Spring 2018

Dear Members of the Class of 2018,

“You have fought the good fight and finished the race” (2 Tim 4:7), congratulations! As you may know, a vital part of celebrating graduation weekend is the Baccalaureate Mass on Saturday, May 19, 2018, at 4:30 p.m. in the UWM Panther Arena. In past years, graduates and their families have found this Mass to be a wonderful opportunity to celebrate this milestone and give thanks to God for the blessings received throughout their years at Marquette. **We ask that you wear your academic apparel** in order to join the entrance procession. You are encouraged to invite your family and friends to join you in this liturgical celebration. Tickets are not required for this event.

We need Volunteers for the planning of the Mass and to also serve as liturgical ministers in various capacities. Your active participation is essential for the success of this liturgical celebration.

Please consider being involved in this Baccalaureate Mass in one of the following ways:

† **BANNER/CANDLE Bearers:** The entrance procession during Mass will include banners and candles, we need volunteers to help carry in these items.

† **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:** This is a great way for families and graduates to be involved if they have been Communion Ministers in their home parishes or at Marquette.

† **VOCALISTS AND INSTRUMENTALISTS:** The music at the Baccalaureate Mass is always phenomenal, but not without the help of graduates who are able to enhance our worship in this way.

† **LECTORS:** Graduates are needed to proclaim the 1st and 2nd readings, and also to read the Prayer of the Faithful during the liturgy. Anyone applying to be a lector will need to sign up for an audition time with Campus Ministry, at AMU 236 after they complete the application.

- To volunteer to be a minister, please go to this link on our website: http://www.marquette.edu/cm/worship/liturgy/baccalaureate.php

Please complete the online form by Friday, April 13th. If you have further questions, please feel free to contact me via e-mail at maryreginald.anibueze@marquette.edu, or by phone at 414-288-0522.

Finally, a great deal of preparation is needed for such a liturgy. We would like to gather your input in order to create a celebration that is particularly meaningful for the Class of 2018

† **BACCALAUREATE MASS PLANNING MEETING:** To make the Baccalaureate Mass a memorable event, we have scheduled a meeting for Tuesday, April 3rd from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at AMU 236 (Campus Ministry Office). Your ideas and active participation are important to help us make the celebration remarkable for you, and for your family and friends.

Blessings to you as you finish the semester and congratulations on your upcoming graduation!

Sincerely,

Sr. Mary Reginald Anibueze
Director of Liturgy
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