Commencement Day is approaching quickly.

While it promises to be a wonderful day, your cooperation can make it even better.

Please take a moment to review this booklet. It contains important information about the University Commencement. If you have questions after reading the booklet, please visit fordham.edu/commencement, email commencement@fordham.edu, call the Office of the University Secretary at 718-817-3010, or contact one of the offices on the adjacent page.

We look forward to seeing you on Saturday, May 19!
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Important University Contact Information

**Accommodations for People with Disabilities**
Office of Disability Services
disabilityservices@fordham.edu
718-817-0655

**Alumni Relations**
forever.fordham.edu
alumnioffice@fordham.edu
212-636-6520

**Baccalaureate Mass Information**
Campus Ministry
fordham.edu/cm
Rose Hill | 718-817-4500
Lincoln Center | 212-636-6267
Westchester | 914-367-3420

**Senior Week Information**
Office for Student Involvement
fordham.edu/seniorweek
Rose Hill | 718-817-5860
seniorweekrh@fordham.edu
Lincoln Center | 212-636-6250
seniorweeklc@fordham.edu

**Deans' Offices**
For information about diploma ceremonies and award nights, contact the appropriate college or school:

Fordham College at Rose Hill
718-817-4700

Gabelli School of Business
Rose Hill | 718-817-4100
Lincoln Center | 212-636-7755

Fordham College at Lincoln Center
212-636-6350

Fordham School of Professional and Continuing Studies
Rose Hill | 718-817-4600
Lincoln Center | 212-636-6372
Westchester | 914-367-3303

**Enrollment Services**
fordham.edu/enrollment_services
718-817-3900
Caps and Gowns

Ordering Your Cap and Gown
Caps and gowns for all undergraduates are provided by the University. If you place your order online (fordham.edu/capandgown) before the **Wednesday, March 21** deadline, your cap and gown will be available at the events listed below, but only at the campus selected while ordering. Be sure to bring your email confirmation, along with your student ID card. When picking up your cap and gown, don’t forget to update your contact information with Alumni Relations. At the Rose Hill Graduate Salutes, Senior Week tickets will be available for pickup. Additionally, Rose Hill students may schedule their senior portraits during this time.

Please keep in mind that your student account must be paid in full or appropriate arrangements made before picking up your cap and gown. Also, you must have applied online to graduate through my.fordham.edu or have the permission of your dean.

If you did not preorder your gown online, you may still attend the Graduate Salutes at Lincoln Center or Rose Hill and receive a cap and gown on a first-come, first-served basis. (Extras will not be available at the Westchester distributions.)

Bachelor’s candidates are given keeper gowns and therefore do not return academic attire.

Graduate Salutes

**Lincoln Center Graduate Salutes**
Lowenstein Center, Second-Floor and Third-Floor Lounges
(Students begin in the Third-Floor Lounge)
Wednesday, April 25 | 5 – 7 p.m.
Thursday, April 26 | 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

**Rose Hill Graduate Salutes**
McGinley Center Ballroom and Campus Center Lounge
Monday, April 30 | 2 – 7 p.m.
Tuesday, May 1 | 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Late Distribution Times

If caps and gowns are not picked up at the Graduate Salutes or the Westchester distributions, they must be picked up at the Rose Hill campus on the following dates and times. A $10 late fee (cash only) will be charged to all who pick up their caps and gowns at the late distributions.

**Rose Hill Campus, McGinley Center Student Lounge (Basement Level)**
Thursday, May 17 | 4 – 7 p.m.
Friday, May 18 | 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 19 | 8 – 10 a.m.

Westchester Distributions
Room 204
Tuesday, May 1 | 3 – 7 p.m.
Wednesday, May 2 | 3 – 7 p.m.
Wearing Your Academic Attire

The gowns and colors of academic dress indicate the graduate’s level of academic accomplishment, discipline, and school/university affiliation. We ask for graduates’ cooperation in not modifying academic attire with personal items that may distract from the academic ritual.

The cut of the gown identifies the degree. The bachelor’s gown has pointed sleeves, while the master’s gown has oblong-cut sleeves. The doctoral gown has bell-shaped sleeves typically crossed with bands of velvet.

The length of the hood indicates the level of the degree. The color of the velvet border indicates the field of learning in which the degree was earned and includes white for arts, gold for science, and brown for fine arts. The inner lining of Fordham hoods is maroon, the University’s official color. For the academic procession, graduates carry the hood draped over the left arm with the color that represents the degree clearly visible. Candidates don their hoods after the president has conferred all degrees. The hood should be placed around your neck and shoulders so that the major portion hangs down the back and the velvet is up. The cord on the front of the hood should be fastened to your clothing. The bachelor’s cap is worn with the long point of the shell to the rear and the tassel you will receive to the left.

Caps and gowns should also be worn to Encaenia and to the Gabelli School of Business Awards Night for Rose Hill students on Thursday, May 17, as well as to the Gabelli School of Business Honors Ceremony for Lincoln Center students on Friday, May 18.

For any questions regarding academic attire, contact Steve Clarke from Herff Jones Inc. at thegraduateguy@aol.com or 516-223-2572.
University Commencement

Each candidate who has fulfilled the requirements for a degree is encouraged to participate in the University Commencement. Please note that degree recipients are required to wear caps and gowns.

Tickets are not required for admission to the Rose Hill campus or to the University Commencement ceremony on Edwards Parade on Saturday, May 19.

Assembly of Candidates

All graduates must be at the appropriate line-up site near Keating, Spellman, Tierney, and O’Hare Halls no later than 9:30 a.m. with their caps and gowns. (See pages 10-11 for your school’s or college’s location.) Signs will be posted that day to assist you. The Victory Bell sounds at 9:55 a.m., and the academic procession begins immediately thereafter. Please proceed under your faculty marshal’s direction. As the oldest of Fordham’s schools, Fordham College at Rose Hill leads the procession.

Fordham College at Lincoln Center graduates, when you arrive at the line-up area between O’Hare and Tierney Halls, check in and pick up your calling card prior to the start of the academic procession. The card is needed for you to participate in the diploma ceremony, so please do not lose it. Tables will be arranged in alphabetical order.
The University
Commencement Ceremony

After everyone has processed in, please rise for the invocation and remain standing throughout the presentation of the colors and playing of the national anthem.

Honorary degrees are then awarded to several candidates who will be announced at a later date. One of the honorary degree candidates will then address the degree candidates and their guests.

Next, the dean of each school in the University presents to the president a scroll containing the listing of names of candidates for degrees. Father McShane then asks all candidates for degrees and all faculty members to stand. After the conferral of degrees, all graduates are to put their hoods over their heads, don their caps, and be seated. One student representative from each school will be hooded by the dean and receive a diploma. The doctoral candidates are individually recognized by the president.

Father McShane then congratulates all of the graduates. Following a benediction and the singing of the Alma Mater, all students, except FCRH graduates, leave Edwards Parade.

Following their faculty marshals, FCLC graduates walk past the Cunniffe Fountain, turn left at Cunniffe House, and proceed directly to their seats on the Walsh Family Library Lawn.

Gabelli (bachelor’s candidates) students turn right out of Edwards Parade and follow their faculty marshals to their designated line-up area under the football stadium bleachers.

PCS students turn right out of Edwards Parade and walk with their faculty marshals to the Rose Hill Commons (Rooms 234 and 235) on the second floor of the McGinley Center.

Broadcast

The University Commencement ceremony is broadcast over radio station WFUV (90.7 FM) and at wfuv.org. You may view the University Commencement ceremony on Cable Channel 10 on the Rose Hill and Lincoln Center campuses and online at fordham.edu/commencement.
Diploma Ceremonies

At the conclusion of the University Commencement ceremony, graduates (except for FCRH graduates, who will remain on Edwards Parade) will process to their diploma ceremony locations. Graduates will be called up individually to receive their diplomas at these ceremonies. Graduates, please return immediately to your seat after receiving your diploma. This is a final courtesy to your classmates, and it will speed up the ceremony.

There will be a professional photographer from Island Photography (FCRH, FCLC, and Gabelli) or Grad Images (PCS) who will photograph each of the graduates as they receive their diploma from the dean. Students will receive proofs from the photographer and may order prints directly from the company. To contact the companies directly after Commencement, call Island Photography at 516-767-1234 or Grad Images at 800-261-2576.
Fordham College at Rose Hill
Edwards Parade
Graduates of Fordham College at Rose Hill remain in their seats while the other graduates leave Edwards Parade at the conclusion of the University Commencement ceremony. They will then be directed by faculty marshals to their assigned seats for the diploma ceremony.

Guests may remain in their seats or fill in empty seats in the audience section. However, guests will not be allowed to sit in the graduate seating section of Edwards Parade during the diploma ceremony.

Gabelli School of Business (Rose Hill and Lincoln Center Students)
Jack Coffey Field
Bachelor’s candidates in the Gabelli School of Business will turn right after leaving Edwards Parade and follow the faculty marshals to their designated line-up location under the football stadium bleachers.

Guests should proceed directly to seating in the football stadium after the University Commencement ceremony on Edwards Parade. Signs will direct you to accessible entrances to the stadium.

Fordham College at Lincoln Center
Walsh Family Library Lawn
Graduates of Fordham College at Lincoln Center will follow their faculty marshals past the Cunniffe Fountain and turn left at Cunniffe House. They will follow the roadway to the Walsh Family Library and take their seats on the lawn. The seats will be labeled by last name in alphabetical order. If you have not picked up your calling card by this time, you can do so by alerting a Commencement volunteer stationed to the left of the podium on the terrace. Guests should proceed directly to seating on the Walsh Family Library Lawn after the University Commencement ceremony on Edwards Parade.

During the distribution of diplomas, graduates ascend the terrace and hand the calling card to the student volunteer standing next to Dean Desciak at the podium. Graduates then process across the stage and receive their diploma from Father Grimes. After crossing the stage, each graduate has a professional photo taken. Graduates then return to their seats until all diplomas and awards are distributed and the ceremony concludes. At the end of the ceremony, the deans and faculty will remain on the terrace and greet the graduates and their guests.

Fordham School of Professional and Continuing Studies
McGinley Campus Center Lounge
Graduates of the Fordham School of Professional and Continuing Studies turn right after leaving Edwards Parade and proceed to the Rose Hill Commons (Rooms 234 and 235) in the McGinley Center. Faculty marshals will direct you to use the McGinley Center entrance by Murphy Field. Following the University Commencement ceremony on Edwards Parade, guests should proceed directly to seating in the lounge on the second floor of the McGinley Center.
Severe Weather

Because we do not have one indoor facility that is large enough to hold all of our graduates and guests, we will hold the University Commencement ceremony outside if at all possible.

Please be aware that if there is just a little rain or periodic showers, the ceremony will likely remain outside. Therefore, please plan ahead and carry an umbrella, wear sensible shoes, and bring a sense of humor.

If the University Commencement is moved inside, graduates and guests entering the campus after 8 a.m. will be informed at the entrance. We will also periodically run an announcement from the sound system on Edwards Parade. After 8 a.m., you may call the University at 800-280-7669 for a recorded announcement or check Fordham’s website at fordham.edu.

If a decision is made to conduct all ceremonies indoors, graduates and their guests should report to the following severe weather locations:

**Fordham College at Rose Hill**
Guests enter the Lombardi Fieldhouse through the side doors along the roadway between the McGinley Center and the Lombardi Fieldhouse; graduates assemble at the upper-level landing by the security desk entrance of the Lombardi Fieldhouse.

**Gabelli School of Business (Rose Hill and Lincoln Center Students)**
Guests report to the Martyrs’ Lawn Tent; graduates report to the first floor of Salice and Conley Halls.

**Fordham College at Lincoln Center**
Guests report to the Rose Hill Gymnasium; graduates line up in the area under the football bleachers.

**Fordham School of Professional and Continuing Studies**
Guests report to the McGinley Campus Center Lounge; graduates assemble in the Rose Hill Commons (Rooms 234 and 235) of the McGinley Center.

The University Commencement ceremony address and honorary degree presentations will be videocast to the locations listed above after the graduates process in to their severe weather locations. Diploma ceremonies for each college or school will begin immediately following the conclusion of the University Commencement ceremony.
Campus Map

University Commencement Line-up Area

A  Fordham College at Rose Hill

B  Gabelli School of Business (bachelor’s candidates)

C  Fordham School of Professional and Continuing Studies

D  Fordham College at Lincoln Center

E  Graduate School of Arts and Sciences

Graduate School of Education

Graduate School of Religion and Religious Education

School of Law

Diploma Ceremonies

1  Edwards Parade

2  Severe Weather Location: Lombardi Fieldhouse

3  Jack Coffey Field

4  Severe Weather Location: Martyrs’ Lawn Tent

5  McGinley Campus Center Lounge

6  Walsh Family Library Lawn

7  Severe Weather Location: Rose Hill Gymnasium

8  University Church

7  Rose Hill Gymnasium

9  Severe Weather Location: Fordham Prep Theatre

10  Keating First Auditorium
Travel Information

The University Commencement brings over 20,000 people to the Rose Hill campus, which makes parking a major challenge. Therefore, we strongly encourage the use of public transportation to Rose Hill on May 19. We are fortunate to have the Metro-North Harlem and New Haven line trains literally at our doorstep and recommend you consider the train if traveling from Manhattan, Westchester County, or Connecticut. For detailed schedule information on the Metro-North trains, visit the MTA website at mta.info/mnr.

Parking at Rose Hill

Limited complimentary parking will be available on the Rose Hill campus for Thursday and Friday evenings’ events, as well as on Commencement Day.

Parking will also be available free of charge at G&R Parking Garage (Fordham Plaza) on Commencement Day only. Enter on 189th Street between Washington and Third avenues (one block south of Fordham Road) and walk one block north to the Rose Hill campus through the Third Avenue or Bathgate Avenue entrances. Fordham College at Lincoln Center graduates and guests will find the garage at Fordham Plaza is closer to their diploma ceremony than the campus parking garage.

Parking Facilities at Lincoln Center

Please have your parking tickets stamped at the Lowenstein Center Lobby security desk to get discounted rates.

**Alfred Car Park, LLC (GGMC)**
161 W. 61st St. | Between Columbus and Amsterdam avenues | 212-397-8949

**Allied Garage**
425 W. 59th St. | Between Columbus and 10th avenues | 212-246-7220

**Central Parking**
345 W. 58th St. | Between Eighth and Ninth avenues | 212-582-7110

**Icon Parking**
20 W. 64th St. | Between Central Park West and Broadway | 212-724-6282

**Regent Garage**
45 W. 61st St. | Between Broadway and Columbus Avenue | 212-245-9594

**World Parking Garage**
1 Central Park West | at Broadway | 212-265-4199

Moving Out of the Residence Halls at Rose Hill

On Commencement Day, cars will not be allowed to drive on the campus roadways or park in front of the residence halls to move students out until all diploma ceremonies have ended at approximately 4 p.m. Due to the large number of pedestrians on campus, we must close the campus to all but essential vehicles before and during all ceremonies.
Directions to the Fordham University Rose Hill Campus

**By Metro-North:** From Grand Central Terminal (42nd Street and Lexington Avenue), take the Metro-North Commuter Railroad to the Fordham stop. The Metro-North trains leave Grand Central approximately every 20 minutes and arrive at Fordham 17 to 19 minutes later. From Connecticut or Westchester County, take Metro-North's New Haven or Harlem line to the Fordham stop. When you arrive at the Fordham station, exit left, and Fordham’s Third Avenue gate will be ahead on your left. For the Metro-North schedule, please visit mta.info/mnr.

**By Subway and Bus:** The subway leaves continuously throughout the day. To get to the Rose Hill campus from Manhattan, take the Bronx-bound orange D train from the Columbus Circle station and go to the Fordham Road stop in the Bronx. There, you can transfer to local bus service to Fordham University. The entire trip takes about an hour. For local bus service, take the Bx9, Bx12, Bx22, or Bee-Line 60 or 61 to the University.

**By Ram Van:** Limited first-come, first-served Ram Van trips will be available from the Lincoln Center campus to the Rose Hill campus. Vans will leave continuously from 7 to 11 a.m. from the Lincoln Center campus. After 11 a.m., vans will depart every hour on the hour until 11 p.m. Return van service to the Lincoln Center campus will leave continuously from the Rose Hill campus from 2 to 5:30 p.m. After 5:30 p.m., vans will depart from the Rose Hill campus every hour on the hour until 10 p.m. For more information, please call the Office of University Transportation at 718-817-4346. See the map on page 10 for the Ram Van pick-up/drop-off location at the parking garage at Rose Hill. Please visit fordham.edu/ramvan for more information.

**By Car:** If you are using a GPS or other navigation system, enter the following address for the main entrance of the Rose Hill campus: 2691 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, NY 10458.

- **From the Bronx River Parkway**, exit at Fordham Road. Follow the right lane, avoiding the underpass, to the first light. Turn right on Southern (Kazimiroff) Boulevard. At the next light, turn left into the University.
- **From the Hutchinson River Parkway**, exit at Pelham Parkway West. After passing the Bronx Zoo on the left, follow the right lane, avoiding the underpass, to the first light. Turn right on Southern (Kazimiroff) Boulevard. At the next light, turn left into the University.
- **From the New England Thruway (I-95)**, exit at 8C, Pelham Parkway West. After passing the Bronx Zoo on the left, follow the right lane, avoiding the underpass, to the first light. Turn right on Southern (Kazimiroff) Boulevard. At the next light, turn left into the University.
- **From the Major Deegan Expressway (I-87)**, exit at Fordham Road. Make a right turn onto Fordham Road and follow it (heading east) to the light at Southern (Kazimiroff) Boulevard. Go past the light and turn left onto the Boulevard. At the next light, turn left into the University.
- **From the Henry Hudson Parkway**, exit at Moshulu Parkway. Follow the Moshulu to the end and make a right on Southern (Kazimiroff) Boulevard. At the third light, turn right into the University.

For more detailed directions and maps, as well as subway, bus, and train information, visit fordham.edu/maps.
Hotel Information

Near Rose Hill Campus
Crowne Plaza White Plains Hotel
(19 miles from the Rose Hill campus)
66 Hale Ave., White Plains, NY 10601
914-682-0050

Doubletree Tarrytown Hotel
(16 miles from the Rose Hill campus)
455 South Broadway, Tarrytown, NY 10591
914-631-5700

Hampton Inn White Plains/Tarrytown
(16 miles from the Rose Hill campus)
200 W. Main St., Elmsford, NY 10523
914-592-5680

Hampton Inn & Suites Yonkers – Westchester
(7 miles from the Rose Hill campus)
559 Tuckahoe Road, Yonkers, NY 10710
914-963-3200

Hilton Westchester
(18 miles from the Rose Hill campus)
699 Westchester Ave.,
Rye Brook, NY 10573
914-939-6300

Hyatt Place New York/Yonkers
(7 miles from the Rose Hill campus)
7000 Mall Walk, Yonkers, NY 10704
914-377-1400

Marriott Residence Inn—New Rochelle
(9 miles from the Rose Hill campus)
35 LeCount Place, New Rochelle, NY 10801
914-636-7888

Marriott Residence Inn—White Plains
(15 miles from the Rose Hill campus)
5 Barker Ave., White Plains, NY 10601
914-761-7700

Radisson Hotel New Rochelle
(9 miles from the Rose Hill campus)
1 Radisson Plaza, New Rochelle, NY 10801
914-576-3700

Ramada Yonkers
(8 miles from the Rose Hill campus)
125 Tuckahoe Road, Yonkers, NY 10710
914-476-3800

Renaissance Westchester Hotel
(17 miles from the Rose Hill campus)
80 West Red Oak Lane
West Harrison, NY 10604
914-694-5400

Residence Inn New York
The Bronx at Metro Center Atrium
(3 miles from the Rose Hill campus)
1776 Eastchester Road, Bronx, NY 10461
718-239-3939

Westchester Marriott
(16 miles from the Rose Hill campus)
670 White Plains Road
Tarrytown, NY 10591
914-631-2200

Near Lincoln Center Campus
Hotel Belleclaire
250 W. 77th St. at Broadway
212-362-7700

The Empire Hotel
44 W. 63rd St. at Broadway
212-265-7400

Grand Hyatt New York
at Grand Central Terminal
109 E. 42nd St.
212-883-1234

New York Hilton Midtown
1335 Sixth Ave. between
West 53rd and West 54th streets
212-586-7000

Holiday Inn Midtown
440 W. 57th St. between
Ninth and 10th avenues
212-581-8100 or 800-465-4329

Hudson Hotel
358 W. 58th St. at Ninth Avenue
212-554-6000

Le Parker Meridien
119 W. 56th St. between
Sixth and Seventh avenues
212-245-5000

Residence Inn New York
Manhattan/Central Park
1717 Broadway between
54th and 55th streets
212-324-3774

Sheraton New York
811 Seventh Ave. at 53rd Street
212-581-1000

Please note that the hotels listed are not University-hosted housing accommodations. Providing hotel options is not intended to be a referral to any particular hotel, nor does Fordham endorse or recommend the selection of any particular property or location. It is expected that you will choose carefully the accommodations that best suit your needs.
Senior Week
Tuesday, May 15 – Friday, May 18
The Senior Week Committee and the Office for Student Involvement are proud to sponsor a variety of events for seniors in Fordham College at Lincoln Center, Fordham College at Rose Hill, and the Gabelli School of Business leading up to Commencement. The events listed below are open to the families of graduating seniors from those schools. For a complete list of events for graduating seniors, please visit fordham.edu/seniorweek.

Lincoln Center Events
Friday, May 18
Gabelli School of Business Honors Ceremony Night
3:30 p.m. | McNally Amphitheatre, 140 West 62nd Street
Honor the academic achievements of your distinguished peers. This ceremony recognizes the accomplishments of students in the Gabelli School of Business at the Lincoln Center campus who have excelled in both the academic and co-curricular arenas.

Note: Honors for Fordham College at Lincoln Center will be awarded at the diploma ceremony on Saturday, May 19.

Baccalaureate Mass
5 p.m. | Church of St. Paul the Apostle, 60th Street and Columbus Avenue
The Class of 2018 and their families gather to celebrate, remember, and look ahead. Give thanks for the many blessings of your college career and pray for blessings on your future journey. All are welcome.

Family Reception
6:15 p.m. | Skadden Conference Center, School of Law
Tickets: All seniors may request one complimentary student ticket and two complimentary guest tickets. Additional tickets are $10 each. Celebrate all you have achieved at Fordham with your family. This is a great opportunity for you to mingle with friends, faculty, and administrators before Commencement. Seniors may request two complimentary guest tickets in addition to their student ticket, and may purchase additional tickets during Senior Week sales. Tickets are required for admittance and valid proof of age is required to consume alcohol.
Rose Hill Events
Thursday, May 17

Gabelli School of Business Awards Night
7 p.m. | McGinley Campus Center Lounge
Honor the academic achievements of your distinguished peers. This night acknowledges the accomplishments of Gabelli students who have excelled both in the classroom and beyond. Join the faculty at 6 p.m. in the McGinley Center Ballroom for a pre-event reception. A reception also follows the ceremony.

Encaenia
7 p.m. | Rose Hill Gymnasium
Encaenia is one of Fordham College at Rose Hill's most treasured and colorful traditions. Modeled on the awards ceremonies of medieval universities, it weaves together reminiscences and hopes, and mixes in humor with the serious and noteworthy achievements of your classmates. A reception follows.

Friday, May 18

Baccalaureate Mass
6 p.m. (Music begins at 5:30 p.m.) | Rose Hill Gymnasium
The Class of 2018 gathers along with their families to celebrate, remember, and look ahead. Give thanks for the many blessings of your college career and pray for blessings on your future journey. All are welcome.

Parent Appreciation Dinner Dance
7:15 p.m. – Midnight | Martyrs’ Lawn
Ticket and pricing information will be posted to the Senior Week website in the coming weeks.
The Parent Appreciation Dinner Dance is a perfect way for seniors to thank the people in their lives who have supported them throughout their time at Fordham. With a buffet, live band, dancing, and an open bar (with valid proof of age), this event is always a grand celebration.
Senior Week Event and Ticket Guidelines for Lincoln Center and Rose Hill

• Lincoln Center Senior Week events are open to Fordham College at Lincoln Center and Gabelli School of Business—Lincoln Center seniors.

• Rose Hill Senior Week events are open to Fordham College at Rose Hill and Gabelli School of Business—Rose Hill seniors.

• Tickets are available to those seniors who graduated in February 2018 or will be graduating in May or August 2018.

• Senior Week officially begins after exams end on Tuesday, May 15 with several events for graduating seniors, including the Rose Hill Senior Ball ($145 per Rose Hill senior, $155 per guest) and the Lincoln Center Boat Cruise ($100 per Lincoln Center senior, $150 per guest). For a complete listing of events, visit fordham.edu/seniorweek.

• Tickets will be available for purchase online at fordham.edu/seniorweek on Wednesday, March 7. Check the Senior Week website for specific ticket sale information.

• No tickets will be available after Friday, April 27. Therefore, tickets will not be sold at the door at any event. Please plan ahead and buy your tickets early to guarantee admission, as many events sell out.

• Tickets are nonrefundable and nontransferable.

For a complete listing of events and additional information about Senior Week 2018, visit fordham.edu/seniorweek or email seniorweekrh@fordham.edu (Rose Hill) or seniorweeklc@fordham.edu (Lincoln Center).
Fordham Legacy
The University proudly recognizes families with a Fordham heritage. There are several unique opportunities for families to celebrate their Fordham legacy. Alumni families are recognized before the Parent Appreciation Dinner Dance at Rose Hill and at the Family Reception at Lincoln Center, and alumni parents are invited to join in the University Commencement procession.

Friday, May 18
Lincoln Center Family Reception
6:15 p.m. | Skadden Conference Center, School of Law
Join fellow Lincoln Center families as they celebrate the new members of the alumni community. All are invited to stop by the Office of Alumni Relations table for information about upcoming programs and events.

Rose Hill Legacy and Parents’ Leadership Council Reception
7 – 8 p.m. | Campbell Atrium, William D. Walsh Family Library
Fordham alumni families and members of the Parents’ Leadership Council are invited to join us for a special complimentary reception toasting the success of this year’s graduates—and their parents! The reception takes place before the Parent Appreciation Dinner Dance begins in full so families are able to attend both events. To learn more, or to register for this event, please visit fordham.edu/legacy.

Saturday, May 19
Legacy Commencement Procession and Sash Pick-Up
8:30 – 9:15 a.m. | Hughes Hall
Fordham alumni with a son or daughter graduating are invited to march in the University Commencement procession and be seated on the Terrace of the Presidents during the Commencement ceremony. Parents must register as space is limited. To do so, or to learn more, visit fordham.edu/legacy.
General Information

His Eminence Óscar Andrés Cardinal Rodríguez Maradiaga, S.D.B., Archbishop of Tegucigalpa, Honduras (above), addressed the Class of 2017. The 2018 University Commencement speaker will be announced on the Fordham website in the spring.

Alcoholic Beverages
Please do not bring beverages, alcoholic or otherwise, to the procession area, to Edwards Parade, or to the diploma ceremonies. Graduates found with beverages in their possession will be asked by faculty marshals to leave. To avoid any awkward situations, please inform your guests that alcohol is not allowed at the University Commencement or the diploma ceremonies.

Announcements
In April, each degree candidate will receive a downloadable announcement that can be printed or shared electronically. These announcements do not have to be presented for admission to the campus.

Personalized announcements may be purchased through Herff Jones (herffjones.com/college/fordham), Jostens (jostens.com), or at the Graduate Salutes in late April and early May.
Bookstore
The hours of the Fordham Bookstore, located in O’Hare Hall (next to the parking garage), are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Commencement Day. Bookstore items will also be available at the Bookstore Annex, near the Metro-North Station entrance to campus.

Cell Phones
Please turn off the sound on all cell phones during the procession and the ceremony as a courtesy to guests and graduates.

Diploma Frames
Diploma frames are available in the Fordham Bookstore or from Herff Jones (herffjones.com/college/fordham).

Emergency Services
In the event of an emergency requiring medical treatment, seek the assistance of uniformed security personnel who will contact emergency medical teams. In addition, registered nurses are on duty at the Health Center located in the basement of O’Hare Hall from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Commencement Day. (See map on page 10.)

Food Service
Food service is available in the McGinley Center from 7:30 a.m. until after the diploma ceremonies. Food and drinks are available at several other locations on campus as indicated in the University Commencement program.
Gifts and Messages
Because of the impossibility of delivery, the University cannot accept flowers, greetings, gifts, or telephone messages intended for graduates on Commencement Day.

Photos and Videotaping
The best opportunities for individual photos are at the diploma ceremonies, not the University Commencement. There is ample opportunity to take individual photos at the diploma ceremonies. In addition, there will be a professional photographer for Island Photo or Grad Images who will photograph each of the graduates as they receive their diploma from the dean. University policy forbids unauthorized commercial use of photographs or videotapes. At all times, we ask that individuals taking photos or videotaping be considerate of others in the audience.

Restrooms
Many campus buildings are open, and blue signs will direct you to restrooms. Ushers can also direct you to open facilities. Accessible restrooms are located in Dealy Hall, Freeman Hall, Hughes Hall, Houlihan Park, under the Jack Coffey Field bleachers, Larkin Hall, the McGinley Center, O’Hare Hall, and Walsh Family Library. Portable restrooms are also located between Campbell and Salice Halls.

People with Disabilities
All ceremony locations are accessible, and all accessible restrooms will be clearly marked. There is no designated wheelchair seating at the ceremonies. However, you can pull up your wheelchair to any row at the ceremonies for seating. Please note that Fordham is not able to provide wheelchairs for guests. The University Commencement ceremony will be videocast (rain or shine) in Keating First Auditorium, which is air-conditioned and accessible.

If someone with a physical disability is accompanying your group to the ceremonies, enter the campus through the Main Entrance on Southern (Kazimiroff) Boulevard, across from the New York Botanical Garden. (See map on page 10.) From there, you will be directed to the parking garage where there will be a golf cart tram station. The trams (which can hold a foldable wheelchair) will be running continuously throughout the day to and from the garage and all major ceremony locations. Reservations are not required for the trams, and all members of your party are welcome to ride the trams if space is available. People needing special assistance should be dropped off at the tram station while the rest of your group parks. As parking and ceremony seating is on a first-come, first-served basis, we recommend that you plan to arrive early.

Guests who need a sign language interpreter for the University Commencement or one of the diploma ceremonies should make arrangements at least two weeks in advance by contacting the Office of Disability Services at disabilityservices@fordham.edu. Please indicate in the email which ceremonies you will be attending.

If you have additional questions regarding disability needs for Commencement, please contact disabilityservices@fordham.edu.
Important Dates for the Class of 2018

Wednesday, March 7
Senior Week tickets go on sale at fordham.edu/seniorweek (See webpage for exact sale times)

Wednesday, March 21
Deadline to order cap and gown online (See page 2)

Wednesday, April 25 and Thursday, April 26
Lincoln Center Graduate Salutes (including cap and gown distribution) (See page 2)

Friday, April 27
Last day to purchase Senior Week tickets

Monday, April 30 and Tuesday, May 1
Rose Hill Graduate Salutes (including cap and gown distribution) (See page 2)

Tuesday, May 1–Wednesday, May 2
Westchester distribution of caps and gowns (See page 2)

Tuesday, May 15–Friday, May 18
Senior Week at Lincoln Center and Rose Hill (See pages 15–17)

Thursday, May 17–Saturday, May 19
Late cap and gown distribution for all graduates at Rose Hill campus only (Late fee will be charged) (See page 2 for times)

Thursday, May 17
Awards ceremonies for FCRH students (Encaenia) and Gabelli students at Rose Hill (Gabelli School of Business Awards Night) (See page 16)

Friday, May 18
Army and Navy ROTC Commissionings at Rose Hill
Awards ceremony for Gabelli students at Lincoln Center (Gabelli School of Business Honors Ceremony) (See page 15)
Lincoln Center Baccalaureate Mass and Family Reception (See page 15)
Rose Hill Baccalaureate Mass and Parent Appreciation Dinner Dance (See page 16)

Saturday, May 19
The University Commencement at Rose Hill with lineup of graduates at 9:30 a.m. and academic procession beginning at 10 a.m.; school diploma ceremonies begin immediately following the University Commencement (See pages 6–7)