

Wellspring for Living Stones

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The Madonna University mission is steadfast. The faculty and staff of the Mission Core Team would like to share resources rooted in the MU mission to instill Christian humanistic values, intellectual inquiry, a respect for diversity, and a commitment to serving others, to help guide our community through uncharted waters.

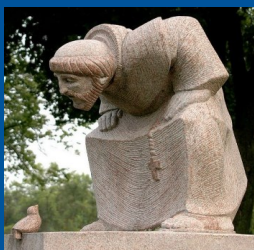
CONGRATULATIONS, STUDENTS!

The Mission Core Team could not be prouder of MU students. Your resilience, intelligence, and commitment have given us so much pride and joy in 2020—even amid challenges. Congratulations on a strong finish this semester!

Wishing you God's blessings as you head into finals

The life lessons learned during this historic pandemic along with your coursework will long be remembered. As the song says: "God's got the whole world in His hands..." Let us remember to pray for one another and look for opportunities to smell the flowers and talk to the birds in celebration of successfully ending Winter Term 2020!

from **Sister Nancy Marie Jamroz**,
Co-Director of the Center for Catholic Studies
& Interfaith Dialogue



"The difference between ordinary and extraordinary is that little extra."
—Jimmy Johnson

I want you to know how proud I am of all of you. You have risen to the challenge of this difficult time. You are all truly extraordinary!

from **Jesse Cox**,
Director of Campus Ministry

Yes, those times are bizarre, even scary, and you have been stressed and you feel tired and frustrated. But you know that all of this has an expiration date and the week of finals lasts only five days. So give it your best shot. You have been working hard all semester. You can do it and you will be successful!



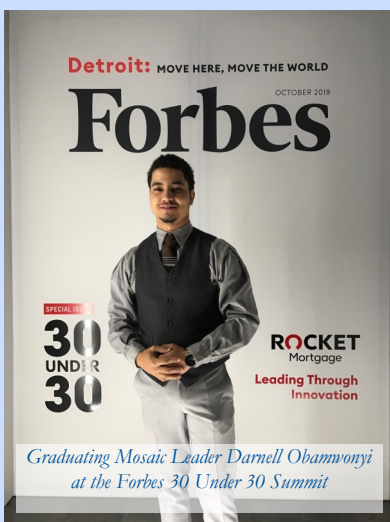
from **Andrew Domzalski**,
Professor and Chair of the Department of Humanities and
Co-Director, Center for Catholic Studies & Interfaith Dialogue

Lately I have leaned on the wisdom of Zadie Smith: "You are never stronger...than when you land on the other side of despair." Reach out to the Mission Core Team if you aren't sure how to "land." We are proud of you, and here for you!

from **Colleen McLellan**, Director of
Service-Learning & Civic Engagement

A Prayer of Remembrance and Hope is available [here](#).

The Mission Core team invites you to join the campus community, as we share this prayer while we are apart, each Monday at 12:00 PM.



"My wish for you is that you continue. Continue to be who and how you are, to astonish a mean world with your acts of kindness."

—Maya Angelou

from **Claire Ofiara**, Director of Diversity & Inclusion,
and Program Director of Mosaic Leadership Academy



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