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Sunday, April 24, 2016

Mass	10:30
Parade	12:00
Ceremony	12:45
Luncheon	2:00

Pearl River Hilton
845-735-9000
Rooms are reserved in AOH name.

Luncheon will be served there
the day of the Ceremony. If you park
at the Hilton, buses will take you to
the Ceremony and Mass, and back to
the Hilton.

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**"IRELAND UNFREE SHALL NEVER
BE AT PEACE"**



Ancient Order of Hibernians
Commemoration of
Easter Rising of 1916



April 24, 2016
Rockland County, New York



DUBLIN, IRELAND April 24, 1916

Padraic Pearse on behalf of the Provisional Government calls for an Irish Republic to exist.

"Irishmen and Irishwomen: In the name of God and of the dead generations from which she receives her old Tradition of Nationhood, Ireland, through us, summons her children to her flag and strikes for her freedom ..."

**ROCKLAND COUNTY,
NEW YORK**
April 24, 2016

The Ancient Order of Hibernians men and women, along with cooperating Irish-American Organizations, will commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Easter Rising of 1916. It is the goal of the Committee to remember with reverence and honor the sacrifices made that day, 100 years ago, when the blood of heroes gave us a Nation Once Again.

It was the courage and determination of those men and women that renewed the cause of nationalism among the Irish people. Too long had England deprived the Irish people of their culture, a culture that was inclusive of their language, their sports, their music, their dance and their literature. Without a 'culture', there is no nation. Therefore, it was the purpose of those Heroes to rebuild the Nation of a Republic of Ireland by recreating the Irish Culture.

All seven signatories were convicted of treason by a military court and executed at Kilmainham Jail by firing squad. Their execution stirred the people, especially since they were not even allowed a proper funeral with the families. Instead they were placed in a common grave with quicklime placed on their bodies. The uprising was over, but a spark had been lit and led to the Irish Free State being established in 1922. The Republic of Ireland became a reality in 1949.

COME – Join with the Irish-American Community of Rockland County New York as we commemorate what took place 100 years ago in Dublin, Ireland. In our statement of purpose for the commemoration, we remind our community that we are Ireland's exiled children in America. Let the words of the Irish National Anthem be our guide: "...some have come from a land beyond the wave." In America and Ireland, support was given to these Heroes of Easter Week 1916 that Irishmen of future generations might control their own destiny. Perhaps the day of a United Ireland will soon be a reality.