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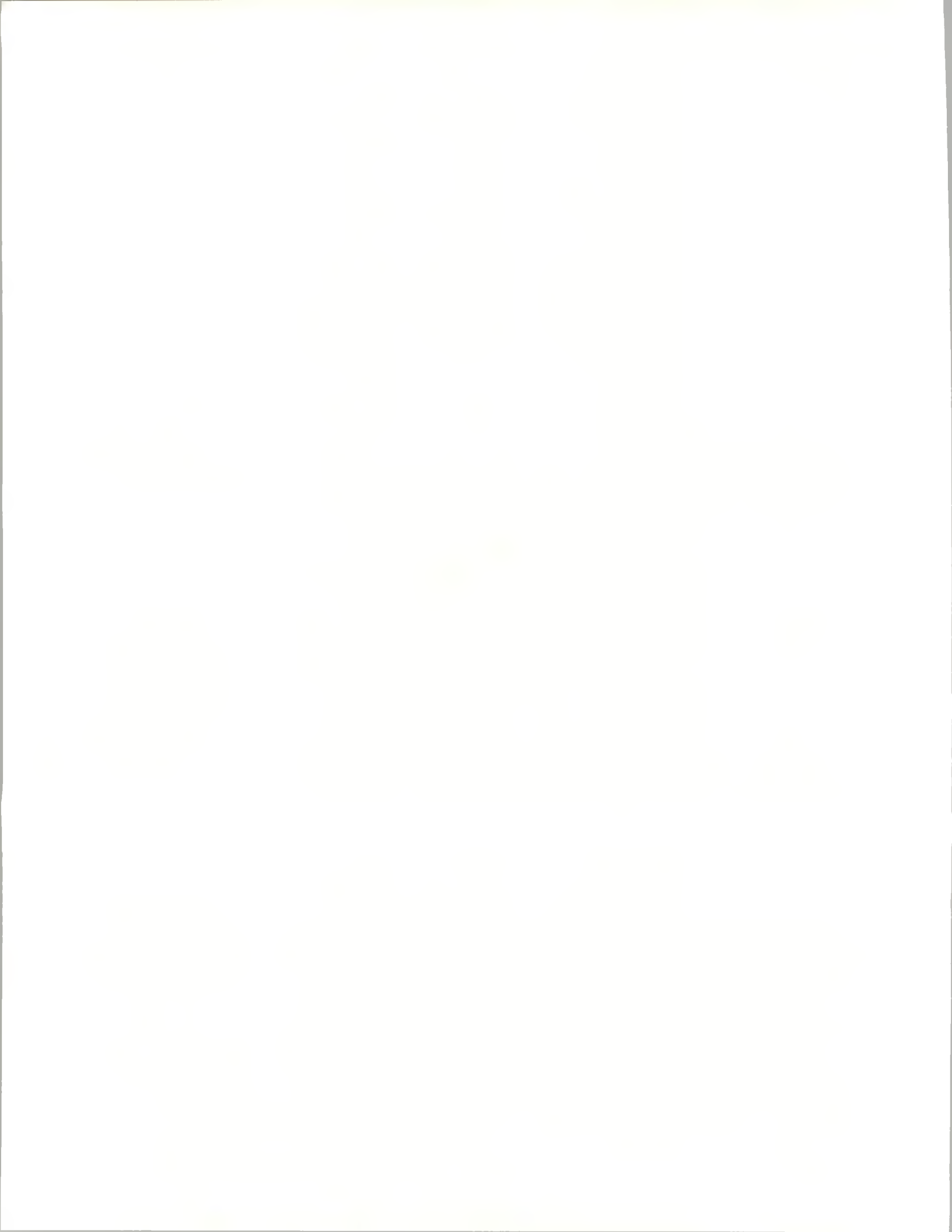
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RECESSIONAL (Trumpet Voluntary)	JOHN STANLEY
<i>Musicians: Crosstown Brass Quintet</i>	<i>Vocalists: Lorena Aguilar, James Cahill, Karen Marie Orzechowski, Kaitlyn Elizabeth Roche, Nicola Maria White</i>

National Anthem

THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER

Oh, say, can you see,
 By the dawn's early light
 What so proudly we hailed
 At the twilight's last gleaming?
 Whose broad stripes and bright stars,
 ThrO' the perilous fight
 O'er the ramparts we watched,
 Were so gallantly streaming.
 And the rockets' red glare,
 The bombs bursting in air,
 Gave proof through the night
 That our flag was still there.
 Oh, say, does that star-spangled
 Banner yet wave
 O'er the land of the free
 And the home of the brave?

— Francis Scott Key

Alma Mater

GLORY LA SALLE

Above Explorers valiant,
 Here under thine eyes,
 Thy blue and gold banners
 Unfurl 'neath the skies!

Chorus:

La Salle, La Salle, thy glory,
 Thy triumphs we praise!
 Thy name in song forever
 Shall we proudly raise!

Thy sons and daughters standing
 Await thy command,
 Thou fortress of faith
 In our God and our land!

Chorus:

La Salle, La Salle, thy glory,
 Thy triumphs we praise!
 Thy name in song forever
 Shall we proudly raise!

— Daniel J. Rodden

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Honorary Degree

John W. O'Malley, S.J.

Doctor of Humane Letters

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Margaret McGuinness, Ph.D.

Professor and Chair, Religion Department

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John W. O'Malley, S.J., is a renowned specialist in the religious culture of early modern Europe, particularly Italy. He is a university professor in the Theology Department at Georgetown University, an award-winning author, an in-demand lecturer, and a Roman Catholic priest and member of the Society of Jesus.

A native of Ohio, Fr. O'Malley earned his bachelor's degree in classics and his master's degree in history from Loyola University Chicago and his doctorate in history from Harvard University. His best-known book is *The First Jesuits* (1993), which has been translated into 10 languages and won the Jacques Barzun Prize for Cultural History from the American Philosophical Society and the Philip Schaff Prize from the American Society for Church History. Among many other books, essays, and articles, he is also the author of *Praise and Blame in Renaissance Rome* (1970), which received the Marraro Prize from the American Historical Association; *Trent and All That* (2000), which received the Roland Bainton Prize from the Sixteenth Century Studies Conference; and *Four Cultures of the West* (2004), which has been translated into Italian under the sponsorship of the University of Milan and into Chinese under the sponsorship of the University of Taiwan.

Fr. O'Malley has lectured widely in North America and Europe on both professional and more popular topics. He has held fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the American Council of Learned Societies, the American Philosophical Society, Villa I Tatti (the Harvard University Center for Italian Renaissance Studies in Florence), and the American Academy in Rome (Prix de Rome). He is a past president of the American Catholic Historical Association and the Renaissance Society of America, and he has been elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the American Philosophical Society, and the Accademia di san Carlo of the Ambrosian Library in Milan, Italy.

In addition to a number of honorary degrees, Fr. O'Malley was awarded the Johannes Quasten Medal from The Catholic University of America for distinguished achievement in religious studies. He has received lifetime achievement awards from the Society for Italian Historical Studies, the Renaissance Society of America, and the American Catholic Historical Association.

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Notes on Academic Dress

The history of academic dress begins in the early days of the oldest universities. A statute of 1321 required all “Doctors, Licentiate, and Bachelors” of the University of Coimbra to wear gowns. In England during the second half of the 14th century, the statutes of certain colleges forbade “excess in apparel” and prescribed the wearing of a long gown. It is still a question whether academic dress finds its sources chiefly in ecclesiastical or in civilian dress. Gowns may have been considered necessary for warmth in the unheated buildings used by medieval scholars. Hoods may have served to cover the tonsured head until superseded for that purpose by the skullcap. The cap was later displaced by a headdress similar to ones now recognized as “academic.” European institutions continue to show great diversity in their specifications of academic dress. However, when American colleges and universities adopted a system of academic apparel a half-century ago, a code was devised for all to follow.

Gowns—The gown for the bachelor’s degree has pointed sleeves and is worn closed. The gown for the master’s degree has an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist, with the sleeve base hanging down in the traditional manner. The rear part of the sleeve’s oblong shape is square cut and the front part has an arc cut away. It may be worn open or closed. The gown for the doctor’s degree has bell-shaped sleeves and may be worn open or closed. Bachelor’s and master’s gowns have no trimmings, but the doctor’s may be faced on the front with black or colored velvet and with three bars of the same across the sleeves. If color is used, it is the color distinctive of the subject to which the degree pertains, and it matches the edging or binding of the hood.

Hoods—Hoods are lined with the official color or colors of the college or university conferring the degree. The binding or edging of the hood is the color indicative of the subject to which the degree pertains, except that the doctor’s cap may have its tassel of gold thread.

Caps—Mortarboards are generally worn as part of the academic costume. The long tassel fastened to the middle point of the cap’s top is either black or the color appropriate to the subject. It is customary for degree candidates to wear the tassels on the right front side before degrees are conferred and to shift them to the left when the degrees are awarded. This custom is in some respects a substitute for individual hooding.

For all academic purposes, including trimmings of doctors’ gowns, edgings of hoods, and tassels of caps, the colors associated with the different subjects are as follows:

Agriculture – Maize	Medicine – Green
Arts, Letters, Humanities – White	Music – Pink
Commerce, Accountancy,	Nursing – Apricot
Business – Drab	Oratory (Speech) – Silver Gray
Dentistry – Lilac	Pharmacy – Olive Green
Economics – Copper	Philosophy – Dark Blue
Education – Light Blue	Physical Education – Sage Green
Engineering – Orange	Public Administration – Peacock Blue
Fine Arts – Brown	Public Health – Salmon Pink
Forestry – Russet	Science – Golden Yellow
Journalism – Crimson	Social Work – Citron
Law – Purple	Theology – Scarlet
Library Science – Lemon	Veterinary Science – Gray

Adapted from “An Academic Costume Code and Ceremony Guide,” American Universities and Colleges (Washington, D.C.: American Council on Education, 1959)