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   Francis M. Lazarus, Ph.D., Provost and Academic Vice President

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National Anthem
   Senior members of the Assumption College Chorale
   Michelle Graveline, D.M.A., Director, Professor of Music

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Brian K. Kelly ’83
Commencement Speaker; Doctor of Education

Brian Kelly, now in his third year as head football coach at the University of Notre Dame, has been an incredibly successful collegiate gridiron head coach through 21 seasons. The Massachusetts native and Assumption College graduate is the first Fighting Irish head coach to win a bowl game during his first season. Kelly led Notre Dame to 16 wins and two bowl games during his first two seasons on campus. He is the fifth-winningest active coach in the NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision.

Kelly grew up in Chelsea, Mass., and graduated from St. John’s Preparatory School in Danvers, Mass. A four-year star linebacker for Assumption’s club football team, he captained the squad in 1981 and 1982. After graduating with a bachelor’s degree in political science, he worked with the Greyhounds (1983-86) as linebacker coach and defensive coordinator, while also coaching softball.

In 1987, Kelly joined the Grand Valley State University (Michigan) football program as a graduate assistant and defensive backs coach. He moved up to defensive coordinator and recruiting coordinator in 1989. Two years later, at 28, he became the head coach. In his 13 seasons with the Lakers, Kelly’s teams won NCAA Division II national championships in 2002 and 2003. In 2009, he was inducted into the Grand Valley State Athletics Hall of Fame. In 2011, Grand Valley State renamed the Lakers indoor football field and track facility the “Kelly Family Sports Center.”

He took over the reins at NCAA Division I Central Michigan University, and after three successful seasons he was named head coach at the University of Cincinnati. Kelly led the Bearcats to a 36-6 record and two BIG EAST Conference titles, along with appearances in the 2008 FedEx Orange Bowl and the 2009 Allstate Sugar Bowl. He became the first BIG EAST football coach to win the conference’s coach-of-the-year honor for three successive years. He was named the 2009 ESPN/Home Depot National Coach of the Year Award.

Kelly and his wife Paqui, who have three children, established the Kelly Cares Foundation in 2009. Through the foundation, Paqui, a two-time breast cancer survivor, and Brian direct their charitable giving to health, education and community programs and initiatives.

Maurice J. Boisvert AP ’62, ’66, G’68
Doctor of Humane Letters

Maurice “Moe” Boisvert has led Worcester-based YOU, Inc. (Youth Opportunities Upheld) for more than four decades. The YOU, Inc., president and CEO was the first employee hired by the nonprofit child and family services organization in 1971. Today, Boisvert leads a staff of 600 in the development and delivery of innovative programs and strategies that provide therapeutic, educational and residential services to more than 21,000 at-risk clients each year. He and his team share a mantra, "children and families first."

Boisvert, a Worcester native and licensed clinical social worker, began his career in child welfare as a volunteer at the Worcester Boys and Girls Club, while still a student at Assumption Prep. He continued his community service as an undergraduate at Assumption and he also earned a master’s degree in 1968. He went on to earn a master’s of social work degree from the University of Connecticut 1970. Boisvert shares his knowledge and 40-plus years of professional experience with tomorrow’s social workers through adjunct teaching positions at Assumption, Clark University and at Boston College, among others. He has published in professional journals and presented at national professional conferences.

Boisvert’s commitment to helping children and families in crisis has garnered broad recognition. In addition to the Assumption College Alumni Association’s 2001 Fr. Louis Dion, A. A. ’35 Outstanding Achievement Award, he received the Boston Globe’s 2003 Heroes Among Us Award, the Worcester Business Journal’s Business Leader of the Year Award in 2006 and the 2008 Renaissance Award from the Greater Worcester Foundation, among others. He has belonged to or led nearly two dozen boards, including the Governor’s Child Abuse Prevention Board, Worcester Community Council and the Hanover Theatre for the Performing Arts.

He and Pam, his wife of nearly 44 years, have four daughters and nine grandchildren. He also continues to challenge himself personally. At 40, he ran his first Boston Marathon; at 50, he rowed in a Head of the Charles competition, and at 60, he climbed Mount Kilimanjaro with one of his daughters.
Most Reverend Robert J. McManus, S.T.D.
Doctor of Divinity

Rev. Robert J. McManus was named the Fifth Bishop of Worcester in 2004 by Pope John Paul II. A native of Providence, R.I., and Catholic school graduate, Bishop McManus studied for the priesthood at Our Lady of Providence Seminary, earned bachelor’s and master’s of arts degrees at The Catholic University of America, and a master’s of divinity degree at the Toronto School of Theology. He also holds licentiate and doctoral degrees in sacred theology from The Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. He chairs the Subcommittee on Health Care for the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) and is a member of the USCCB’s committees on doctrine and pro-life.

Bishop McManus oversees the nearly 150 active priests in more than 100 parishes and missions in Central Massachusetts. He leads a diocese that includes more than 300,000 Catholics and more than 8,000 students in 31 Catholic schools, as well as three Catholic colleges. In partnership with Assumption College and Clark University, the bishop established the Holy Name of Jesus House of Studies in 2007 to provide a residence, and English language and cultural studies for diocesan-sponsored international seminarians and for American college students discerning vocations.

Ordained to the priesthood in 1978, Bishop McManus served as associate pastor in several Providence-area parishes through 1984. Concurrently, he was the Catholic chaplain at the Community College of Rhode Island from 1982 until 1984 when he left to pursue advanced theological studies in Rome until 1987. While still a doctoral student, he was named director of the diocesan Office of Ministerial Formation. The following year, he returned to the Providence diocese and was named diocesan vicar for education.

In 1990, Bishop McManus assumed additional responsibilities as theological consultant and editorial writer for The Providence Visitor newspaper. He was appointed a Prelate of Honor to His Holiness and made a monsignor in 1997. He was named rector of Our Lady of Providence Seminary in 1998, and ordained as Titular Bishop of Allegheny and Auxiliary Bishop of Providence the following year.

James A. Welu
Doctor of Fine Arts

James Welu, director emeritus of Worcester Art Museum, served as the museum’s director for 25 years until 2011. Welu’s tenure was distinguished by the many initiatives he launched to elevate the visibility of the museum, attract a broader audience and grow its resources. He personally organized exhibitions of artists, such as Judith Leyster, and added works by major masters, including Andrea del Sarto. He improved the display of the museum’s permanent collection, considered one of the finest in the country, and immersed the museum and himself in the Worcester community. He also significantly increased the enrollment of the museum’s school, which has grown from 120 students in 1970 to more than 7,000 today.

A scholar of 17th-century Dutch and Flemish art, Welu joined the museum’s staff in 1974 as assistant curator. He was promoted to chief curator, and curator of European Art, among other positions, before being named the museum’s director in 1986. A native Iowan, he was a professional artist and taught studio art in college before continuing his studies in art history. Welu was awarded an undergraduate degree from Loras College in 1966; earned master’s of arts and master’s of fine arts degrees from the University of Notre Dame, in 1967 and 1968 respectively, and completed a doctorate in art history at Boston University in 1977. In addition, he has received honorary degrees from the College of the Holy Cross (2008), Loras College (2009), and Clark University (2010). He has taught at Clark University and St. Mary-in-the-Woods College.

Welu has received many honors for his work with the museum and the community, including the 2011 ARTS Worcester Art Award, the 2010 Worcester Telegram & Gazette Visions Cultural Enrichment Award and the 2010 Friend of Art Education Award from the Mass Art Education Association, among others. In addition to publishing many scholarly papers, he has served as president of the Association of Art Museum Directors, chaired the Accreditation Commission of the American Association of Museums, and served on the advisory council for the Princeton University Art Museum and Notre Dame’s Snite Museum of Art. Active in many Worcester community organizations, he is writing a history of Worcester Art Museum.
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Laura Ann Tremaglio, History; Elementary Education
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cum laude - white cord
magna cum laude - blue cord
summa cum laude - gold cord
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*ASL* Tara J. Cushing; *summa cum laude*
*ASL* Marianne DeVries; *cum laude*
*ASL* Joseph P. Heap; *cum laude*
*ASL* Iris S. Kerxhalli; *cum laude*
Ursula Kokosinski
Kelley M. O’Connor
*ASL* Mandy E. O’Reilly *
Antonio M. Recalde
*ASL* Melissa M. Thompson; *cum laude*

**BACHELOR OF LIBERAL STUDIES**

*ASL* Christof M. Chartier; *cum laude*

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN LIBERAL STUDIES**

*ASL* Mary M. Willis

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN SOCIAL SCIENCES**

Derly Maria Benitez

*ASL* Ana Carpi *
Eric Hinojosa

*ASL* Laura Elizabeth Hunter; *magna cum laude*
Eric Jon Keefe; *magna cum laude*

*ASL* Diane Elizabeth LaRoche; *summa cum laude*
*ASL* Sole Esperancia Phanor; *cum laude*
*ASL* Pamela Marie Wante; *summa cum laude*

**ASSOCIATE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

*ASL* Erik J. Aho; *magna cum laude*
Kevin W. Mulligan; *summa cum laude*

**ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN SOCIAL SCIENCES**

Lisa C. Darling; *cum laude*
Michelle Morrissey; *magna cum laude*

*ASL* Shelley Lynn Walsh *

*ASL - members of Alpha Sigma Lambda, the National Honor Society for Continuing Education and Lifelong Learning

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Kyra H. Berube
Gena R. Bevilacqua
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Ayon Bose
Alyssa Beth Brewer
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Philip A. Benvenuti
Amanda H. Bogen
Sarah E. Buckley
Catherine R. Cameron
Maria Michelina Carigliano
William M. Carney
Gregory A. Childs
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Steven A. Cole
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Vivian A. Gyimah
Jaimie Elizabeth Hord

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Mohannad A. Younes

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Craig Robert Nichols
Yeonjoo Son

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The Assumption College Mace

In medieval times the mace was used as a deadly war club. Later it became a symbol of authority, and in the context of an academic community, it has often signified teaching authority.

At Assumption College, education promotes self-discovery, but the true discovery of self must first take into account one’s own nature and purpose. The symbolism of the mace reflects the simple but essential elements that make for a full and responsible consideration of self, within the broader context in which there can be a full blossoming of the individual.

An education at Assumption nurtures the growth of specific habits or, more precisely, virtues. These include: the Intellectual Virtues, which guide the student to truth; the Moral Virtues (prudence, justice, fortitude and moderation) which enable a person to lead a good life; and, most important of all, as Saint Paul and Saint Augustine would say, the Theological Virtues (faith, hope and charity), which lead the Christian to ultimate happiness. The Latin lettering on the three bands of the sterling node states the thrust of these essential virtues: Intelligencia Adducitur Veritatem; Voluntas Adducitur Bonum; Cor Adducitur Amorem. The staff could be considered a lignum vitae (tree of life), from which the virtues spring. The three upper branches of ebony and gold represent the virtues and their impact upon everyone at the College, symbolized by the multifaceted fluorite stone.

At Assumption, it is the community’s shared vision that fosters a full flowering of the individual. The three blossoms of gold from the blue fluorite represent the individual coming to full maturity in Christ, in accord with the College’s motto: “Until Christ be formed in you.”

The Assumption College Mace was conceived, designed, created and given as a gift to the College by Paul A. Cavanagh of Greenville, Rhode Island.
The academic garb comes from the 12th and 13th centuries when most students and teachers were clerics and had taken at least minor holy orders. The assignment of colors to certain faculties, a much later development, was standardized in the United States in the late 19th century. White was assigned to arts and letters; red, a traditional color of the church, was assigned to theology; green, for herbs, went to medicine; purple, the color of emperors, went to law; and golden yellow, standing for wealth and alchemy, went to the sciences. Because philosophy means the love and pursuit of wisdom, in the case of the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), dark blue represents the mastery of the discipline of learning and scholarship in any field for which the degree is conferred rather than in the discipline of philosophy alone.

Gowns vary by degree. The bachelor’s gown has pointed sleeves. The master’s gown has oblong sleeves, the rear of which are cut square and the front of which are cut in arcs. Both the bachelor’s and master’s gowns are untrimmed. The doctor’s gown has bell-shaped sleeves and is faced down the front with black velvet. Three bars of velvet cross each sleeve. Often the bars are black, but they may also be in the color distinctive to the discipline in which the degree has been conferred.

In all cases, the exterior of the academic hood is black, and the interior is lined with the official color or colors of the institution that conferred the degree. The bachelor’s hood is three feet in length; the master’s is three and one-half feet; and the doctor’s is four feet. The doctor’s hood alone has panels at the sides. The edges of the hoods are velvet, and are two inches, three inches and five inches for the bachelor’s, master’s and doctor’s degrees, respectively. The color of this trim is indicative of the subject to which the degree pertains.

The mortar board cap may be made of soft or hard material and, as its name suggests, symbolizes the role of learning in building individual and shared futures. The tassel is either black or the color appropriate to the subject, with the exception of the doctor’s tassel, which may be gold.

For all academic purposes, including trimmings of doctors’ gowns, edging of hoods and tassels of caps, the colors associated with different disciplines are as follows:

- Agriculture .............................................. maize
- Arts, Letters and Humanities ....................... white
- Commerce, Accountancy and Business .......... drab
- Economics ................................................ copper
- Education .................................................. light blue
- Fine Arts .................................................... brown
- Law ................................................................. purple
- Library Science ............................................. lemon
- Medicine ..................................................... green
- Music .............................................................. pink
- Oratory ......................................................... silver gray
- Philosophy .................................................... dark blue
- Physical Education ........................................ sage green
- Science ......................................................... golden
- Theology ...................................................... scarlet

The above text is adapted from *American University and Colleges*, 16th ed. (New York, 2001), pp. 1859-61.
Assumption College Alma Mater


1. Pledge we our loyalty to Assumption College—
   Whose dedication in pursuit of knowledge—
   Withstands the test of time, aids us in our onward climb
   In search of truth and light.

2. Our hearts will always be with Assumption College—
   Her banners waving with outstanding courage—
   Call for fidelity and protect a spirit free—
   Long live the blue and white—!

Written upon the occasion of the 80th Anniversary
of the founding of Assumption College.