



O'Malley Gathering – Limerick 2024

Programme of Events

Friday 28th June

2:00 pm: **The O'Malley Olympics:** Fun and games for kids of all ages!

Venue: Tinnatarriff National School, Cappamore, Co Limerick. Eircode V94 E670

For O'Malleys and all of our friends too! The more the merrier! Among the



events will be a Tug of-war demonstration, a 3-legged race, an egg-and-spoon race, an obstacle course, a bouncy castle, a penalty shoot-out competition, a hang tough competition and more. There will be light refreshments too!

5:00 pm: **Chieftain's Reception and History talk**

Venue: Hayes' Bar & Sliabh Feilim Room, Cappamore, Co Limerick. Eircode V94 XKC8

- Welcome to the 68th annual O'Malley Gathering from Chieftain Nano O'Malley McMahon.
- Collect your 2024 combined name badge/tickets from the information desk.
- On the 100th anniversary of the US recognition of the Irish Free State in 1924, Professor Bernadette Whelan will give a talk entitled: 'Leaving for America: Rituals of Packing and Departure', examining the intense impact on the social, psychological and emotional lives of those who left and those who stayed behind.
- Bring along your family tree to display and compare with others.
- The Clan Shop will be open with O'Malley books, coffee mugs, ties, key rings, pin badges etc. Also, the entries to "An O'Malley I'd love to have met" will be available in booklet form.



- Hayes' Restaurant will be open all evening for those who want to get something to eat ahead of the evening festivities!

8:00 pm: **Charity Concert by the Slieve Felim Singers and Special Guests**

Venue: St John's Church, Abington, Murroe. Eircode V94 N230

A musical treat in aid of Cappamore Day Centre and Milford Hospice, Limerick. Ensure that you have your badge/ticket for admission to the concert.

10:00 pm: **Irish Music Session**

Venue: Hayes' Bar & Sliabh Feilim Room, Cappamore, Co Limerick. Eircode V94 XKC8

Back to Hayes' for an evening of Irish music and dancing. Watch the experts and then learn popular favourites, such as the Siege of Ennis! Family trees and photos will still be on display.



Saturday 29th June

Morning: **Bus Tour to Ardnacrusha Hydroelectric Power Station**



Ardnacrusha Hydroelectric power station was built in the 1920s, shortly after Irish independence. At the time, it was the largest construction project in Europe. Pioneered by Dr. Thomas A. McLaughlin, later Director of the national Electricity Supply Board. He was married to Limerick woman Olwen O'Malley.

Bus pickup points as follows. Ensure that you have your badge/ticket for the bus tour.

- Murroe: Holy Rosary church . Eircode: V94 PY97. Bus departs at 9:15 am
- Cappamore: St Michael's Church. Eircode: V94 PFP2. Bus departs at 9:30 am
- Strand Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick. Eircode V94 03F2. Bus departs at 10:15 am

A light lunch will be provided after the tour and then the bus will drop those on the Walking tour in William Street near Mother Mac's pub before continuing on to the Strand Hotel, leaving there at 2:00 pm for Murroe and Cappamore.

2:30 pm: Limerick Distilleries and Breweries Walking Tour

Meeting Point: Mother Macs Pub, High St., Limerick. Eircode V94 W8X



Led by Michael McMahon, joint proprietor of Mother Macs, formerly the O'Malley – owned Round House, the tour will visit the sites of former distilleries in Limerick, as well as Limerick's leading Treaty Brewery and will finish back at the former Round House, (Mother Mac's) for a complimentary drink.

6:30 pm: Bus to Bunratty

Meeting Point: Strand Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick. Eircode V94 03F2. Bus departs at 6:30 pm sharp. Ensure that you have your badge/ticket for the bus and that you know where to meet the bus for the return rip to the Strand Hotel after the banquet.

7:00 pm: Reception and Mediaeval Banquet

Venue: Bunratty Castle & Folk Park. Eircode V95 WP63



Assemble in Mac's pub in Bunratty Folk Park for a pre-dinner reception. Then walk over to historic Bunratty Castle

for a group photo in front of the castle, followed by an evening of food, wine, music and entertainment from the famed Bunratty singers. There will be a prize for the best mediaeval costume! Those who have booked Children's tickets will



be served a children's menu. Ensure that you have your badge/ticket for admission to the banquet. *(Note: The Dining Hall at Bunratty Castle is on an upper floor accessed via a stairway, and no lift is available unfortunately)*

Sunday 30th June

11:30 am: Annual Clan Mass

Venue: St Munchin's Church, Clancy's Strand, Limerick. Eircode: V94 HW54

The Guardian Chieftain, Chieftain, Tanaiste and former chieftain will be led by a piper into the church where Canon Donogh O'Malley will celebrate the annual clan mass. St Munchin's Church was designed by architect Joe O'Malley in 1920 and is situated across the road from Limerick's iconic Treaty Stone. After mass, local historian Dr Liam Irwin will give a short talk on the events leading up to the Treaty of Limerick in 1691, before we assemble around the Treaty Stone for a group photo of all present.



1:00 pm Annual General Meeting

Venue: O'Brien/Wogan Room, Strand Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick. Eircode V94 03F2.

Guardian Chieftain Ellen O'Malley Dunlop will chair the AGM of the O'Malley Clan Association, which will include reports from the officers and the election of a new Tanaiste. All O'Malleys are welcome to attend, but only Clan Members are entitled to vote.

2pm Annual Clan Luncheon & Inauguration of new Chieftain

Venue: City View Suite, Strand Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick. Eircode V94 03F2.



Lunch on the 6th floor of Limerick's Strand Hotel with panoramic views of the city, followed by the inauguration of our new Chieftain, Grace O'Malley and the singing of Óró Sé do Bheatha 'Bhaile



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