



O'Malley Clan Association Monthly Newsletter

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A great night at the Table Quiz in Murroe



A great night was had by all at the recent table quiz held in Crokers Bar, Murroe held to support our brave little cousin Kit O'Malley of Kansas in the USA.

Pictured above are the winning team of Seamus Keating, Eoin Keating, Marie Hayes, and Ignatius Walsh .

Well done to all of the organizers who put in a lot of effort to put the night together, and it was great to see so many O'Malleys give so much support to that brave little girl in Kansas.



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Welcome to our new newsletter from Clan Chief Brigid O'Malley

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The New US Ambassador to Ireland Mr Kevin F O'Malley

The O'Malley Clan Association has been proud to welcome the new US Ambassador to Ireland Mr Kevin F O'Malley to the O'Malley Clan Association. He has been a member of the O'Malley Clan Association for many years and has been a great supporter of the O'Malley Clan Association.

Get in touch and share your O'Malley Heritage!

Have you got an article or old photographs that you'd like to submit for future editions of "O Máille" The O'Malley Clan Association Newsletter.

We'd love to hear from you wherever you're based around the world. Old photographs and stories to go with them, old letters, family trees or just an arti-

cle that you'd like to share with the rest of the clan. Drop us a line and We'll get right to it!



Fr Thaddeus O'Malley 1796-1877

A Champion of Home Rule

The Reverend Thaddeus O'Malley, born in Garryowen, Co. Limerick, was ordained a priest at the age of twenty-three. From the time of his ordination he engaged in political controversy, and had a stormy career which frequently brought him into collision with his ecclesiastical superiors. He supported his views with books, pamphlets, and letters to the newspapers, including the Times of London.

He first earned the displeasure of his superiors in America where he was suspended from his priestly duties in 1827. On his return to Ireland, he was attached to the Pro-Cathedral in Dublin. In a series of public letters he demanded a poor law for Ireland. These he published in 1837 under the title *Poor Laws – Ireland. An idea of a Poor Law for Ireland*. His support for the Poor Law Bill which was passed in 1838, and the National Education Board, which he supported in his book *A Sketch of the State of Popular Education in Holland, Prussia, Belgium and France*, published in 1840, made him unpopular with the determined Archbishop of Tuam, John MacHale, who was a vigorous opponent of both measures.

Archbishop Daniel Murray of Dublin, although he was a supporter of the National School system, could not overlook a very critical letter which Father O'Malley had written to the Archbishop of Tuam, and he was suspended for the second time. The Whig Government, according to the Limerick Chronicle, 'fully appreciated Mr. O'Malley's manly and enlightened promulgation, and sending for him, Lord Morpath took him by the hand, congratulated him and appointed him Catholic Rector of Malta' (November 1841).

However, Malta proved to be no more appreciative of Fr. O'Malley's 'manly and enlightened promulgation' than was Archbishop Murray, and the controversial priest lost his job in the Catholic university there because of his reforms in discipline among the ecclesiastical students. Nothing daunted, he returned to Dublin, and in 1845 started a newspaper called *The Social Economist*, which in a short while, incurred the displeasure of the Church. He next turned his attention to the question of a federal parliament for Ireland, and started another newspaper – *The Federalist*. Fired by an effort to unite Old and Young Ireland, he attracted many former disciples of Daniel O'Connell, and became known as 'the father of Federalism'.

In 1870 he issued anonymously *Harmony in Religion*, 'in which some alleged divergence of opinion between Cardinals (Henry Edward Manning) and (Paul) Cullen was pointed out, and some modifications in ecclesiastical discipline boldly urged'. Once more Cardinal Cullen was not amused. When Isaac Butt inaugurated the Home Rule movement in 1870, he found an impassioned and an energetic ally in Fr. Thaddeus. Indeed Fr. O'Malley's last publication, and the most successful, was *Home Rule on the Basis of Federalism* (1873), which he inscribed 'to the Irish Conservative Party'.

The last twenty years of his life were spent in retirement in a back lane of Dublin, during which time he continued his critical writings. Although he was fervent in urging changes of ecclesiastical discipline, he was unswerving on articles of faith.



Isaac Butt who found a strong ally in Fr Thaddeus



Archbishop John McHale a strong opponent of Thaddeus' Liberalism



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The O'Malley Clan Association aims to reach out to O'Malleys from all around the world and foster links between the O'Malleys around the globe and the clan at home here in Ireland.

The Clan Association formed in 1953 has been connecting O'Malleys around the world in The US and Canada, Britain, Australia, South Africa, New Zealand, South America, and anywhere else you can think of for over 60 years now.

We hope with our new website, and newsletter, that We can go from strength to strength in our aim to connect all the O'Malleys around the world.

Planning a dream wedding? Why not have it in Ireland!!



If you're planning your dream wedding and need a venue maybe Ireland is the place to go!!

Traditionally the Caribbean, or other locations might have held sway, but Ireland with it's stunning locations, including The Cliffs of Moher, (pictured left), it's castles, stately homes etc is fast becoming a go-to destination for weddings.

Irish Wedding Planners have seen a surge in business, and to be honest, why wouldn't they, where else could you exchange your vows in such stunning locations!!! Check out the full article on Irishcentral.com for more details.