

# **Celebrating the Class of 2020**

## **Senior Parent Town Hall**

1. Welcome & Prayer - Tom Bednar, President
2. Introductions - Karen Booth, Principal, Monica Guarisco, Moderator

Present- Board of Directors Executive Committee

Jude Schubert, Board, Chair, Marianne Breen, Board Vice-Chair, S.Jeanne Hagelskamp, SP Liaison

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## **Virtual Ceremonies**

Virtual Ceremonies Mirroring Traditional Ceremonies

Video

Social Media

## **Ceremonies that Maintain Social Distancing Guidance**

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# Virtual Ceremonies



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Schools can hold an online virtual ceremony similar to traditional graduation ceremonies in terms of commencement speakers and any acknowledgements of awardees. Viewing information can be disseminated to the graduates and their families.

Guerin Prep plan for May 21 with recorded Baccalaureate Mass.

# Videos



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Ask graduates to send individual videos with short messages to their graduating classmates. This, with recorded speeches by invited speakers, creates a longer film highlighting the graduates' school experiences and provides a long-term memento.

# Social Media



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Highlight graduates on social media each day with special hashtags that allow for family, friends, and community members to congratulate individual students (who agree to participate) with photos and messages.

Guerin Prep has been posting student college announcements.

# Drive-in



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Students, and only their immediate family members who are staying at home together, should arrive and remain in cars for the entire ceremony. Before or after the ceremony, students may exit their cars individually, in their cap and gown if available, to have photos taken so long as social distancing requirements are followed. These ceremonies can be done at drive-in movie theaters, school parking lots, stadium parking lots, or other large parking lot venues that could be exclusively used for the graduation event.

# Drive-through



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Students, and only their immediate family members who are staying at home together, should arrive in waves and leave after their individual recognition. Students may exit the car individually, in their cap and gown if available, to have a photo taken. These events will require precise scheduling, traffic control, and school safety personnel, etc. and may be appropriate for small to medium-sized graduating classes in less trafficked areas.

# Individualized Ceremony at School



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Individual students may come to the school at prearranged times to walk across a stage in their cap and gown and have a photo taken. This may also be coordinated with time for students to pick up any personal belongings at the school. All efforts must be made to ensure social distancing and prevent mass gatherings of people.

# Individualized Ceremony at Home



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Visit each graduate's home, while remaining outside and at least six feet away, to congratulate and take photos of each graduate in their cap and gown and holding their diploma. This type of recognition may need to be conducted over the course of several days depending on the class size.

# Input from Parents

Thoughts, concerns, preferences.

Volunteers?

Survey.