71st Commencement
Class of 2021 Undergraduates
Thursday, May 13, 2021
ACADEMIC PROCESSION

CHIEF MARSHAL AND MACE BEARER
Susan Marine, Ph.D.
President of the Faculty Senate and Chief Marshal,
Associate Professor, Higher Education

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Associate Vice President of Student Affairs, Dean of Students

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Led by Rev. Raymond Dlugos, O.S.A., Ph.D.
Vice President for Mission and Ministry

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The audience is requested to stand during the Academic Procession, Invocation and National Anthem, and to remain in place until the Academic Procession leaves at the end of the exercises.
PROGRAM

PRESIDING
Christopher E. Hopey, Ph.D., President

PROCESSIONAL
Pomp and Circumstance (Elgar), Merrimack College Concert Band

OPENING OF THE EXERCISES
Susan Marine, Ph.D., President of the Faculty Senate and Chief Marshal, Associate Professor, Higher Education

INVOCATION
Rev. Raymond Dlugos, O.S.A., Ph.D., Vice President for Mission and Ministry

NATIONAL ANTHEM
Jacqueline LaRivee ’21

WELCOME
Christopher E. Hopey, Ph.D., President

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS
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Samantha Frey ’21

HOMILY
Rev. Raymond Dlugos, O.S.A., Ph.D., Vice President for Mission and Ministry

HONORARY DEGREES
Doctor of Public Health
William Leahy, SJ

Doctor of Public Administration
Daniel Rivera

DEGREES IN COURSE
Presentation for Degrees
John “Sean” Condon, Ph.D., Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs

Conferral of Degrees
Christopher E. Hopey, Ph.D., President

Undergraduate Names Read By
Mark Allman, Ph.D., Associate Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education and Faculty Affairs

April Bowling, Sc.D., Assistant Professor, Health Sciences

AWARDS
Edward G. Roddy, Jr. Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award
Presented by John “Sean” Condon, Ph.D., Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs

CLOSING REMARKS
Christopher E. Hopey, Ph.D., President

MERRIMACK COLLEGE ANTHEM
Laura Moore Pruett, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Music

BENEDICTION
Rev. Raymond Dlugos, O.S.A., Ph.D., Vice President for Mission and Ministry

CLOSING OF THE EXERCISES
Susan Marine, Ph.D., President of the Faculty Senate and Chief Marshal, Associate Professor, Higher Education

RECESSIONAL
Trumpet Tune (Purcell), Merrimack College Concert Band
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**William P. Leahy, S.J.** a member of the Wisconsin Province of the Society of Jesus, became the 25th president of Boston College in July, 1996. He came to Boston College from Marquette University, where he served as a faculty member for six years and then as Executive Vice President. Father Leahy holds a Ph.D. in history from Stanford University, an M.A. in US history from Saint Louis University, and master’s degrees in divinity and sacred theology from the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley, California. He is the author of Adapting to America: Catholics, Jesuits and Higher Education in the Twentieth Century, as well as scholarly articles on religious and educational history in the United States. Father Leahy is a trustee of Santa Clara and Creighton universities.

**Daniel Rivera** is the President and CEO of MassDevelopment and the former Mayor of the City of Lawrence, Massachusetts. During his time as Mayor, the city saw significant commercial development, record new units of housing, and tens of millions of dollars invested in economic development planning and projects. Rivera’s focus on economic and community development as Mayor included investments in housing, job creation, downtown redevelopment, transit-oriented development and equity, infrastructure, brownfields redevelopment, placemaking, and quality-of-life improvements, and establishing professional, transparent, modern, and streamlined permitting and licensing processes.

Rivera was an invaluable member of the Baker-Polito Administration’s Reopening Advisory Board, bringing the municipal viewpoint to the group tasked with developing the Commonwealth’s strategy to reopen the economy during COVID-19, and the COVID-19 Vaccine Advisory Group. In 2017, Governor Baker tapped Rivera to serve on the newly established Latino Advisory Commission charged with addressing concerns of the Massachusetts Latino community and promoting economic prosperity and well-being.
Diploma Translation

The translation of the Merrimack College diploma from Latin to English is as follows:

Merrimack College

To all reading this document

Greetings in the Lord

The President, Faculty and Trustees of Merrimack College

by virtue of properly completing required studies on the recommendation of the faculty

and by the authority vested in us

by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts confer on

name of student

the degree of

name of degree

and grant freely all rights, privileges and honors pertaining to that degree.

In witness thereof we place the seal of the College.

Given in North Andover in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

date of degree

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ABOUT MERRIMACK COLLEGE

One of only two Catholic Augustinian colleges in the U.S., Merrimack College is a coeducational institution with approximately 5,500 undergraduate, continuing education and graduate students from 34 states and 36 countries, comprising schools of liberal arts, science and engineering, health sciences, education and social policy, and business.

The College's 220-acre campus is approximately 25 miles north of Boston in North Andover and Andover, Mass. Merrimack is a Master’s Colleges & Universities/Medium Programs institution in the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education.

MISSION AND VISION

OUR MISSION IS TO ENLIGHTEN MINDS, ENGAGE HEARTS, AND EMPOWER LIVES.

Inspired by the Catholic faith and the Augustinian tradition of seeking truth through inquiry and dialogue, our vision is to:

• Prepare students to adapt creatively to tomorrow’s realities through excellence in the liberal arts, sciences, and the professions;
• Build a community of scholars welcoming and respecting a diversity of backgrounds, experiences, beliefs, and perspectives;
• Cultivate the intellectual, moral, spiritual, physical, and personal awareness needed to make wise choices for life, career, and service;
• Encourage and support scholarly work that contributes to the wisdom on which society bases its decisions;
• Engage other educational institutions, industries, and agencies of social change in collaborative efforts fostering a just, peaceful, and sustainable world.
THE SEAL OF MERRIMACK COLLEGE

Drawing on our rich history, the modern shield of Merrimack College reinterprets elements from the original 1947 college seal. The shield includes four quadrants:

- The book with the words “Tolle Lege” (“take up and read”), the famous words connected with the conversion of Saint Augustine to Catholicism, proclaiming the College’s founding by the Order of Saint Augustine.
- Wavy pallets, to represent the “swift water” of the Merrimack Valley’s original Native Americans.
- The cross fleurette, from the coat of arms of the Archdiocese of Boston, in which Merrimack College is located. The cross fleurette refers to the French ancestry of Bishop Cheverus, the first Bishop of Boston (1810–1823).
- The symbolism of our colors: blue for loyalty (and the cold, rippling waters of the Merrimack River) and gold for wisdom (also the color of the papacy).
THE CEREMONIAL MACE

The mace carried in academic processions derives from medieval times in England when an official was taking office. At that time, the mace was a formidable weapon and was held ready by the mace bearer to protect the dignitary. From the sixteenth century in England and since colonial days in the United States, the mace has become a symbol of academic office and is carried by a distinguished member of the faculty.

The Merrimack College mace has a young history. It was fashioned for the 1986 Commencement by Cistercian Monks of the Holy Rood Guild at Saint Joseph’s Abbey in Spencer, Massachusetts. The monks are renowned craftsmen and designers of ecclesiastical vesture.

The Merrimack College mace is thirty-six inches long and is made of black walnut. The front of the mace carries the College’s hand-painted, gold-leafed seal. From the intricate coat of arms of the Order of Saint Augustine, the back of the mace is hand carved with an open book symbolizing the conversion of Augustine. On the left hand side of the book is a tongue of flame above a heart pierced with “the burning love of God.” An elegantly simple cross adorns the top of the mace.

Since 1986, the Merrimack College mace has been carried by the Chief Marshal at Commencement.

THE CEREMONIAL CROSS

The processional cross is expressive of the Augustinian longing for unity of our minds and hearts in God. It was designed by the Augustinian Contemplative Nuns at the Monastery of Our Holy Savior in Leccetto, Tuscany, Italy. Small replicas of this cross are given to Merrimack students engaged in service to others through Service Learning and the Alternative Break Programs as well as to those who participate in MORE, the Pellegrinaggio en Italia, and other programs that foster self-awareness and spiritual growth.
REGALIA

The origins of academic dress lie in fourteenth century England. The buildings frequented by medieval scholars were often cold and damp; long gowns (particularly with hoods to protect tonsured heads) may have been worn more for warmth than fashion.

The distinctive gown set the student apart from their fellow citizens. As late as the Civil War, students at American universities wore caps and gowns daily while in residence. Whatever the origin, academic regalia grew in diversity and splendor, with scholars displaying distinctive costume for different occasions and achievements. The result was a bewildering variety of designs.

An intercollegiate commission met at Columbia University in 1894 to establish a standard academic costume code, and over the years it has been revised by an official committee of the American Council on Education. The committee’s prescriptions, while regulating, still allow for great pageantry at formal academic events.

From the cap, gown, and hood, it is possible to distinguish the institution from which the wearer was graduated, the field of learning in which the degree was earned, and the level of the degree—bachelor, master, or doctoral.

The distinguishing feature of the black mortarboard cap, standard at most colleges and universities in the United States, is the color of the tassel—black for the holder of a bachelor’s or master’s degree, gold for a doctor’s degree or the governing officers of educational institutions.

The gown is normally black, and the gown’s cut and trim indicate the level of the degree held. The bachelor’s has long, pointed sleeves, while the master’s has oblong sleeves, open at the wrist, with the front part cut in an arc. The doctor’s sleeves are bell-shaped, with three bars of velvet, and the gown is trimmed with velvet down the front as well. The hood tells the most about its wearer. The length of the hood and width of the binding vary according to degree. The hood is lined with the official colors of the college. The color of the hood’s binding indicates the area of study in which the degree was granted. Students also wear other regalia, including cords signifying academic honors and stoles representing countries they studied in during their academic career.

At formal academic occasions, the President of Merrimack College also wears the Presidential Medal which incorporates the College seal.
O__ Mer-r-i-mack, how shall we hon-or you? With
mind and heart a-wa-kened to the truth. We shall build God's ci-ty in our-

selves and in our world, rea-ching out in ser-vice, our hearts a-fire with
love. The rest-less quest for wis-dom in the com-pa-ny of friends,
calls us ev-er on-ward 'til in God our hearts find rest. Our guides are faith and
rea-son on a path that yet un-folds, and come we will to wis-dom through

knowledge formed in love. O__ Mer-r-i-mack, how shall we hon-or you? With
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