

## **Irish History topics pulled together by Dan Callaghan NC AOH Historian in 2014**

Athenry Castle;

<http://www.irelandseye.com/aarticles/travel/attractions/castles/Galway/athenry.shtm>

Brehon Laws of Ireland; <http://www.libraryireland.com/Brehon-Laws/Contents.php>

February 1, in ancient Celtic times, it was the beginning of Spring and later became the feast day for St. Bridget; <http://www.chalicecentre.net/imbolc.htm>

May 1, Begins the Celtic celebration of Beltane, May Day;

<http://wicca.com/celtic/akasha/beltane.htm>.

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February 14, 269, St. Valentine, buried in Dublin;

<http://homepage.eircom.net/~seanjmurphy/irhismys/valentine.htm>

March 17, 461, St. Patrick dies, many different reports as to the actual date exist;

<http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/11554a.htm>

Dec. 7, 521, St. Columcille is born,

[http://prayerfoundation.org/favoritemonks/favorite\\_monks\\_columcille\\_columba.htm](http://prayerfoundation.org/favoritemonks/favorite_monks_columcille_columba.htm)

January 23, 540 A.D., St. Ciarán, started Clonmacnoise Monastery;

<http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/04065a.htm>

May 16, 578, Feast Day of St. Brendan;

<http://parish.saintbrendan.org/church/story.php>

June 9th, 597, St. Columcille, dies at Iona;

<http://www.irishcultureandcustoms.com/ASaints/Columcille.html>

Nov. 23, 615, Irish born St. Columbanus dies, [www.newadvent.org/cathen/04137a.htm](http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/04137a.htm)

July 8, 689, St. Killian is put to death;

[http://allsaintsbrookline.org/celtic\\_saints/killian.html](http://allsaintsbrookline.org/celtic_saints/killian.html)

October 13, 1012, Irish Monk and Bishop St. Colman dies; <http://www.stcolman.com/>

Nov. 14, 1180, first Irish born Bishop of Dublin, St. Laurence O'Toole, dies,

[www.newadvent.org/cathen/09091b.htm](http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/09091b.htm)

June 7, 1584, Arch Bishop Dermot O'Hurley is hung by the British for being Catholic;  
<http://www.exclassics.com/foxe/dermot.htm>

**1600**

Sept. 10, 1602 Red Hugh O'Donnell is poisoned by British agents,  
<http://www.answers.com/topic/o-donnell-hugh-roe>

Sept. 14, 1607, first Flight of The Earls,  
<http://homepage.tinet.ie/~seanjmurphy/irhismys/earls.htm>

January 25, 1627, physicist and author of Boyle's Law is born in Co. Waterford;  
<http://www.chemheritage.org/discover/chemistry-in-history/themes/early-chemistry-and-gases/boyle.aspx>

1641, Irish Catholics rebelled against British Protestants in Co. Tyrone;  
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/plantation/planters/es10.shtml>

Sept, 11, 1649, after the siege of Drogheda, Cromwell massacres the people of Drogheda,  
<http://www.british-civil-wars.co.uk/military/ireland-1649-drogheda.htm>

Nov. 6, 1649, Roe Owen O'Neill, dies, before he was to go into battle against Cromwell;  
<http://www.aoh.com/2009/11/01/owen-roe-oneill/>

**May 1, 1654, Oliver Cromwell** states that the "Irish can go to Hell or Connaught";  
<http://www.irish-society.org/home/hedgemaster-archives-2/people/cromwell-oliver-to-hell-or-to-connaught>

1656-58 First Land Survey ever was conducted in Co. Down <http://downsurvey.tcd.ie/>

July 27, 1669, Molly Malone is Christened;  
<http://homepage.eircom.net/~seanjmurphy/irhismys/molly.htm>

**July 11, 1681, St. Oliver Plunkett**, executed by British;  
<http://www.irishidentity.com/extras/famousgaels/stories/plunkett.htm>

July 1, 1690, Battle of the Boyne;  
<http://www.irelandseye.com/aarticles/history/events/dates/ch5.shtm>

**1700**

Sept. 27, 1722, Irish-American Sam Adams is born,  
<http://americanrevwar.homestead.com/files/adams2.htm>

Dec. 2, 1736, America's first hero is born, General Richard Montgomery;  
<http://www.revolutionarywararchives.org/montgomery.html>

Dec. 26, 1745, Commodore John Barry is born;  
<http://www.jfjcccmuseum.com/tjoschultz/barry.html>

Aug. 10, 1746, British ban the bagpipes in Ireland, which lead to the invention of the Uilleann pipes; [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Uilleann\\_pipes](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Uilleann_pipes)

March 16, 1766, Fr. Nicholas Sheehy, is hanged for protesting tithes and taxation;  
<http://www.libraryireland.com/HistoryIreland/Father-Nicholas-Sheehy.php>

June 20, 1763, Irish Patriot Theobald Wolfe Tone is born;  
[http://www.newworldencyclopedia.org/entry/Theobald\\_Wolfe\\_Tone](http://www.newworldencyclopedia.org/entry/Theobald_Wolfe_Tone)

March 15, 1767, Irish-American President Andrew Jackson, is born;  
<http://www.answers.com/topic/andrew-jackson>

January 20, 1771, Don Hugo O'Connor, was appointed Commandant Inspector of New Spain; [http://chuck.hubpages.com/hub/Hugo\\_OConor](http://chuck.hubpages.com/hub/Hugo_OConor)

June 12th, 1775, Jeremiah O'Brien & sons capture a British ship in the American Revolution; <http://houseofbrianboru.blogspot.com/2011/11/legacy-of-jeremiah-obrien.html>

Aug. 6, 1775, Daniel O'Connell, Ireland's Great Emancipator of Catholics is born in Co. Kerry, [http://multitext.ucc.ie/d/Daniel\\_OConnell](http://multitext.ucc.ie/d/Daniel_OConnell)

October 30, 1775, Wexford born John Barry became the first commissioned officer the US Navy, making him the Father of the US Navy;  
<http://www.wexfordweb.com/barry.htm>

July 4, 1776, 4 Irish born and 5 Irish-Americans sign the American Declaration of Independence; <http://www.revolutionary-war-and-beyond.com/declaration-of-independence-signatures.html>

April 6, 1777, Irish born Edward Hand is appointed Brigadier General in the Continental Army by Washington; <http://www.nps.gov/york/historyculture/handbio.htm>

March 4, 1778, Robert Emmett, Irish Republican is born; <http://www.ireland->

[information.com/articles/robertemmet.htm](http://information.com/articles/robertemmet.htm)

February 23, 1781, George Taylor, Irish born, signer to the Declaration of Independence dies; <http://colonialhall.com/taylor/taylor.php>

October 10, 1790, the Apostle of Temperance, Fr. Theobald Mathew, is born in Cashel, Co. Tipperary; <http://www.feismaitiu.ie/fr-theobald-mathew.html>

October 18, 1791, first public meeting of the United Irishmen is held; <http://www.fenagh.com/history/united-irishmen/>

Nov. 9, 1791, the Dublin Society of United Irishmen is formed, Napper Tandy is its first Secretary, [www.answers.com/topic/society-of-the-united-irishmen](http://www.answers.com/topic/society-of-the-united-irishmen)

Dec. 9, 1791, Irish Activist, Thomas Wyse is born; <http://www.historyofparliamentonline.org/volume/1820-1832/member/wyse-thomas-1791-1862>

June 15, 1796, Henry Monroe is hanged in front of his family for being a member of United Irishmen; [http://www.lisburn.com/books/historical\\_society/volume1/volume1-2.html](http://www.lisburn.com/books/historical_society/volume1/volume1-2.html)

July 14, 1796, United Irishmen John & Henry Sheares executed; <http://www.libraryireland.com/biography/HenryandJohnShearesUnitedIrishmen.php>

May 26, 1798, Battle of Tara Hill, 400 Irish Rebels die at British hands; [http://books.google.com/books?id=iAHWA-m2pXMC&pg=PA173&lpg=PA173&dq=battle+of+tara+hill+1798&source=bl&ots=-Gh-LmXydp&sig=mbv\\_ZHezk8br40jofCsPsLI81b4&hl=en&sa=X&ei=JNSjUZe6LNKj4APenIHCQ&ved=0CE0Q6AEwBjgK#v=onepage&q=battle%20of%20tara%20hill%201798&f=false](http://books.google.com/books?id=iAHWA-m2pXMC&pg=PA173&lpg=PA173&dq=battle+of+tara+hill+1798&source=bl&ots=-Gh-LmXydp&sig=mbv_ZHezk8br40jofCsPsLI81b4&hl=en&sa=X&ei=JNSjUZe6LNKj4APenIHCQ&ved=0CE0Q6AEwBjgK#v=onepage&q=battle%20of%20tara%20hill%201798&f=false)

May 27, 1798, Fr. John Murphy leads the Wexford Uprising; <http://www.catholicireland.net/father-murphy-of-boolavogue/>

June 9th, 1798, Fr. Michael Murphy was killed at the Battle of Arklow, <http://www.libraryireland.com/biography/MurphyFatherMichael.php>

June 12th, 1798, The Battle of Ballynahinch in the Co. Down; <http://www.loughcuan.com/Pages/ballynahinch.htm>

July 17, 1798, Henry Joy McCracken, was hanged; <http://www.libraryireland.com/biography/HenryJoyMcCracken.php>

October 12, 1798, Dublin born Theobald Wolfe Tone, is captured;  
[http://www.newworldencyclopedia.org/entry/Theobald\\_Wolfe\\_Tone](http://www.newworldencyclopedia.org/entry/Theobald_Wolfe_Tone)

Nov. 19, 1798, Theobald Wolfe Tone, dies from self inflicted wounds,  
[www.1911encyclopedia.org/Theobald\\_Wolfe\\_Tone](http://www.1911encyclopedia.org/Theobald_Wolfe_Tone)

June 8th, 1799, Fr. Manus Sweeney hanged publicly for his part in the 1798 Rising;  
[http://towns.mayo-ireland.ie/WebX?14@123.1\\_BKrbKu575d.0@.ee7bc8d](http://towns.mayo-ireland.ie/WebX?14@123.1_BKrbKu575d.0@.ee7bc8d)

Dec. 22, 1799, Fr. Nicholas Callan, is born, inventor of the inductive coil,  
<http://www.corrosion-doctors.org/Biographies/CallanBio.htm>

## 1800

January 1, 1801, Act of Union comes into effect, combining England, Scotland and Ireland, under the banner of the United Kingdom,  
<http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/614673/Act-of-Union>

July 23, 1803, Robert Emmett, leads the charge to siege Dublin Castle;  
<http://www.robertemmet.org/1803/Kee.htm>

Aug 25, 1803, Robert Emmett gives farewell speech from docket;  
<http://www.robertemmet.org/speech.htm>

March 10, 1810, Sir Samuel Ferguson, poet is born;  
<http://www.irelandseye.com/irish/people/famous/sferguson.shtm>

Sept. 8, 1812, Irish Patriot John Martin is born;  
<http://www.theballards.net/Harshaw/Martin/JMBio.html>

January 8, 1815, Major General Andrew Jackson, defeats the British at the Battle of New Orleans, <http://lsm.crt.state.la.us/cabildo/cab6.htm>

June 6, 1820, Irish Patriot Henry Grattan dies;  
<http://www.nndb.com/people/933/000103624/>

February 16, 1822, James Thomson, Belfast born inventor of principles of paddle wheel and jet stream concepts is born; <http://paulhutch.com/wordpress/?p=460>

Aug. 3, 1823, Thomas Francis Meagher, was born on , Co. Waterford, was active both in Ireland & United States, <http://www.civilwarhome.com/meagher.htm>

Sept. 21, 1827, Irish born, American Civil War General, Michael Corcoran is born, <http://civilwartalk.com/threads/the-civil-war-story-of-a-fighting-irishman-gen-michael-corcoran.87736/>

April 13, 1829, Catholic Emancipation Act is passed in Parliament; <http://h2g2.com/dna/h2g2/A26353604>

March 6, 1831, Civil War General Philip Sheridan, is born; <http://militaryhistory.about.com/od/1800sarmybiographies/p/sheridan.htm>

May 4, 1836, Our noble AOH Order is founded, [http://www.aoh.com/pages/aoh\\_history.html](http://www.aoh.com/pages/aoh_history.html)

1840's life in Staten Island before Ellis Island was built; [http://www.nytimes.com/2009/10/14/nyregion/14about.html?\\_r=1&](http://www.nytimes.com/2009/10/14/nyregion/14about.html?_r=1&)

February 24, 1841, John Holland, inventor of the first practical submarine is born; <http://www.engology.com/articlesubmarine.htm>

Nov. 17, 1841, Daniel O'Connell, elected First Catholic Mayor of Dublin; <http://spartacus-educational.com/PROconnell.htm>

Sept. 3, 1842, Irish Revolutionary John DeVoy, is born in Co. Kildare; <http://www.irishhistorian.com/People/JohnDevoy.html>

May 7th, 1844, 40 Irish die in Philadelphia by the Know Nothing's rioting in the Irish section; [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Philadelphia\\_Nativist\\_Riots](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Philadelphia_Nativist_Riots)

Aug. 21, 1845, beginning of Ireland's Great Hunger, An Gorta Mór, which last 5 years, had a dramatic change in Ireland, <http://www.abitoblarney.com/potatofamine.htm>

Sept. 16, 1845, Irish Patriot Thomas Davis dies of scarlet fever, he was born of a British Army surgeon and Irish Protestant mother, inspires many future leaders in the Irish Republican movement, [http://multitext.ucc.ie/d/Thomas\\_Davis](http://multitext.ucc.ie/d/Thomas_Davis)

February 26, 1846, Irish-American "Buffalo Bill" Cody is born; <http://www.buffalobill.org/history.htm>

April 12, 1847, the Jamestown a ship sent from America to help feed the hungry in Ireland arrives in Cobh, Co. Cork; <http://www.suite101.com/lesson.cfm/18819/2329/2>

**May 15, 1847, Daniel O'Connell**, the Great Emancipator dies; <http://www.nndb.com/people/923/000092647/>

Nov. 8, 1847, writer Bram Stoker, of Co. Dublin is born, known especially for his writing of "Dracula" is born this day, [www.online-literature.com/stoker/](http://www.online-literature.com/stoker/)

May 14, 1848, Thomas Francis Meagher proposed the Irish Tricolor for the first time; <http://1848tricolour.com/index.php?contentid=thomas-francis-meagher>

February 7, 1854, Thomas "Broken Hand" Fitzpatrick, Irish born American trapper dies; <http://www.franksrealm.com/Indians/mountainman/pages/mountainman-thomasfitzpatrick.htm>

May 2, 1856, Matt Talbot, servant of God is born; <http://matttalbotgroup19.org/story.htm>

Aug. 5, 1858, General Phil Sheridan, Civil War hero dies, parents from Co. Cavan; <http://www.civilwarhome.com/sheridanbio.htm>

Aug. 15, 1859, the cornerstone for St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York was laid; <http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/medny/stpat1.html>

July 2, 1863, Col. Patrick Henry O'Rourke, killed at Gettysburg; <http://www.angelfire.com/zine2/rourkeprofiles/patrickh.html>

July 30, 1863, Irish-American Henry Ford is born; <http://www.hfmgv.org/exhibits/hf/>

Sept. 1, 1864, Irish Patriot, Roger Casement is born in Sandycove, Dublin; <http://firstworldwar.com/bio/casement.htm>

April 1, 1865, General Sheridan, wins the last battle of the Civil War at Five Forks; <http://www.civilwaracademy.com/five-forks.html>

June 1, 1866, Fenian Army captures Fort Erie, Canada, called the Battle of Ridgeway, <http://www.theirishstory.com/2011/09/16/the-fenian-invasion-of-canada-1866/#.U4kvZp5OWCg>

July 18, 1867, Irish-American Margaret Tobin, AKA "Unsinkable Molly Brown" was born; <http://www.encyclopedia-titanica.org/titanic-survivor/molly-brown.html>

Sept. 10, 1847, 27 members of St. Patrick's Battalion, also known as the San Patricios, were executed by the US Army, during the US-Mexican War, <http://www.vivasancarlos.com/patrick.html>

Sept. 15, 1865, Jeremiah O'Donovan Rossa, is arrested for his Fenian activities;

<http://irishfreedom.net/Fenian%20graves/J%20O'D%20Rossa/O'Donovan%20Rossa.htm>

Dec. 20, 1865, Irish Republican, Maude Gonne-McBride is born in England;  
<http://www.aoh.com/2013/04/10/maude-gonne-mcbride/>

February 4, 1868, Irish Republican Countess Markievicz, Constance Gore Booth, is born;  
<http://www.sligotown.net/countessmarkievicz.shtml>

March 31, 1871, Arthur Griffith, founder of Sinn Fein, first leader of Dáil Éireann, is born; [http://www.absoluteastronomy.com/topics/Arthur\\_Griffith](http://www.absoluteastronomy.com/topics/Arthur_Griffith)

Aug. 19, 1876, The Catalpa arrives in NY Harbor;  
[http://www.aoh.com/pages/irish\\_history/2010/irish\\_history\\_aug\\_2010.html](http://www.aoh.com/pages/irish_history/2010/irish_history_aug_2010.html)

June 21st, 1877, 10 Brothers of the AOH, were murdered, for fighting for worker's rights in the coal mines of Pennsylvania, they were believe to be a part of the Molly McGuire's;  
<http://www.u-s-history.com/pages/h935.html>

April 11, 1878, Kathleen Daly Clarke, wife of Thomas Clarke and 1916 Easter Uprising supporter is born; <http://www.hallamor.org/1916-series-11-april-1878/>

July 3, 1878, Irish-American George M. Cohan is born;  
<http://www.angelfire.com/zine2/rourkeprofiles/patrickh.html>

Aug. 21, 1879, Our Lady appeared in Knock, Co. Mayo; <http://www.knock-shrine.ie/>

Nov. 10, 1879, Padriac Pearse, linguist, poet, playwright and patriot is born in Dublin,  
[www.ucc.ie/celt/pearse.html](http://www.ucc.ie/celt/pearse.html)

May 17, 1880, Charles Stuart Parnell, elected head of Irish Parliamentary Party; [http://pediaview.com/openpedia/Charles\\_Stuart\\_Parnell](http://pediaview.com/openpedia/Charles_Stuart_Parnell)

January 1, 1883, Helena Moloney, future Patriot and Freedom Fighter is born in Dublin;  
<http://saoirse32.wordpress.com/2005/01/27/helena-moloney/>

February 28, 1884, Easter Rising Martyr, Sean McDermott is born;  
[http://fermoyireland.50megs.com/McDERMOTT\\_Sean.htm](http://fermoyireland.50megs.com/McDERMOTT_Sean.htm)

January 12, 1885, Thomas Ashe, Irish patriot, is born;  
<http://www.answers.com/topic/thomas-ashe>

March 21, 1886, Irish Republican Oscar Traynor is born;



<http://www.belfastceltic.org/oscartraynor.html>

Dec. 19, 1877, Fenian Michael Davitt is released from prison early;

<http://www.museumsofmayo.com/davitt1.htm>

March 4, 1888, Grace Gifford, future wife of Joseph Plunkett is born;

<http://randombios.blogspot.com/2009/07/grace-gifford-plunkett-18881955.html>

Aug. 12, 1890, John Boyle O'Reilly, Poet, Patriot, editor of the Boston Pilot dies;

<http://jboreilly.com/biography/>

October 16, 1890, Co. Cork born Michael Collins, founder of the Irish Republican Army is

born, <http://www2.cruzio.com/~sbarrett/mcollins.htm>

October 6, 1891, Uncrowned King of Ireland, Charles Stewart Parnell dies;

<http://www.ireland-information.com/articles/charlesstewartparnell.htm>

January 1, 1892, Annie Moore of County Cork, is the first to step onto Ellis Island,

[http://www.ellisland.org/genealogy/Annie\\_Moore.asp](http://www.ellisland.org/genealogy/Annie_Moore.asp)

February 22, 1893, Peadar O'Donnell, Socialist, IRA politician, is born;

<http://www.spartacus.schoolnet.co.uk/SPdonnell.htm>

February 6, 1895, Irish-American Baseball great, George Herman, known as Babe Ruth

is born; <http://www.baberuth.com/biography/>

July 1, 1897, General Tom Barry, Irish Freedom Fighter, was born in Co. Cork;

<http://www.generaltombarry.com/tom-barry/>

## 1900

February, 1900, John Redmond, is elected first MP of Irish Parliament;

<http://www.easter1916.ie/index.php/people/a-z/john-redmond>

April 28, 1901 Fenian founder James Stephens dies;

<http://www.answers.com/topic/james-stephens-irish-nationalist>

Nov. 28, 1905, Arthur Griffith forms Nationalist political party, Sinn Fein,

[www.answers.com/topic/sinn-f-in](http://www.answers.com/topic/sinn-f-in)

October 1, 1908, Irish-American Henry Ford introduces the Model T car to America;

<http://www.answers.com/topic/model-t-ford>

Aug. 15, 1909, AOH erects tallest Celtic Cross on Grosse Ile, Quebec, to honor those

who died on their journey from Ireland's potato blight, An Gorta Mór;

Aug. 26, 1913, as a pre-cursor to the Easter Rebellion, a lockout in Dublin, that lasted 8 months was lead by James Larkin; <http://www.theirishstory.com/2010/06/07/class-war-in-dublin-the-lockout-of-1913/>

Nov. 24, 1913, James Connolly and James Larkin form Irish Citizen Army; <http://viking305.hubpages.com/hub/irish-history-of-employment-conflict-and-the-Dublin-1913-Lockout-strike-in-Ireland>

April 1, 1914, Cumann na mBan (League of Women) was formed, a very secretive organization of women to help fight for Ireland's freedom; <http://www.triskelle.eu/history/cumannnamban.php>

July 26, 1914, Erskine Childers, Sails his yacht the Asgard from Germany to Ireland, with arms for the Irish Volunteer Force: <http://www.sailing-by.org.uk/content/gun-running-irish-sea-july-1914>

Aug. 12, 1914, Submarine inventor John P. Holland dies; <http://www.clarelibrary.ie/eolas/coclare/people/holland.htm>

April 21, 1916 Sir Roger Casement is arrested on the Banna Strand, Co. Kerry, for treason, <http://homepage.eircom.net/~seanjmurphy/irhismys/casement.htm>

May 3, 1916, they started to execute the leaders of the 1916 Easter Rebellion, first with Pádraig Pearse, Tomás McDonagh and Thomas Clarke in Kilmainham Jail in Dublin. May 4th, Willie Pearse, Joseph Plunkett, Edward Daly, Michael O'Halloran and John McBride on the 5th. May 8th, Con Colbert, Éamonn Ceannt, Michael Mallon and Seán Heuston executed. Wounded and propped up in a chair, James Connolly executed, also Seán Mac Diarmada on May 12th. These executions by the British forces changed the tide in the populace, it had enraged the Irish, which set the stage for Irish Independence.

May 12, 1916, Irish rebel, James Connolly, wounded is executed strapped to a chair; [http://www.historylearningsite.co.uk/james\\_connolly.htm](http://www.historylearningsite.co.uk/james_connolly.htm)

Aug. 3, 1916, Sir Roger Casement is hanged for his support of Irish Independence; <http://firstworldwar.com/bio/casement.htm>

June 10th, 1918, US Marine Dan Daly wipes out German machine-gun nest at Belleau Wood earning one of his two Congressional Medals of Honor; [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daniel\\_Daly](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daniel_Daly)

Dec. 14, 1918, Constance (Gore-Booth) Markievicz is elected to British Parliament, refuses to take seat; <http://what-when-how.com/women-and-war/markievicz-nee-gore-booth-countess-constance-combatantsmilitary-personnel/>

January 21, 1919, Eamonn deValera, elected first President of Sinn Fein; <http://www.clarelibrary.ie/eolas/coclare/people/eamon.htm>

January 21, 1919, The raid at Soloheadbeg, Co. Tipperary, considered to begin the War of Independence; <http://policehistory.com/soloheadbeg.html>

April 1, 1919, Eamonn de Valera elected as President of Ireland's First Dáil, click on link to read more on de Valera; [http://www.historylearningsite.co.uk/eamonn\\_de\\_valera.htm](http://www.historylearningsite.co.uk/eamonn_de_valera.htm)

**January 30, 1920, Tomás MacCurtin**, AOH leader in Ireland, elected Lord Mayor of Cork City; [http://www.nyaoh.com/Hist\\_MacCurtain.htm](http://www.nyaoh.com/Hist_MacCurtain.htm) written report by AOH National Historian, Mike McCormack

March 15, 1920, Tomás MacCurtain, Sinn Fein Lord Mayor of Cork, shot by British forces, you can read more on this by clicking on the link; [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tom%C3%A1s\\_Mac\\_Curtain](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tom%C3%A1s_Mac_Curtain)

Sept. 20, 1920, young man Kevin Barry is arrested by the British , he is later hanged for his involvement for Irish Freedom, <http://www.ireland-information.com/articles/kevinbarry.htm>

Sept. 25, 1920, Tomás Ashe, dies after being force fed while on Hunger Strike by prison officials, [http://medlibrary.org/medwiki/Thomas\\_Ashe](http://medlibrary.org/medwiki/Thomas_Ashe)

October 25, 1920, Lord Mayor of Cork, Terence MacSwiney dies after 74 days on hunger strike; <http://www.mahalo.com/terence-macswiney>

Nov. 1, 1920, Kevin Barry is executed, many a song and story about this brave young man, who was hanged at the age of 18, [www.ireland-information.com/articles/kevinbarry.htm](http://www.ireland-information.com/articles/kevinbarry.htm)

Sept. 7, 1921, Legion of Mary is founded in Dublin; <http://www.legionofmary.ie/>

January 7, 1922, Dáil Eireann passes peace treaty between Ireland and England, civil war begins shortly afterwards; [http://www.generalmichaelcollins.com/Mi.Collins\\_Growing\\_up/The\\_Treaty\\_Debate.html](http://www.generalmichaelcollins.com/Mi.Collins_Growing_up/The_Treaty_Debate.html)

January 10, 1922, Arthur Griffith is elected as President of the Irish Free State,

<http://www.answers.com/topic/arthur-griffith>

January 16, 1922, Dublin Castle is handed over to the Irish Free State;  
<http://www.claddagh.com/library/dublincastle.htm>

April 14, 1922, IRA dissidents seize the Four Courts in Dublin to protest the treaty granting only 26 Counties freedom;

July 7, 1922, Cathal Brugha, dies of wounds from Irish Civil War;  
[http://www.absoluteastronomy.com/topics/Cathal\\_Brugha](http://www.absoluteastronomy.com/topics/Cathal_Brugha)

Aug. 12, 1922, Arthur Griffith, Irish President, dies;  
<http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/246075/Arthur-Griffith>

Nov. 25, 1922, Irish patriot, Erskine Childers, executed by Irish Free State,  
[www.answers.com/topic/erskine-hamilton-childers](http://www.answers.com/topic/erskine-hamilton-childers)

Dec. 16, 1922, General Michael Collins, accepts Dublin Castle from the British;  
<http://www.claddagh.com/library/dublincastle.htm>

May 24, 1923, Irish Civil War ends; [http://www.bookrags.com/wiki/Irish\\_Civil\\_War](http://www.bookrags.com/wiki/Irish_Civil_War)

Aug. 22, 1923, Co. Cork native, Michael Collins, is killed by ambush in his home County,  
<http://www2.cruzio.com/~sbarrett/mcollins.htm>

Sept. 10, 1923, Irish Free State joins the League of Nations;  
[http://www.novelguide.com/a/discover/eich\\_02/eich\\_02\\_00554.html](http://www.novelguide.com/a/discover/eich_02/eich_02_00554.html)

Nov. 20, 1923, Commandant Denis Barry dies on hunger strike;  
<http://irishvolunteers.org/2011/09/commandant-dennis-barry/>

June 7, 1925, Matt Talbot dies on his way to Mass;  
<http://matttalbotgroup19.org/story.htm>

March 11, 1926, Eamonn DeValera resigns as President of Sinn Fein, forms new party, Fianna Fail; <http://www.clarelibrary.ie/eolas/coclare/people/eamon.htm>

April 28, 1927, 2 time Medal of Honor Awardee, Dan Daly dies;  
<http://www.usmarinesbirthplace.com/DALY.html>

**July 15, 1927, 1916 Leader Constance Booth (Countess Markievicz)** passes away; <http://www.thewildgeese.com/pages/ireland.html>

February 9, 1923, Irish playwright Brendan Behan is born;  
<http://www.irelandseye.com/irish/people/famous/behans.htm>

Dec 3, 1925, Partition of the 6 Counties in the north officially begin;  
[http://goireland.about.com/od/historyculture/a/irish\\_partition.htm](http://goireland.about.com/od/historyculture/a/irish_partition.htm)

January 18, 1934, Irish Patriot and AOH Leader "Wee" Joe Devlin, dies in Belfast;  
<http://www.marxists.org/archive/connelly/1915/08/wedevlin.htm>

June 18, 1936, Fianna Fail, under deValera's government, bans the IRA;  
<http://ardoynerpublican.blogspot.com/2012/05/history-of-felon-setting.html>

June 2, 1937, Irish Constitution abolishing English Irish Free State is established,  
<http://www.constitution.ie/constitution-of-ireland/default.asp>

Dec. 29, 1937, New Irish Constitution comes into effect;  
[http://www.experiencefestival.com/a/Constitution\\_of\\_Ireland\\_-\\_Historical\\_origins/id/1256294](http://www.experiencefestival.com/a/Constitution_of_Ireland_-_Historical_origins/id/1256294)

April 25, 1938, Eamonn de Valera, declares Ireland's neutrality in WWII;  
[http://www.absoluteastronomy.com/topics/Irish\\_neutrality\\_during\\_World\\_War\\_II](http://www.absoluteastronomy.com/topics/Irish_neutrality_during_World_War_II)

February 7, 1940, IRA Volunteers Peter Barnes and James McCormack, hanged by the British this day; <http://www.anphoblacht.com/news/detail/38457>

February 25, 1940, 7 men go on Hunger Strike at Mountjoy Jail;  
<http://saoirse32.blogspot.com/2005/04/15/sean-mcneela-and-tony-darcy/>

March 5, 1942, Irish Republican George Plant is executed by Irish Free State;  
[http://fethard.com/reports/george\\_plant.html](http://fethard.com/reports/george_plant.html)

Sept. 2, 1942. Irish Republican Tom Williams is hung by the British; [http://republican-news.org/current/news/2010/09/tom\\_williams.html](http://republican-news.org/current/news/2010/09/tom_williams.html)

May 21, 1944, Mary Robinson, first female President of Ireland is born;  
[http://www.newworldencyclopedia.org/entry/Mary\\_Robinson](http://www.newworldencyclopedia.org/entry/Mary_Robinson)

June 27th, 1846, Charles Stewart Parnell, the uncrowned King of Ireland is born, his father from Ireland and mother is daughter of the US Navy's first Rear Admiral, Charles Stewart; [http://www.essortment.com/all/whowascharles\\_rh1.htm](http://www.essortment.com/all/whowascharles_rh1.htm)

April 18, 1949, Republic of Ireland Act of 1948 is enacted;  
[http://www.oursportscentral.com/services/history/wiki.php?title=Republic\\_of\\_Ireland\\_A](http://www.oursportscentral.com/services/history/wiki.php?title=Republic_of_Ireland_A)

[ct 1948](#)

Sept. 14, 1951, Joe McDonnell, 1981 Hunger Striker is born,  
<http://www.bobbysandstrust.com/archives/1850>

April 6, 1954, The Flag & Emblems Act of 1954, which gave the RUC the right to arrest, remove any article displayed publicly that didn't support the British gov't. Any display other than the Union Jack, was considered objectionable to the public peace, it was later repealed, you can read more about it at this link;  
<http://cain.ulst.ac.uk/hms0/fea1954.htm>

February 28, 1956, Francis Hughes, 2nd Hunger Striker to die, is born,  
<http://www.irishhungerstrike.com/francishughes.html>

Sept. 13, 1956, Martin Hurson, 1981 Hunger Striker is born,  
<http://www.bobbysandstrust.com/hungerstrikers/martin-hurson>

February 25, 1957, Ray McCreesh is born, 3rd man to die on 1981 Hunger Strike;  
<http://reference.findtarget.com/search/Raymond%20McCreesh/> <http://www.irishhungerstrike.com/raymccreesh.html>

March 3, 1957, Mairéad Farrell, is born this day;  
<http://www.dublinnorthcentral.com/campaign/2121>

Nov. 30, 1957, Irish Hunger Striker, Thomas McElwee is born,  
[www.irelandsown.net/mcelwee.html](http://www.irelandsown.net/mcelwee.html)

January 20, 1961, John F. Kennedy, sworn in as first Irish-American Catholic President;  
<http://www.biography.com/featured-biography/john-f-kennedy/>

March 8, 1966, Pillar of Lord Nelson is blown up by IRA;  
<http://irishdancedresscanada.homestead.com/ImagesofNelsonsPillar.html>

Aug. 24, 1968, First Civil Rights March from Coalisland to Dungannon begin;  
<http://fenian32.livejournal.com/4047290.html>

January 5, 1969, Civil Rights march besieged by Loyalist and RUC at Burntollet start of new wave of violence against Nationalist;  
<http://www.museumoffreederry.org/history-burntollet01.html>

April 17, 1969, Bernadette Devlin, elected youngest female to British Parliament;  
<http://www.bookrags.com/biography/bernadette-devlin/>

July 21, 1969, Irish-American Neil Armstrong does first historic Moon Walk;

[http://www.thirdage.com/news/neil-armstrong-interview-neil-armstrong-first-moon-walk\\_12-10-2010](http://www.thirdage.com/news/neil-armstrong-interview-neil-armstrong-first-moon-walk_12-10-2010)

Aug. 9, 1971, Internment begins in the north of Ireland;

[http://www.enotes.com/topic/Operation\\_Demetrius](http://www.enotes.com/topic/Operation_Demetrius)

October 3, 1971, traditional Irish music composer Sean O'Riada passes away;

<http://www.iol.ie/~ronolan/riada.html>

Nov. 16, 1971, Nine Republican Prisoners Escape from Crumlin Road Gaol;

<http://ardoynerpublican.blogspot.com/2009/05/escapes-and-mcgurks-bar.html>

January 22, 1972, Eamon "Ned" Broy, inside man for Michael Collins, dies;

[http://www.worldlingo.com/ma/enwiki/en/Eamon\\_Broy](http://www.worldlingo.com/ma/enwiki/en/Eamon_Broy)

January 30, 1972, Derry City, British troops fire upon a civil rights march, left 13 dead, 14 wounded, one to die a few months later of his wounds, became known as "Bloody Sunday", although the British cleared all in that were involved in the march, no soldiers were ever charged with their killing,

[http://www.wordiq.com/definition/Bloody\\_Sunday\\_%281972%29](http://www.wordiq.com/definition/Bloody_Sunday_%281972%29)

February 2, 1972, British Embassy in Dublin destroyed by protestors as a result of Bloody Sunday atrocities,

[http://news.bbc.co.uk/onthisday/hi/dates/stories/february/2/newsid\\_2758000/2758163.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/onthisday/hi/dates/stories/february/2/newsid_2758000/2758163.stm)

October 31, 1973, in Mountjoy Prison, the Provos staged a very successful prison escape, big embarrassment to Irish gov't, the Wolfetones would later write a hit song about it;

[http://republican-news.org/current/news/2008/11/helicopter\\_escape\\_from\\_mountjo.html](http://republican-news.org/current/news/2008/11/helicopter_escape_from_mountjo.html)

May 17, 1974, 34 people are killed in Dublin and Monaghan by British and Loyalist;

<http://www.dublinmonaghanbombings.org/index2.html>

June 3, 1974, Michael Gaughan dies on Hunger Strike, he's remembered in the song "Take Me Home To Mayo;

<http://www.mayosinnfein.com/events/1110>

Aug. 29, 1975, Eamonn deValera dies, served 21 years as

Taoiseach; <http://uk.news.yahoo.com/on-this-day---irish-independence-leader-eamon-de-valera-died--in-1975---after-serving-as-taoiseach-for-21-years-163151554.html#Xg3IkIR>

Dec. 5, 1975, Internment ends in the north of Ireland;

[http://news.bbc.co.uk/onthisday/hi/dates/stories/august/9/newsid\\_4071000/4071849.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/onthisday/hi/dates/stories/august/9/newsid_4071000/4071849.stm)

February 12, 1976, Irish Republican Frank Stagg, dies on hunger strike, being forced fed by the British; <http://www.anphoblacht.com/news/detail/8450>

Sept. 17, 1976, Mairead Corrigan and Betty Williams awarded Nobel Peace Prize for their work in the north of Ireland,  
<http://www.peacepeople.com/MaireadCMaquire.htm> <http://www.thefamouspeople.com/profiles/betty-williams-78.php>

Dec. 10, 1978, Irish National Caucus is founded;  
<http://irishnationalcaucus.blogspot.com/>

October 27, 1980, First H-Block Hunger Strike began;  
<http://www.pittsburghirish.org/AOHDiv32/Hungerstrike.htm>

March 1, 1981, Bobby Sands begins his start of a 66 day Hunger Strike, for return of Political Status for Political Prisoners of War in Long Kesh Prison. Click on the links to learn more about him; <http://bobby-sands.com/> and [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bobby\\_Sands](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bobby_Sands)

March 14, 1981, Francis Hughes starts Hunger Strike;  
<http://www.irishhungerstrike.com/francishughes.html>

March 22, 1981, Patsy O'Hara and Ray McCreesh begin their Hunger Strike;  
<http://www.irishfreedomcommittee.net/HISTORY/bios/Patsy%20O'Hara.doc>

April 10, 1981, Bobby Sands is elected to English Parliament while on Hunger Strike;  
<http://marcella.dreamwidth.org/7904.html>

May 5th, marks the 33rd anniversary of the death of Bobby Sands, he led the 1981 Hunger Strike, he was on Hunger Strike for 66 days. Joe McDonnell joined the Hunger Strike on May 9th, May 12th Francis Hughes died on Hunger Strike, after 59 days on Hunger Strike. May 21st, Ray McCreesh and Patsy O'Hara died on Hunger Strike.

Bobby Sands; <http://www.irishhungerstrike.com/bobbysands.html>  
Francis Hughes; <http://www.irishhungerstrike.com/francishughes.html>  
Ray McCreesh; <http://www.irishhungerstrike.com/raymccreesh.html>  
Patsy O'Hara; <http://irishhungerstrike.com/patsyohara.html>

July 8, 1981, Joe McDonnell, dies after enduring 61 days on Hunger Strike;  
<http://www.bobbysandstrust.com/hungerstrikers/joe-mcdonnell>



July 13, 1981, Martin Hurson, dies after 44 days on Hunger Strike;  
<http://www.bobbysandstrust.com/hungerstrikers/martin-hurson>

August 1, Kevin Lynch dies after 71 days on Hunger Strike,  
<http://irelandsown.net/lynch.htm>

Aug. 2, Kieran Doherty, who was on Hunger Strike for 73 days  
died <http://www.bobbysandstrust.com/hungerstrikers/kieran-doherty>

Aug. 8, Thomas McElwee, died after 59 days on Hunger Strike  
<http://irelandsown.net/mcelwee.html>

Michael Devine, the last Hunger Striker to die, on Aug. 20, after 62 days,  
<http://irelandsown.net/devine.html>

October 3, 1981, H-Block Hunger Strike ends; <http://irishhungerstrike.com/>

Nov. 15, 1985, Anglo-Irish Agreement signed, [www.answers.com/topic/anglo-irish-agreement](http://www.answers.com/topic/anglo-irish-agreement)

January 29, 1986, Irish-American teacher, S. Christa Corrigan McAuliffe, dies in  
Challenger launch explosion; <http://www.astronautix.com/astros/mcaliffe.htm>

April 10, 1988, the signing of the Good Friday Agreement, establishing a multi-party  
gov't in the north of Ireland; <http://www.dfa.ie/home/index.aspx?id=335>

Sept. 29, 1994, Mike Flannery, Irish Freedom fighter, dies in NYC,  
<http://irishfreedom.net/Fenian%20graves/Flannery,%20Michael/Flannery,%20M.htm>

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June 23rd, 2013, is the celebration of Ancient Celtic Feast of Midsummer's Eve, summer  
solstice; <http://www.druidschool.com/site/1030100/page/846679>