peadar Tóibín.

In its party manifesto, the British Labour Party vowed to "repeal and replace" the Legacy Act, which the party says "denies justice to the families and victims of the troubles."

However, plans are now underway to repeal only portions of the Act and, controversially, keep the Independent Commission for Reconciliation and Information Recovery (ICRIR).

When asked about his thoughts regarding the British Labour Government continuing the ICRIR, Congressman Fitzpatrick said: "We're going to hold their feet to the fire.

"The British - the United Kingdom - needs the United States on a whole host of fronts and we're going to call them out for this, that's the bottom line.

"The quote-unquote Legacy Bill became law despite unanimous opposition from the political parties in Northern Ireland.

"It denies justice to victims and families impacted by the Troubles. It also provides amnesty for crimes committed by armed forces members that served in Northern Ireland." Fitzpatrick highlighted how the Irish government has issued legal proceedings against the UK, arguing that the Legacy Act is incompatible with the European Convention on Human Rights.

He went on to note how the British Labour Party, in its party manifesto, pledged to repeal and replace the Legacy Act if elected. Labour ultimately won in a landslide.

"Keir Starmer is now the Prime Minister today [and] the Labour government has not fulfilled its promise to dismantle the ICRIR which was established by the Act," Fitzpatrick said.

"Interested stakeholders, including my brothers and sisters in the AOH and the LAOH, obviously we're very concerned that Labour now intends to retain and rebrand, to



use their words, this Commission rather than uphold its promise to repeal and replace.

"We signed a bipartisan letter in July of 2024 reiterating our opposition to the Troubles Act, calling on Prime Minister Starmer to fulfill the promise to repeal and replace with the new Labour government. We have to prioritize reconciliation as it was established by the Good Friday Agreement.

"The entire island of Ireland, they have to be able to choose their own destiny, particularly on the issue of legacy."

Fitzpatrick continued: "What is the strategy going forward? The British government needs the United States and depends on the United States for a whole host of areas, and we will be bringing them into our office, once again, telling them that as Irish American legislators from both sides of the aisle - myself, Brendan Boyle, Bill Keating, Dave Joyce, Mike Kelly - we're going to sit down with them and say, 'Listen, this is going to be very damaging to our relations should you choose to go down this path. You made a commitment, many would argue that you won, in part, because of that commitment you made, so now you have to keep your promise.

"We are, of course, open to suggestions, but you know that we stand ready to do whatever is necessary.

"And the beauty of this is that they are going to be hearing from both Democrats and Republicans in the House and in the Senate on this and that will clearly deliver a message to them."

Fitzpatrick added: "I do believe that if we really amp the pressure that we can have a positive result here.

"The UK, they only have so much capital they can spend on issues. The question for them is, are they willing to jeopardize our relationship with them over this?
"I would hope the answer is no to that."

Irish History

Irish–German collaboration to restore damaged biography of St. Patrick announced

By Kerry O'Shea
irishcentral.com, November 1st, 2024



Hans Zimmer's 19th-century unpublished biography of St. Patrick is regarded as a foundation document for modern scientific research on Ireland's national saint.

Ireland's Department of Foreign Affairs together with Trinity College Dublin and the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities are collaborating to fund the restoration of a previously unpublished biography of St. Patrick, one of Ireland's patron saints.

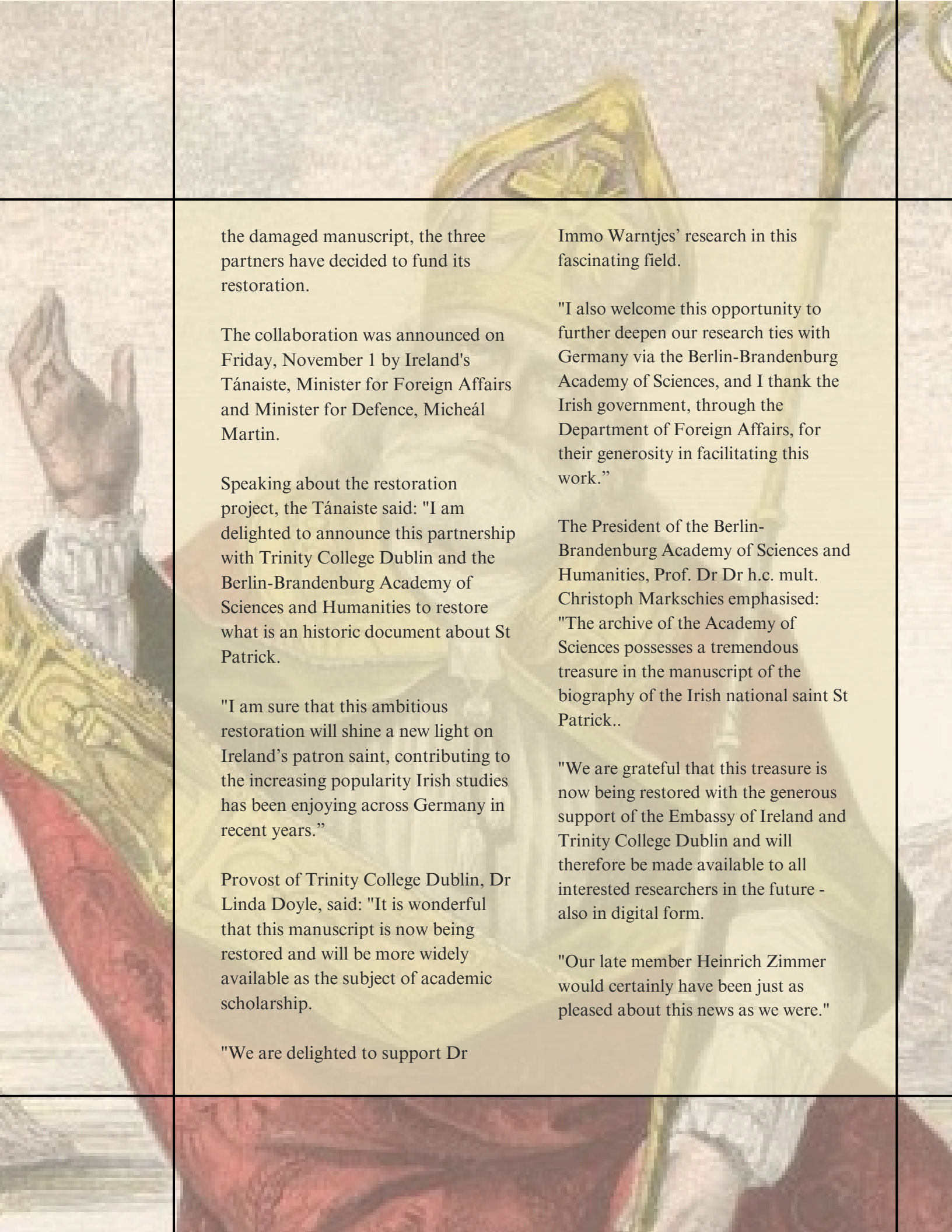
This biography was compiled by one of Germany's foremost Celticists, Heinrich Zimmer (1851-1910), who was Germany's first professor of Celtic Studies and an Ordinary Member of the Royal Prussian Academy of Sciences.

Zimmer's thus far unpublished biography of St. Patrick is regarded as a foundation document for modern scientific research on Ireland's national saint.

Zimmer completed a 575-page study of St Patrick in 1894, but it was never published. When Zimmer's private library burned down in 1903, the manuscript survived but with significant fire damage. Subsequently, it has been stored in the archive of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities, unseen by scholars in decades due to its fragile state.

All 575 pages of the manuscript are being restored: of these, 175 leaves are in great need of restoration. The aim is to complete this restoration in 2025.

Given the historical relevance of



the damaged manuscript, the three partners have decided to fund its restoration.

The collaboration was announced on Friday, November 1 by Ireland's Tánaiste, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Minister for Defence, Micheál Martin.

Speaking about the restoration project, the Tánaiste said: "I am delighted to announce this partnership with Trinity College Dublin and the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities to restore what is an historic document about St Patrick.

"I am sure that this ambitious restoration will shine a new light on Ireland's patron saint, contributing to the increasing popularity Irish studies has been enjoying across Germany in recent years."

Provost of Trinity College Dublin, Dr Linda Doyle, said: "It is wonderful that this manuscript is now being restored and will be more widely available as the subject of academic scholarship.

"We are delighted to support Dr Immo Warntjes' research in this fascinating field.

"I also welcome this opportunity to further deepen our research ties with Germany via the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences, and I thank the Irish government, through the Department of Foreign Affairs, for their generosity in facilitating this work."

The President of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities, Prof. Dr Dr h.c. mult. Christoph Markschies emphasised: "The archive of the Academy of Sciences possesses a tremendous treasure in the manuscript of the biography of the Irish national saint St Patrick..

"We are grateful that this treasure is now being restored with the generous support of the Embassy of Ireland and Trinity College Dublin and will therefore be made available to all interested researchers in the future - also in digital form.

"Our late member Heinrich Zimmer would certainly have been just as pleased about this news as we were."

Good & Welfare

Division 9 Scrapbook

From all the items that have turned up in the moving of the hall we have decided to create a division scrapbook. We are looking for a volunteer to put this together. Anyone interested please let Mike Schilling know at the next meeting.

PRAYERS FOR.....

Kathy Cohan

Please email any other requests for prayers to AOHPlymouth@gmail.com or at the next General Meeting



Gaeltacht Corner

Initial

English - Excuse me?

Irish - Gabh Mo Leithscéal?

'Go muh lesh-kale'

Reply

English - Kiss my arse!

Irish - Póg mo thóin!

'Pogue mahone'

"boolavogue"

At Boolavogue as the sun was setting o'er the bright May meadows of Shelmalier
A rebel band set the heather blazing and brought the neighbors from far and near
Then Father Murphy from old Kilcormac spurred up the rock with a warning cry
"Arm, arm," he cried, "For I've come to lead you, for Ireland's freedom we'll fight or die."

He led us on against the coming soldiers and the cowardly yeomen we put to flight
'Twas at the Harrow the boys of Wexford showed Bookey's regiment how men could fight
Look out for hirelings, King George of England, search every kingdom where breathes a slave
For Father Murphy of County Wexford sweeps o'er the land like a mighty wave.

We took Camolin and Enniscorthy and Wexford storming drove out our foes
'Twas at Slieve Coilte our pikes were reeking with the crimson blood of the beaten yeos
At Tubberneery and Ballyellis full many a Hessian lay in his gore
Oh, Father Murphy, had aid come over, the Green Flag floated from shore to shore.

At Vinegar Hill o'er the River Slaney our heroes vainly stood back to back
And the yeos of Tullow took Father Murphy and burned his body upon the rack
God grant you glory brave Father Murphy and open heaven to all your men
The cause that called you may call tomorrow in another fight for the Green again.

Father John Murphy was the parish priest in Boolavogue, a small town in County Wexford in Ireland, who led his parishioners in battle during the 1798 uprising. For his participation, Father Murphy was tortured, flogged, decapitated, burned, and ultimately, had his head put on a stake to warn his countrymen against further rebellion. The song "Boolavogue" was written in his honor in 1898 by Patrick Joseph McCall, who set the lyrics to an ancient Irish air called "Eochaill."