Welcome Back, Everybody!

Loyola’s Mass of the Holy Spirit was held on Friday, September 7th, 2018, at 11:30 a.m. in the Church of Saint Ignatius Loyola. Principal celebrant Rev. James Carr, S.J., was assisted by concelebrant Rev. Michael Sehler, S.J., Jesuit schools throughout the world begin the year with the Mass of the Holy Spirit.
Welcome Class of 2022

All hail the Class of 2022 as you take your rightful place here at Loyola. You are ready to make your mark at Park and 83rd. But what kind of class will you be? Awesome, no doubt. But as you ascend the heights of awesome-ness, beware a few pitfalls.

1. Don’t go with anyone to the swimming pool. We don’t have one, so heaven knows where you’re really going.
2. Don’t look for the “secret elevator.” We don’t have one of those, either. We don’t. We really don’t. It isn’t at the bottom of the stairs behind that door in the corridor below the administrative wing across from the Admissions Office.
3. If someone runs up to you in the Commons and asks, “Quick! What year is it?” and then when you tell them they run away screaming, “It worked! It really worked!” don’t fall for that one either. It’s been done. It’s old.
4. Don’t buy any tickets to next week’s school football game. Especially ones with misprints (i.e., Loyola School) that were printed on the back of an old announcement sheet. You’ll arrive at Icahn Stadium (i.e., Ican Stadium) on Randall’s Island and be disappointed. The only sports currently in season are soccer and volleyball and cross country.
5. Guard your locker combination with your life. Don’t give it out to anyone, and don’t scream it across the Commons to your bff. Devious minds are writing it down.
6. If you notice in class that Dr. Meade is wearing a scarf that looks a lot like the one you left in your open locker, most likely it is yours. When you go to your locker it will be empty and you’ll have to retrieve your possessions from Mr. Sullivan. Oh, and the scarf from Dr. Meade. Lesson? Don’t leave your locker open and unattended.
7. If you arrive to Bio class only to find a hastily scribbled note on the door that reads, “Freshman Bio is meeting in the library,” think twice. Why would Bio meet in the library? Look for a nearby, snicker-group of silly-looking sophomores demonstrating their wise foolishness. They’re pretty obvious. And lame.
8. The owner of the Giants football team, Wellington Mara (who passed away in 2005), actually DID go to Loyola School. Truly a man for others, he invented the concept of revenue sharing among professional football teams, and is considered the greatest football owner in history. On the other hand, Giants quarterback Eli Manning is not sending his daughter here. She’s only six years old.
9. Don’t give out your Loyola email/computer password to anyone. If you log on to a laptop in the Tech Center and find that you can’t click on your icons, it means someone screen-captured your desktop, saved the picture somewhere you’ll never find it, and then set the desktop picture as your desktop background. Who’s sorry now?
10. Don’t wait until the night before the Biology test to start studying. Ask any sophomore. If he or she starts twitching and stuttering at the mere mention of Biology, worry not. They’ll be better in a few minutes.
11. The Senior Section in the Commons? Go right in. Sit right down. If you don’t value your life, that is. Maybe send a test-freshman in to see what happens?
12. The upcoming Field Day? The pictures will be on the Loyola website for four years.

So welcome, Class of 2022! Greatness awaits you.
Oh, and there’s a meeting in the Gannon for school today for all freshmen. Please be there promptly after the bell marking the end of 8th period. Thanks!
Graduation 2018

The Class of 2018 assembled in the Church of Saint Ignatius Loyola at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, June 1st, 2018, for its Commencement Ceremony.

Led by newly-elected Student Leader Steven Morris, carrying the Loyola banner, the graduates filed two-by-two down Loyola’s main staircase to the applause of the faculty, and turned down 83rd Street and onto Park Avenue for the traditional procession to the church.

The young ladies wore white gowns and carried bouquets of red roses, while the young men sported white tuxedos with red-rose boutonnieres.

The faculty followed, decked out in their academic robes, and were themselves followed by the coterie of intimates who would sit on the altar with the graduates: Ms. Mary Claire Bonner-Lagno, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Tony Oroszlany, President, Mr. Adam Lewis, Principal, and Mr. James Lyness, Dean of Academics.

The graduates marched down the main aisle, the traditional tune of Elgar’s “Pomp and Circumstance” soaring majestically from the pipes of the church’s landmark Mander organ, and stood at their seats, divided into two groups on either side of the sanctuary center.

The faculty also sat in the sanctuary, to the right by the Marian altar.

After the Invocation came the Welcome Address given by Amaya Cheek, ’18, who acknowledged the special talents of the graduates and expressed gratitude to all those who helped along the way, especially parents. “It is our families who have always been there at home to keep us going strong. Our Parents have always been there to show us love and support in good times and bad.”

Ms. Cerussi’s Commencement Address focused on transitions.

After a musical interlude, the graduates received their diplomas from Mr. Oroszlany, assisted by Mr. Lyness, as their names were read by Mr. Lewis.

The congratulatory moment was immortalized by a quick flash of the camera, followed by the conferring of awards and honors, culminating in the Farewell Address by Molly Marin, ’18, who likened future opportunities to doors, saying, “Today as we graduate, some doors might close, or even lock, but the big brown door of Loyola School will forever stay open.”

Mr. Lewis then gave the Principal’s Remarks. After the Benediction, the graduates processed out to the strains of Charles-Marie Widor’s Toccata and into Alumni Gymnasium to form a receiving line for faculty, family, and friends.

Sudoku Puzzle

Fill the grid with numbers 1 to 9 so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9, without repeating any numbers.

Today’s puzzle courtesy of http://www.printablepuzzles.net

High school graduation ceremonies mark the end of students’ childhoods and the beginning of their young-adult lives. Some will go on to college, some will enter the full-time workforce and some will travel. Commencement ceremonies typically include several traditional rituals, such as the reading of the student’s name upon conferment of the diploma, which is followed by the student’s walk to receive the diploma. Pictured here is Loyola’s graduating Class of 2018, in the school chapel prior to Commencement.
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