



ST. JOSEPH BY-THE-SEA HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents:

The month of May is traditionally observed as the Month of the Blessed Mother. The Ladies of Charity, under the direction of Fr. McCarthy and Mrs. Bulone, will lead the school in the annual May Crowning on Thursday May 4th in the Our Lady of Grace Courtyard and we will have Mass for the whole school on Friday, May 5th, the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. Likewise, we will invite students to participate in a weekly recitation of the rosary on Tuesdays throughout the month like we did in October.

Since this is the hundredth anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima, the Holy See is granting a plenary indulgence to "the pious faithful who visit with devotion a statue of Our Lady of Fatima solemnly exposed for public veneration in any church, oratory or proper place during the days of the anniversary of the apparitions, the 13th of each month from May to October (2017), and there devoutly participate in some celebration or prayer in honor of the Virgin Mary." We will have a statue of Our Lady of Fatima solemnly exposed throughout the entire period in which the indulgence can be obtained.

I am proud to report that the Class of 2017 is doing extremely well with college admissions. Our graduates were accepted to American University, Binghamton University, Boston College, Boston University, Case Western Reserve University, Catholic University, Clemson University, Cornell University, Drexel University, Florida State University, Fordham University, Johns Hopkins University, Loyola University, Michigan State University, Muhlenberg College, New York University, Northeastern University, Pennsylvania State University, Quinnipiac, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rutgers University, Skidmore College, Stony Brook University, Steven's Institute of Technology, Syracuse University, The College of New Jersey, The George Washington University, The Ohio State University, University of Alabama, University at Buffalo, University of Connecticut, University of Dallas, University of Delaware, University of Maryland College Park, University of Miami, University of Minnesota, University of North Florida, University of Notre Dame, University of Pittsburgh, University of Vermont, Villanova University and Virginia Tech.

Once again, all of our graduates are earning an Advanced Regents Diploma. In addition, 36 of those graduates have earned an Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors by scoring 90 or better on their exams. 31 of them earned it with a Master in Math Endorsement and 7 earned it with a Master in Science Endorsement. We are all indebted to our Director of Guidance Mrs. Lauren Prospero, our Director of College Placement Mrs. Alexis Petruzzelli, Ms. Nicole Durante and Ms. Kaitlin Moriarty for facilitating these stellar achievements. We are extremely proud of the Class of 2017 and wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors.

On Wednesday May 31st we will induct our juniors into the National Honor Society at 7:30 P.M. in Gaffney Auditorium. If you have not yet seen *The Music Man*, it runs Thursday May 4, Friday, May 5, and Saturday, May 6 at 7:30 PM. Tickets are available at the door or on the school website under events.

In an effort to showcase our school to potential students, we are hosting a Field Day/BBQ for seventh graders on Monday May 22nd on our Cafeteria Patio. All seventh graders are welcome so spread the word.

Sharing in the joy of the Risen Lord, I am

Faithfully In Christ,

Fr. Michael Reilly
Principal