

# The Dooley Dispatch

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### Coming Events

February 10<sup>th</sup> – Division Meeting 7 p.m. St. Paul's Church  
February 15<sup>th</sup> - Valentines Mass and Brunch at St. Mary's Church, 11 a.m. Mass, brunch Noon to 2 p.m.  
March 7<sup>th</sup> – Irish Night at St. Mary's 7 p.m.  
March 7<sup>th</sup> - St. Patrick's Day Parade Alexandria, march with other AOH Divisions  
March 10<sup>th</sup> – Division Meeting 7 p.m. St. Paul's Church  
March 14<sup>th</sup> St. Patrick's Day Parades Roanoke, Norfolk, Manassas, Fredericksburg, all have AOHers.  
March 17<sup>th</sup> St. Patrick's Day Mass and weath Laying  
March 20<sup>th</sup> – Assist St. Patrick's Church set up for Festival  
March 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> St. Patrick's Church Irish Festival. Parade at 9 a.m. on March 21<sup>st</sup>

### Prayer List

Please pray for **Charles Mulherin** who has been very ill over the last few months, **Bill McKay** continues to struggle with back pain, and Walt Furgusson's sister is battling a long illness, **Dick Moore** and **Jack Polly**. Those who are suffering from chronic illness or receiving medical attention:

**Dick Moore, Margaret Zahn and Thomas Zahn**, mother and brother of Father Zahn.

Please pray for the members of our Division who are serving in the Military. **Mike Allen**, is currently serving in the Marines.

**Please keep us informed of family members that are receiving medical care and in need of our prayers.**

### Renew Your Membership and Win a Trip to Ireland

Pay \$100 and You'll Get

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Checks can be sent to :  
**Hugh Naughton**  
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For more raffle tickets contact  
**Jack Cassells at 740-8651**

**Tri-Color Sashes**  
**Now Available \$25**

**Contact Mike Muldowney 360-3935**

**Men's Warehouse at  
10911 W Broad St, Glen Allen - (804) 346-0604  
Is offering a special to the Dooley  
Division  
Green Sports Coats for only \$79.99**

**Be sure to identify yourself as a member of the  
AOH**

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**Welcome New Members**

**Gerald Nevielle  
Raymond Nevielle  
Bill Kenney**

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**Mark your calendar**

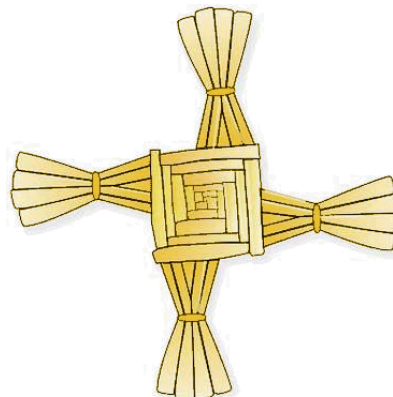
June – Fishing trip date to be determined.  
July 4<sup>th</sup> – Picnic with 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights of  
Columbus  
August 21<sup>st</sup> – Our Lady of Knock Mass at St. Paul's  
11.a.m. and pool party at the Murphy's  
December 6<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Party 1:30 p.m. St.  
Mary's  
Division meetings every second Tuesday at St.  
Paul's Church. No meetings in July and August.

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**Saint Brigid of Ireland  
Feast Day February 1**

Brigid was probably born at Faughart near Dundalk, Louth, Ireland. Her parents were baptized by St. Patrick, with whom she developed a close friendship. According to legend, her father was Dubhthach, an Irish chieftain of Lienster, and her mother, Brocca, was a slave at his court. Even as a young girl she evinced an interest for a religious life and took the veil in her youth from St. Macaille at Croghan and probably was professed by St. Mel of Armagh, who is believed to have conferred abbatial authority on her. She settled with seven of her virgins at the foot of Croghan Hill for a time and about the year 468, followed Mel to Meath. About the year 470 she founded a double monastery at Cill-Dara (Kildare) and was Abbess of the convent, the first in Ireland. The foundation developed into a center of learning and spirituality, and around it grew up the Cathedral city of Kildare. She founded a school of art at Kildare and its illuminated manuscripts became famous, notably the Book of Kildare, which was praised as one of the finest of all illuminated Irish manuscripts before

its disappearance three centuries ago. Brigid was one of the most remarkable women of her times, and despite the numerous legendary, extravagant, and even fantastic miracles attributed to her, there is no doubt that her extraordinary spirituality, boundless charity, and compassion for those in distress were real. She died at Kildare on February 1. The Mary of the Gael, she is buried at Downpatrick with St. Columba and St. Patrick, with whom she is the patron of Ireland. Her name is sometimes Bridget and Bride. Her feast day is February 1.



**St. Brigid Cross**



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**Sunday February 15<sup>th</sup>  
Valentine's Mass and Brunch**

**St. Mary's Church  
9501 Gayton Road**

**Mass 11 a.m, Free Brunch to  
follow**

**Reservations are a must, call  
Paul McFadden 550-0347 by February 10th**

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**Irish Night**

**March 7<sup>th</sup>**

**St. Mary's Church  
7 p.m.**

**\$15 includes beer, wine, and soft drinks**

**Each person is asked to bring a food dish  
Irish step dancers and DJ**

**Adults only. For tickets contact Paul McFadden  
550-0347**



Over the past 28 years there existed an annual practice of selecting one member of the division to be named, GAEL OF THE YEAR. During 22 of those years the membership choose someone for this honor. Over the past four years, no one was selected.

This is a proposed amendment to our By-Laws that will make a selection mandatory beginning with 2009.

Here is a history of the award showing the members selected and the years involved:

1981 - F. Regis Etz	1995 - James P. Carroll
1982 - John P. Cassells	1996 - Joseph H. Kiely
1983 - Thomas K. Barrett	1997 - Robert P. Corcoran
1984 - Liam M. Glasheen	1998 - William T. Walsh
1985 - H. Palmer Kitchen	1999 - Robert P. Corcoran
1986 - No selection	2000 -
1987 - No selection	2001 - Thomas J. Murphy
1988 - Ernest C. Mackinaw	2002 - Paul J. McFadden
1989 - Jeremiah D. Gorman	2003 - Paul J. McFadden
1990 - Fred-Patrick Kelly	2004 - Paul J. McFadden
1991 - Ernest C. Mackinaw	2005 - No selection
1992 - Joseph F. Hanley	2006 - No selection
1993 - Patrick J. Naughton	2007 - No selection
1994 - Patrick J. Naughton	2008 - No selection

#### ARTICLE XV - GAEL OF THE YEAR

- Section 1 A member of the Division who during the year made significant contributions of time and effort to promote the Order, Division, and Irish Heritage, shall be named "GAEL OF THE YEAR".
- Section 2 The Board of Officers shall meet and discuss candidates for this honor during the month of October. They shall then submit one or more candidates to the members attending the November meeting.
- Section 3 Voting shall be by secret written ballot. The President and Recording Secretary shall tally the votes and determine the winner.
- Section 4 The winner will be announced at the December meeting and presented with a plaque recognizing his efforts.
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## **An Irish Economic Stimulus Package**

### **Support fellow Hibernians and local Irish**

#### **Visit the Dooley Division Green Pages**

<http://home.comcast.net/~p.naughton/Greenpages.html>

To have your business or resume listed send an email to [p.naughton@comcast.net](mailto:p.naughton@comcast.net)

**New webpage is under development by Webmaster Charlie Connell.**

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Next Meeting Tuesday February 10<sup>th</sup>  
St. Paul's Church 7 p.m.  
History Presentation – Brehon Laws

Valentines Mass and Brunch  
February 15<sup>th</sup>  
St. Mary's Church  
Mass 11 a.m. Brunch 12:30 p.m.