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Easter in Ireland

A Letter from Ireland

a Chara,

This was my first Easter in Ireland in many years as I normally travel to commemorations in the States or Canada.

I am thankful for the work of organizers in Toronto, San Francisco, Chicago, New York, Long Island, and Philadelphia who continue to remember the Irish Patriot dead and build a new and united Ireland.

I would also like to thank Daire Hughes MP, Louis O'Hara TD, Kathleen Funchion MEP, Cathal Mallaghan MP, and Linda Dillon MLA who all traveled from Ireland to demonstrate our appreciation for the work of activists and the importance of North America to our future.

The ability to travel and support these events is made possible by the donors to Friends of Sinn Féin. Thank you.

So back to Easter in Ireland.

Spring has sprung a leak at home. The weather has been rain, rain, and more rain. The one dry day was Easter Sunday. A blessing as I traveled to my hometown of Belfast for two commemorations.

The first one was in Riverdale, the neighborhood in which I grew up in West Belfast. It was a small community event that spanned generations of Irish Republicans. All were neighbors and families, some had lost years to jail, and all

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had died in the conflict and in later years. A new generation bore witness to a fitting tribute chaired by a local Sinn Féin councilor.

The main Republican commemoration took place later that day. It was an occasion to catch up with old friends and comrades. Thousands marched along the Falls Road to the Milltown Cemetery and the Republican plot. Many more lined the roadside to watch.

The oration was given by the Sinn Féin TD Pearse Doherty. A native Irish speaker from County Donegal, his lyrical lilt of Gaeilge resonated with the directness of his speech. Standing at the graveside of Bobby Sands and Mairead Farrell he paid tribute to their memory and all who gave their lives for Irish freedom. His address left no one with any doubts that building a new and united Ireland is achievable by this generation.

As I walked through the graveyard I was humbled by the quiet dignity of families carrying the portraits of loved ones lost in the conflict. Their young faces frozen in time while their contemporaries, grown old with decades lost to prison resolutely marched beside them.

We are at a time when no one should lose their lives or liberty. We now have a peaceful path to Irish unity. That is their greatest gift and one that has yet to be realized.

Have a great weekend.

Ciarán

Ciarán Quinn is the Sinn Féin Representative to North America

Let us build a republic worthy of our patriots - Pearse Doherty tells massive Belfast Easter parade

Belfast was the venue for the biggest Irish Republican Easter commemoration on the Island of Ireland. Thousands of republicans hear Pearse Doherty's powerful speech calling on republicans to now build a republic worthy of our patriots.

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Sinn Féin Representatives remember Ireland's Patriot Dead across the United States

Chicago Easter Commemoration

More than one hundred and fifty supporters gathered at the Irish American Heritage Center of Chicago on Saturday April 19, 2025 to hear from Sinn Féin MP Cathal Mallaghan.

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San Francisco Easter Commemoration

People gathered in Colma, California to commemorate Easter and hear from special guest Luis O'Hara, TD for Galway East.



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Mineola, New York Easter Commemoration

Kathleen Funchion, MEP addressed the gathered crowd at the Easter Commemoration in Mineola, New York.



Spring Video Update

Sinn Féin Representative to North America Ciarán Quinn and Friends of Sinn Féin Executive Director Greg O'Loughlin discuss recent Irish Government and Opposition formation issues, discuss the latest in legacy news, preview upcoming Easter events,

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North America

**Easter Events with Sinn Féin
Representatives in the US**

PHILADELPHIA

12:30pm Sunday, April 27th

Holy Cross Cemetery,
Yeadon, PA

Special Guest: Linda Dillon -
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more information



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Nashville, TN, Cincinnati, OH, & Chicago, IL to host “Irish Unity People’s Assemblies” - Registration now open!

The “Irish Unity People's Assembly: Diaspora” is on the move and coming to [Nashville, TN](#), [Cincinnati, OH](#), and [Chicago, IL](#)! Pat Cullen MP will be our special guest. Info & registration links below.

Be a part of the conversation about creating a new & united Ireland!

THE COMMISSION ON THE FUTURE OF IRELAND



Wednesday, May 28th, 2025
Nashville, TN
Scarritt Bennett Center

Featuring Pat Cullen, MP

A conversation with the diaspora, the descendants of Ireland, and all those who support Irish unity.

AN COIMISIÚN UM THODHCHÁÍ NA hÉIREANN

NASHVILLE, TN

THE COMMISSION ON THE FUTURE OF IRELAND



Thursday, May 29th, 2025
Cincinnati, OH
Irish Heritage Center of Cincinnati

Featuring Pat Cullen, MP

A conversation with the diaspora, the descendants of Ireland, and all those who support Irish unity.

AN COIMISIÚN UM THODHCHÁÍ NA hÉIREANN

CINCINNATI, OH

THE COMMISSION ON THE FUTURE OF IRELAND



Saturday, May 31st, 2025
Chicago, IL
Irish American Heritage Center of Chicago

Featuring Pat Cullen, MP

A conversation with the diaspora, the descendants of Ireland, and all those who support Irish unity.

AN COIMISIÚN UM THODHCHÁÍ NA hÉIREANN

CHICAGO, IL

Martin McGuinness Peace Foundation hosts Kathleen Funchion, MEP in New York

More than one hundred people attended the annual Martin McGuinness Peace Foundation dinner at Bobby Van’s Steakhouse in New York this week. Special guest Kathleen Funchion MEP gave an address about this historic moment in Irish history and the vital role Irish America plays in the work of securing a new and united Ireland.

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New Issue of Éire Nua

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A Plan for Unity

Sinn Féin is a United Ireland party. Our core political objective is to achieve Irish Unity and the referendum on Unity contained in the Good Friday Agreement that is the means to secure this.

In a new publication Sinn Féin sets out our Plan for Unity: A United Ireland – A Plan for Reunification/Plean d'Aontacht na hÉireann.

Our goal is to build a new Ireland – based on the 1916 Proclamation - that is home to all of our people and which is dedicated to equality, reconciliation, opportunity, and prosperity.

A new Ireland which ends divisions, embraces those who define as British and unionist and which in the words of Wolfe Tone unites Catholic, Protestant and Dissenter.

A United Ireland offers a new beginning. A new start which will provide a greater range of economic, employment and improved public services than ever before.



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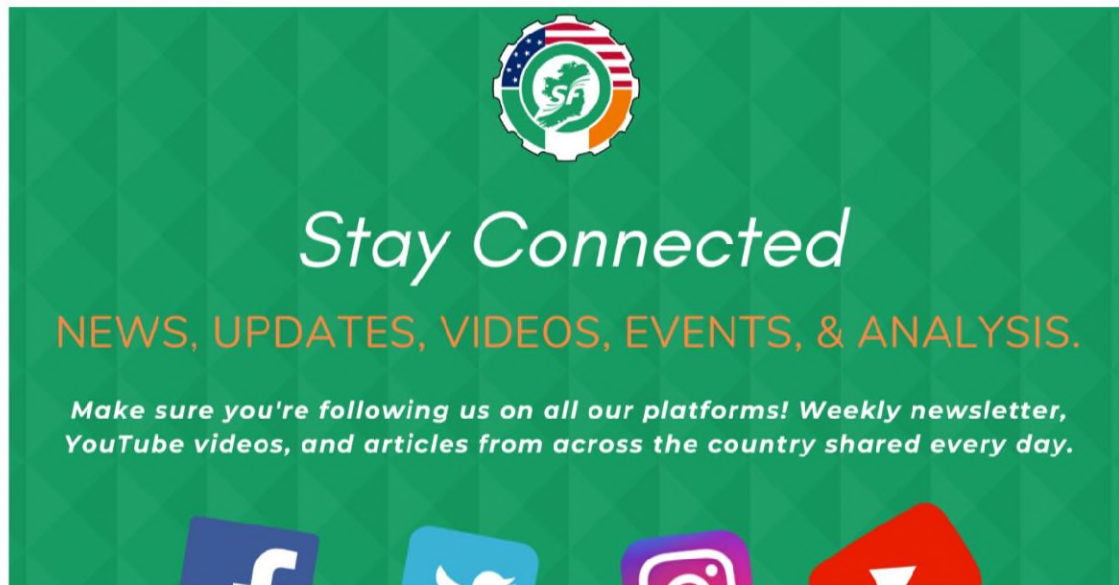
Enact the Occupied Territories Bill and Illegal Israeli Settlements Divestment Bill.

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