

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME
MAY 2018 UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY DETAILS

MAY 20, 2018

ROBING, PHOTOGRAPHS, AND PROCESSION

Members of the Platform Party should arrive in the robing room at 8:45 a.m. to robe. The members of the Platform Party who are receiving honorary degrees, the Laetare Medal recipients, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, the President, and the Provost will be directed to the staging area for photographs after robing. After photographs, each person will return to the designated area to be directed to his/her place in line for the procession. At 9:55 a.m., the Platform Party will process, at the direction of the University Registrar, **Chuck Hurley**, to the stadium tunnel and to the field where they will be met by the **Mace Bearer, Professor Aprahamian, and Chief Marshals, Professors Davis and Desch.**

When the last of the faculty are on the field and are near to being seated, the following announcement will be made off stage over the processional music:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, PLEASE RISE TO GREET OUR
PRESIDENT'S LEADERSHIP COUNCIL, TRUSTEES, DEANS,
HONOREES, PROVOST, UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT,
AND OTHER DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THE COMMENCEMENT PLATFORM PARTY
LED BY THE UNIVERSITY REGISTRAR.

The band will continue to play processional music while the **Mace Bearer** leads the **Chief Marshals** and the Platform Party onto the stage. The **Chief Marshals** go onto the stage and to their seats as the members of the Platform Party go onto the stage and to their assigned seats directed by **Mr. Hurley**. The **Mace Bearer** will go to the front of the stage, stand next to the podium and face the Platform Party until all are at their assigned seats. The **Mace Bearer** will bow to **Father Jenkins**, place the Mace in its stand and go to her assigned seat. **Name cards, programs, and (where relevant) script (cue) cards will be on the chairs.**

CONVENING OF THE CONVOCATION

The Platform Party will remain standing at their chairs. After the **Mace Bearer** has left the front of the stage, **Dr. Burish** goes to the podium and will officially open the Convocation with the statement:

Good morning. Members of the Class of 2018....

Please remain standing as we begin our program with Reverend James Foster, C.S. C., leading us in the singing of "America the Beautiful." Harisa Spahić, from the College of Science, will then deliver the Invocation.

When finished with the Invocation, **Ms. Spahić** will ask everyone to be seated.

VALEDICTORY

At the conclusion of the Invocation, **Dr. Burish** will introduce **Mr. Grose**, with the following statement:

This year's Valedictorian is Andrew Stephen Grose in the College of Science...

I present to you Andrew Stephen Grose for the Valedictory.

At the conclusion of the Valedictory, **Dr. Burish** will return to the podium and thank **Mr. Grose**.

CONFERRAL OF HONORARY DEGREES

Dr. Burish will then say:

We now proceed to the conferral of honorary degrees...

Six such individuals have been selected to receive honorary degrees in this year's class. We will now confer those degrees.

Father Jenkins, Mr. Brennan, and Mr. Hurley will go to the designated area at the front of the stage. After each citation is read, the **honorary degree recipient** will rise and go to the designated area at the front of the stage. **Mr. Hurley** will take the hood from the table and he and **Mr. Brennan** will place it over the recipient's head and **Mr. Hurley** will button it. **Father Jenkins** will then present the diploma. **Father Jenkins**, the recipient, and **Mr. Brennan** will then turn to face the audience for a presentation photo. **Mr. Brennan, Mr. Hurley, and Father Jenkins** will remain standing as **Dr. Burish** reads the next citation. **Mr. Hurley** will hand **Father Jenkins** the next diploma as **Dr. Burish** begins reading the next citation.

**At the 173rd Commencement
The May Exercises
The University of Notre Dame
confers the degree of...**

Doctor of Laws, *honoris causa*, on:

**Blase Joseph Cardinal Cupich
Chicago, Illinois**

**William M. Goodyear Jr.
Chicago, Illinois**

**Kamal Hossain
Dhaka, Bangladesh**

**Sérgio Fernando Moro
Curitiba, Paraná, Brazil**

**Louise Richardson
Oxford, United Kingdom**

Doctor of Science, *honoris causa*, on:

**Margaret Mary Murnane
Boulder, Colorado**

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Father Jenkins will go to the podium and introduce **Judge Moro**, who will then go to the podium to deliver the Commencement Address.

After the Commencement Address, **Dr. Burish** will go to the podium and thank **Judge Moro**.

PRESENTATION OF EMERITUS FACULTY

Dr. Burish will then announce the Faculty Awards with the statement:

Just as you graduates will soon begin a new life outside the University, so too will several members of the faculty who enter emeritus status from Notre Dame with the close of this academic year...

Ikaros I. Bigi, Professor of Physics

Mary P. Beckman, Professional Specialist, Center for Social Concerns

Douglass W. Cassel, Professor of Law

Jeanne D. Day, Professor of Psychology

Jean A. Dibble, Professor of Art, Art History, and Design

Dennis Doordan, Professor of Architecture

John (Jack) Duman, Professor of Biological Sciences

Barbara J. Fick, Associate Professor of Law

James L. Fuehrmeyer, Jr., Professional Specialist of Accountancy

Patrick D. Gaffney, C.S.C., Associate Professor of Anthropology

Stuart Greene, Associate Professor of English and Africana Studies

Gustavo A. Gutierrez, O.P., Professor of Theology

***Michael L. Hemler, Associate Professor of Finance**

Richard A. Jensen, Professor of Economics

Kathryn E. Kerby-Fulton, Professor of English

Collette Mak, Librarian, Hesburgh Libraries

Rodney L. McClain, Professional Specialist of Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering

John P. Meier, Professor of Theology

Odette Menyard, Assistant Professional Specialist of Romance Languages and Literatures

Ava Preacher, Associate Professional Specialist and Assistant Dean, College of Arts and Letters

David N. Ricchiute, Professor of Accountancy

Salma Saddawi, Professional Specialist of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering

Wendy Clauson Schlereth, University Archivist, University Archives

Robert P. Schmuhl, Professor of American Studies

James Smyth, Professor of History

Nancy K. Stanton, Professor of Mathematics

Leopold Stubenberg, Associate Professor of Philosophy

John H. Van Engen, Professor of History

Julia Douthwaite Viglione, Professor of Romance Languages and Literatures

Peter Nils Wallenstein, Research Professor, Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies

Andrew J. Weigert, Professor of Sociology

John P. Welle, Professor of Romance Languages and Literatures

Susan Lee Youens, Professor of Music

Jaroslav Zajicek, Professional Specialist of Chemistry and Biochemistry

** Deceased*

Please join me in expressing our gratitude to these emeriti faculty for their service to you and to Notre Dame.

RECOGNITION OF THE AWARD AND PRIZE WINNERS

On behalf of the University, I now have the honor of recognizing faculty members for their excellence in teaching. Their names are listed on pages 81 and 82 of the Commencement Program.

Please join me in giving all of these extraordinary teachers a round of applause.

Class of 2018, while the individuals whose names I have just read are being singled out for their excellence in teaching and advising, it is right to recognize your other teachers as well...

I ask all the faculty and rectors to rise, and I ask the class of 2018 and all of us as well, to give them one final ovation.

RECOGNITION OF STUDENT ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Dr. Burish will then ask all student award and prize winners to stand to be recognized, saying:

Although all graduates here today have earned the ultimate honor, their degree, many of our students have also won special awards and prizes. These students are listed on pages 73, and 82 to 98 of the Commencement Booklet. I ask all of you who have received awards and prizes – undergraduate, graduate, and professional students – to please stand and be recognized.

Would you please join me in congratulating these students on their extraordinary accomplishment?

Next, I ask you to join me in congratulating those students who are graduating with Latin honors.

Would those students graduating *summa cum laude*, who are in the top 5% of their college's class, please stand and be recognized.

Would those students graduating *magna cum laude*, who are in the top 15% of their college's class, please stand and be recognized.

And would those students graduating *cum laude*, who are in the top 30% of their college's class, please stand and be recognized.

PRESENTATION OF THE LAETARE MEDAL

After the student academic achievements, **Dr. Burish** will introduce **Mr. Brennan** to read the Laetare Medal citation.

It is now my pleasure to call on the Chair of the Board of Trustees, Mr. John J. Brennan, for the introduction of our Laetare Medal winner.

Mr. Brennan will go the podium and read the citation. After reading the citation, he will return to his seat. As her name is announced at the end of the citation, **Sister Pimentel**, will come forward for the presentation of the award by **Father Jenkins**. **Father Jenkins** will take the Laetare Medal from the table and present it to the Laetare winner at the front of the stage and pose for the presentation pictures. **Father Jenkins** will return to his seat. **Sister Pimentel** will go to the podium for her response.

After the remarks from **Sister Pimentel**, **Dr. Burish** returns to the podium and congratulates **Sister Pimentel** on receiving the Laetare Medal.

REMARKS CONCERNING THE SATURDAY CEREMONIES

Dr. Burish will say:

Yesterday, degrees were awarded by the Graduate School, the Graduate Division of the Mendoza College of Business, the Law School, and the Keough School of Global Affairs. So that we too may congratulate these graduates, will those of you who received your degrees in one of these ceremonies please rise.

Please join me in honoring these students with your applause.

CONFERRAL OF BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

Dr. Burish will say:

The dean of each college and school awarding baccalaureate degrees will now formally present to the University's President, **Father John Jenkins**, the candidates for their degrees. I ask that each dean, in turn, beginning with **Dean John McGreevy** of the College of Arts and Letters, please come forward to present the candidates for baccalaureate degrees.

Dean McGreevy will replace **Dr. Burish** at the podium. **Dean McGreevy** will announce:

WILL THE CANDIDATES FOR THE BACHELOR DEGREE

IN THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND LETTERS,

AND THE FACULTY OF THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND LETTERS PLEASE RISE.

Dean McGreevy will then turn to **Father Jenkins** and say:

REVEREND FATHER PRESIDENT, I AM PLEASED TO PRESENT TO YOU
THE CANDIDATES WHO HAVE COMPLETED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR
THE BACHELOR DEGREE IN THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND LETTERS.
AS DEAN OF THE COLLEGE AND IN THE NAME OF THE FACULTY OF
THE COLLEGE, I NOW ASK THAT YOU CONFER UPON THESE
STUDENTS THE DEGREE WHICH THEY HAVE EARNED.

Father Jenkins will then read the following degree-conferring statement:

THANK YOU DEAN McGREEVY. BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME
AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME DU LAC,
AND IN THE NAME OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY
AND THE FACULTY OF YOUR COLLEGE OF ARTS AND LETTERS,
I SOLEMNLY AND PUBLICLY CONFER ON YOU THE
DEGREE RECOMMENDED BY YOUR DEAN.
WE ADMIT YOU TO ALL ITS RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES
AND REMIND YOU OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES YOU ARE ABOUT TO ASSUME.
MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU. CONGRATULATIONS.

Each dean, in the following order:

Dean Mary E. Galvin – College of Science
Dean Peter K. Kilpatrick – College of Engineering
Dean Roger D. Huang – Mendoza College of Business
Dean Michael N. Lykoudis – School of Architecture

will present the baccalaureate degree recipients in their colleges/school after first having asked the degree candidates and faculty of their college/school to stand. Each **dean** will return to his/her seat after the degrees for his/her college/school have been conferred by **Father Jenkins** and the next **dean** will replace him at the podium. The statement to be read by each dean is:

WILL THE CANDIDATES FOR THE BACHELOR DEGREE
 IN THE COLLEGE/SCHOOL OF _____ AND THE FACULTY
 OF THE COLLEGE/SCHOOL OF _____ PLEASE RISE.

REVEREND FATHER PRESIDENT, I AM PLEASED TO PRESENT TO YOU
 THE CANDIDATES WHO HAVE COMPLETED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR
 THE BACHELOR DEGREE IN THE COLLEGE/SCHOOL OF _____.
 AS DEAN OF THE COLLEGE/SCHOOL AND IN THE NAME OF THE FACULTY OF
 THE COLLEGE/SCHOOL, I NOW ASK THAT YOU CONFER UPON THESE
 STUDENTS THE DEGREE WHICH THEY HAVE EARNED.

After each **dean** reads the above statement for his or her college/school, **Father Jenkins** will read the following degree conferring statement for that college/school:

THANK YOU DEAN _____. BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME
 AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME DU LAC,
 AND IN THE NAME OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY
 AND THE FACULTY OF YOUR COLLEGE/SCHOOL,
 I SOLEMNLY AND PUBLICLY CONFER ON YOU THE
 DEGREE RECOMMENDED BY YOUR DEAN.
 WE ADMIT YOU TO ALL ITS RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES
 AND REMIND YOU OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES YOU ARE ABOUT TO ASSUME.
 MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU. CONGRATULATIONS.

CHARGE TO THE GRADUATING CLASS

Father Jenkins will go to the podium and give his CHARGE TO THE GRADUATING CLASS.

At the conclusion of the charge, **Dr. Burish** will replace Father Jenkins at the podium.

CLOSING OF THE CONVOCATION

At the conclusion of the Charge, **Dr. Burish** will go to the podium and say:

We now come to the conclusion of the 173rd Commencement of the University of Notre Dame...

Our 2018 Commencement Exercises will now conclude with the Folk Choir, followed by the Benediction provided by Cardinal Cupich, and then the singing of “Notre Dame, our Mother,” led by Fr. Foster and accompanied by the choir. Afterward, the Platform Party and the faculty will recess from the stadium. Would all graduates and guests please remain in your seats until the Platform Party and faculty have left the stadium. Students, as you exit the stadium tunnel, please keep walking toward the Library Mall so that those following you have room to exit.

Thank you for your presence here today.

The student Folk Choir of 36, accompanied by Dr. J.J. Wright, will enter the stage and sing the prepared Hymn.

Once the Folk Choir has finished, **Cardinal Cupich** will go to the podium for the Benediction.

At the end of the Benediction, **Rev. James Foster, C.S.C.** replaces **Cardinal Cupich** at the podium and leads the singing of “Notre Dame, Our Mother”, accompanied by the Folk Choir.

At the end of the Ceremony, as “Notre Dame, Our Mother” is finishing, the **Mace Bearer** will go to the front of the stage with **Mr. Hurley** and retrieve the Mace from its stand. The **Chief Marshals, Mace Bearer** and **Mr. Hurley** will then lead the Platform Party off stage by the ramp, in the reverse order from which it entered, and back to the robing room. The faculty will recess from their seating area through the tunnel. The students are dismissed in place and will exit through the tunnel after the faculty. The recessional music will play until the faculty have left the field.