



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 6th in the Our Lady of Grace Courtyard and we will have Mass for the students on Monday, May 10th. Likewise, we will invite students to participate in a weekly recitation of the rosary on Thursdays throughout the month like we did in October. We will have a statue of Our Lady of Fatima solemnly exposed throughout the month of May.

The seniors will have a Baccalaureate Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea on Friday, June 4 at 7PM. Current restrictions will make it open only to the graduates. The graduation ceremony will take place on Saturday, June 5 at 9AM in our football stadium and will allow us to give each student two tickets for his/her parents. If restrictions are eased, we will respond accordingly.

For underclassmen, the state is offering Regents exams in four subjects: Algebra, Living Environment, English, and Earth Science. Our juniors have already earned the exemption from the English Regents in January. Remote students are not required to take the Regents exams and students who take the exams earn the exemption regardless of the score. So there is really no point in offering the exams this year if every student earns an exemption.

Therefore, the final day of classes will be Tuesday, June 8. Final exams in each subject will be taken remotely and will begin on Wednesday, June 9 according to the following schedule:

Wednesday, June 9: Theology and Foreign Language

Thursday, June 10: English

Friday, June 11: History

Monday, June 14: Mathematics

Tuesday, June 15: Science

Wednesday June 16 & Thursday, June 17: Rating Days and iPad Collection

Friday, June 18: Report Cards for students who have fulfilled their academic and financial obligations.

I am very proud of the success our students are enjoying despite these unprecedented circumstances. God willing, we will be able to begin a new school year normally in September of 2021

Please also know that Fr. McCarthy, Fr. Naccarato, and I are praying for you and your family during this difficult time and I will continue to update you as the situation develops.

Faithfully in Christ,

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Principal