# O’Malley Clan Gathering ‘26

By Land and by Sea we gather here,
In the lovely County Clare.
It’s such a great reunion,
To look forward to each year.
The Annual Gathering Friendship,
Is known fair and wide.
You will get to know each other,
As you sit here side by side.

The renowned Grace O’Malley,
As Gaeilge, Granuaile.
A Sea Fairing Lady,
From Care Island, she did hail.
It’s because of her, we’re here today,
So, enjoy and celebrate.
A very powerful woman,
With an attitude so great.

There’s many a beautiful County,
In this fair Emerald Isle.
I will tell you of the fairest,
If you listen to me awhile.
It’s a place of many welcomes,
Where you are a stranger, but once I declare.
The beautiful Sea-side County,
The Banner, County Clare.

There’s the famous Historical Burren,
Where the Bird’s of the Earth rest there.
They sow the rarest Flower’s,
None in the World can compare.
There’s the towering Cliffs of Moher,
Overlooking the Atlantic Sea.
And the sandy Beaches at Lahinch,
Close by, the lovely Kilkee.

We have the Airport down in Shannon,
Which plays a major part.
It's there, our Holiday Makers,
Arrive and depart.
Our Banner of Safron and Blue,
Can be seen everywhere.
When you see these beautiful Colours,
You will know you are in County Clare.

There's many a great Musician,
Here in County Clare.
Their Traditional Irish Music,
Can be heard everywhere.
There's the well-known Kilfenora,
A very famous Céilí Band.
And the popular Stocking Wing,
Also known throughout this land.

Denise, it's a wonderful occasion,
To be Chieftain of your Clan.
In 1976 your Dad Michael, was Inaugurated,
On Clare Island his Homeland.
He would be very proud of you,
If he was here today.
But he is all around you,
In his own special way.

Congratulations, to you Denise,
We all know too well.
How very proud you are,
Of your Clan you love so well.
Your roll as Chieftain,
Is now almost done.
On Sunday afternoon, you will be handing over,
To the Great Newsletter Don.

**As my husband Michael would say, "Sin a Bhfuil" when he would finish a Song or Story.**