**Col. Thomas J. Cunningham Jr. Division**

**President’s Report – January 12, 2022**

A belated Happy New Year to my fellow Brother Hibernians! I sincerely look forward to working with you once again as President to grow and enjoy the Cunningham Division with Friendship/Unity and Christian Charity always on our minds. Further, our Division motto will be - **Be Informed: Be Proud: Be Committed** which I hope will resonate within every project we plan to undertake this year.

**Issues for tonite – 1/125/2022**

**Projects 2022 Report** – Initial list has been developed and shared within the past week with our Division Officers and Chairpersons for reference and execution purposes. Once finalized after tonight, I plan to have it posted to our Division website. The list spells out both AOH mandated projects/administrative tasks but more importantly, identifies the Division “initiated” projects that are scheduled for completion during 2022. Those identified as Coordinators i.e Point of Contact for the named project, are responsible for the execution of the respective project.

**2 Key 2022 Projects – Database Refresh and Membership Growth** –

**Database Refresh** will essentially be a “voice census” conducted by the Division to speak with every existing member in the Division (approximately 100 in number at this time). In addition to the usual census input, we hope to gather from all of our members WHAT brought them into the Hibernians, WHY they may not be currently “active” and WHAT they would like for the Division to undertake/expand/drop/explore in order for them to reengage the Division.

**Membership Growth** will involve a “well-coordinated” monthly drive at one of 10 Parishes in our area of responsibility to recruit Irish, Catholic gentlemen to become Hibernians. More details to follow.

**Fr. Joseph Farrell** has graciously offered to remain as our Division Chaplain! His Chapel at GMU is open for Masses and raffles, etc; use Parish for groundwork with FOCUS! Specifically, He would like for us to proceed with a new Division project to support FOCUS – Fellowship of Catholic University Students - is a Catholic collegiate outreach whose mission is to share the hope and joy of the gospel with college and university students, inspiring and equipping them for a lifetime of Christ-centered evangelization, discipleship and friendships in which they lead others to do the same. Currently at GMU with Fr. Joe….their local mission wants to reach out to Ireland (where Fr. Pat is located.) **Purpose – to inspire young men and women into Religious Life and certainly back to the Catholic Faith.** He is currently planning to attend the National Convention in July.

Friday -1/21 - March for Life in DC

Saturday – 1/22 – morning – drive Boxes and $$ out to Martinsburg

National Convention – 7/12-7/17 – Pittsburgh – website is now up; $129/nite; $210 for total package of activities

Looking to assist Fr. Tim with His audio visual needs while in Lilly PA.