# Saint Mary's University

# Fall Convocation



# Sunday, 23 October 2011

# O CANADA

O Canada! Our home and native land! True Patriot love in all thy son's command.

With glowng hearts we see thee rise, The True North strong and free!

From far and wide, O Canada, We stand on guard for thee.

God keep our land, glorious and free! O Canada, we stand on guard for thee, O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

Convocation is a joyous yet solemn event, bound by traditions which have evolved over centuries. It is a continuum with a formal beginning and end. By being present here today, you have indicated your interest in being part of this academic tradition. Graduating students and their guests are therefore expected to remain in their seats until this formal ceremony has been completed in its entirety - the Chancellor of the University has officially closed Convocation and the stage party and graduates have recessed.

# **Order of Academic Procession**

Marshal of Convocation

Graduates

Faculty

Board of Governors

Deans of Faculties

**Recipients of Honorary Degrees** 

Vice President, Academic and Research

President

Chancellor

The audience is requested to stand when the Academic Procession arrives, to remain standing until the close of the Prayer of Invocation, and at the close of Convocation, to remain standing until all the Academic Procession has recessed.

Please note that names of graduates listed in this program are subject to revision.

# **Order of Proceedings**

Processional

Welcome

O Canada Heather Fitzpatrick, B.P.R.

Introduction of Special Guests

Invocation

Valedictory Address Ana Zbona

## Awards

President's Award for Excellence in Research Anthony Charles, B.Sc. (Hons.), Ph.D.

Presidential Remarks J. Colin Dodds, B.A., B.Sc., M.A., Ph.D.

Conferral of Honorary Degrees

To be Doctor of Commerce (honoris causa) Fred George

To be Doctors of Civil Law (honoris causa) Dale Godsoe, C.M., B.A., B.Ed., M.Ed., D.Hum.Litt.

To be Doctor of Commerce (honoris causa) Danny McCarthy, B.Comm., C.A., F.C.A.

Presentation of Alumni Pins to Honorary Degree Recipients

Convocation Address Danny McCarthy, B.Comm., C.A., F.C.A. Conferring of Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates

Faculty of Arts Esther E. Enns, B.S.L., M.A., M.Ed., Ph.D., Dean of Arts, will present the candidates.

Sobey School of Business Gordon L. Fullerton, B.Comm., MBA, Ph.D., Acting Dean of the Sobey School of Business, will present the candidates.

Faculty of Science Steven Smith, B.A.(Hons.), M.A., Ph.D., Dean of Science, will present the candidates.

Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research

J. Kevin Vessey, B.Sc. (Hons.), M.Sc., Ph.D., Associate Vice President Research, Dean of Graduate Studies and Research, will present the candidates.

Induction to the President's Hall of Academic Excellence

**Closing of Convocation** 

Recessional

Chairman of Convocation David Gauthier, B.A., M.A., Ph.D. Vice President, Academic and Research

Marshal of Convocation Don Naulls, B.A., M.A., Ph.D. Chair of Senate

Marshal of Students Keith Hotchkiss, B.A. Director of Student Services

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## Acknowledgement

The administration and faculty of Saint Mary's University gratefully acknowledge the generous assistance received during the past year from individuals and groups in the form of contributions of scholarships, bursaries, prizes, and numerous and varied services.

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## Photography

To ensure that there is no interference with the conferring of degrees, diplomas, and certificates, and to comply with fire regulations, audience guests will not have access to the floor area in front of the stage or the aisles during the Convocation ceremony.

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## **Fire Exits**

Guests are asked to observe carefully the locations of all fire exits in the Grand Ballroom.

# AWARDS

## President's Award for Excellence in Research

Established in 1989, this annual award honors outstanding research conducted by a full-time faculty member who has been employed at the University for at least three years. A rigorous nomination procedure has been delineated whereby each Dean of a Faculty may select one member of his/her Faculty who has been nominated by a faculty researcher, and whose candidacy he/she is prepared to support. Other sponsors must be researchers, at least two of whom must be from outside Saint Mary's University. The award is adjudicated by the Research Committee of the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, which has the authority to decide which nominee, if any, is deserving of the award. The selection criteria consists of two component parts, namely productivity, whereby the nominee must have a record of continued exceptional contribution to research and scholarship; and second, national or international recognition as an authority in a major field of knowledge. The President's Award for Excellence in Research consists of a framed certificate presented at Fall Convocation together with a cheque for \$1,500. Previous winners of this significant award are:

- 1989 Dr. George Mitchell (Astronomy)
- 1990 Dr. John Chadwick-Jones (Psychology)
- 1991 Dr. John Reid (History/Atlantic Canada Studies)
- 1992 Dr. Jaroslav Dostal (Geology)
- 1993 Dr. Arthur Monahan (Philosophy)
- 1994 Dr. Michael Zaworotko (Chemistry)
- 1995 Dr. John Young (Chemistry)
- 1996 Dr. Terry Wagar (Management)
- 1997 Dr. David Turner (Astronomy)
- 1998 Dr. Colin Howell (History/Atlantic Canada Studies)
- 1999 Dr. Georgia Pe-Piper (Geology)
- 2000 Dr. Henry Veltmeyer (Sociology)
- 2001 Dr. Bert Hartnell (Mathematics and Computing Science)
- 2002 Dr. Andrew Harvey (Economics)
- 2003 Dr. Stephen Davis (Anthropology)
- 2004 Dr. J. Victor Owen (Geology)
- 2005 Dr. David Guenther (Astronomy and Physics)
- 2006 Dr. E. Kevin Kelloway (Management and Psychology)
- 2007 Dr. Hugh Millward (Geography)
- 2008 Dr. Albert Mills (Management)
- 2009 Dr. Robert McCalla (Geography)
- 2010 Dr. Goran Stanivukovic (English)

The recipient of the President's Award for Excellence in Research for 2011 is Dr. Anthony Charles.

Dr. Anthony Charles holds an undergraduate degree from Carleton University and a Ph.D. from the University of British Columbia. Tony joined Saint Mary's as an Assistant Professor of Management Science in 1985. He was promoted to Associate Professor in 1988 and to Professor in 1994. He currently holds a cross-appointment in Environmental Studies and is a Pew Fellow in Marine Conservation.

Dr. Charles has a long and significant record of scholarship in his area of inquiry. He has acquired an international reputation as a high caliber scholar in the areas of fisheries management and sustainability in fishery resource harvesting. His research productivity is high, in that he has nearly 150 written publications in various forms (books, refereed journal articles, book chapters, reports and conference proceedings). He also has had nearly 100 conference presentations over a 25 year period as a scholar. Over his career, Dr. Charles has had approximately \$5 million in research funding for projects where he is either a principal investigator or co-investigator. Dr. Charles has been involved in the supervision of dozens of graduate students, both at Saint Mary's and other institutions. He is one of a relatively small group of Canadian scholars who have had their research projects funded by both SSHRC and NSERC.

He has been described as one of the most significant researchers in the broad area of "sustainability" in the country. Indeed, Tony is a leading academic in the area of sustainable fishery management in Canada. He was very much a pioneer in researching important questions about the management of this particular natural resource. His 2001 book, Sustainable Fishery Systems, is one of the key works in the field and it has been instrumental in creating his international reputation as an important figure in this area of study. There is no question that Dr. Charles is one of the most locally, nationally and internationally recognized and respected scholars at Saint Mary's University. Overall, Tony has made an exceptional contribution to the University and his field over that past quarter century and he is a deserving recipient of this award.

## **BACHELOR OF ARTS**

Nour Samer Al-Salous (summa cum laude)

Halifax, NS Casey E. Babb Halifax, NS Cedric Elwyn Barry-Elias Dieppe, NB Joel Adam David Bates **Emily Anne Beazley** Halifax, NS Ryan Alexander Boudreau Truro, NS Justin Daniel Bradley Kaylee Austine Bunyan Halifax, NS Greg Keith Burbridge Natasha Chantel Burt Dartmouth, NS Joanne Marie Cairns-Margeson Bedford, NS Nicole Kandace Chapdelaine Peter Daniel Christmas Daniel Gilles Curwin Toronto, ON Simon M. Davis Halifax, NS Lauren Ann Devine

Stephanie Anne Duncan (magna cum laude)

Colin Bradford Alan Fenerty Trisha Dawn Forbes (Hon. History) Carmen Janelle Elizabeth Naomi Fox Derrice Adriana Fraser

Katherine Lydia Gillan Rachel A. Glover Gina A. Gonsalves Kathleen Elizabeth Walsh Grant Isaac Alexander Gray (Hon. International Development Studies)

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Halifax, NS

Beaver Bank, NS Membertou, NS Moncton, NB

Halifax, NS

Cole Harbour, NS Halifax, NS Hamilton Parish, Bermuda Dartmouth, NS

Charlottetown, PE Peterborough, ON St John's, Antigua Halifax, NS Truro, NS

Halifax, NS Dartmouth, NS Grand Falls-Windsor, NL

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BillyDee Eugene Johnson Daniel W. Johnson

Julie Anne Jaclyn Keenan Matthew John Kelly Deirdra Alisa Kennedy Timmesha R. King Mariek Rachel Kocay (Hon. Anthropology)

Marjorie Anne Chelsea Landry Amanda Catherine LaPointe (Hon. Religious Studies: cum laude) Jeremy S. Lyons

Brittany Irene MacIsaac John David Simpson MacNeil Ronald Mawad Tiffany Marie McEachern John A. McKinlay (summa cum laude) Emily Christine Lindsay McQuillan (Honors Psychology: cum laude) Ashley-Rose Christine Miller Ryan Peter Mugridge Chelsea Jane Muir Karen E. Murdock Vinayak Muthu

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Bedford, NS Dartmouth, NS Halifax, NS Halifax, NS Dartmouth, NS

Halifax, NS

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Sydney, NS

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Ann Margaret Taylor Cody Daniel Thornton Hannah Claire Tully (magna cum laude)

Chris A. R. Walker (Hon. International Development Studies: magna cum laude) Janelle Doreen Walker Keri Lee Webber

#### **Ruth Yeatbark**

Ana Zbona (Hon. Political Science: summa cum laude) Stephanie Marie Zed

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Bathurst, NB

Southampton, Bermuda Dartmouth, NS Falmouth, NS

Halifax, NS Deer Lake, NL

Dartmouth, NS New Glasgow, NS

Sussex, NB

Dartmouth, NS Dartmouth, NS Bermuda Head of Jeddore, NS

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Jacqueline E. Doane

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Colette M. Bishop-Greene Cynthia Lynn Simpson

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Stephanie Breanne MacPhail

## Cornwall, PE

# MASTER OF ARTS (WOMEN AND GENDER STUDIES)

Jane F. Gavin-Hebert

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Chuankai Xu Heju Xu Man Xu

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Montreal, QC

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## **MASTER OF SCIENCE (ASTRONOMY)**

Liz Maria Arcila Osejo Larkin Michelle Duelge

# **DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (ASTRONOMY)**

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# **PROFESSOR EMERITUS**

## **DAVID TURNER**

David joined the Department of Astronomy in 1984 following 10 years spent at the University of Toronto and Laurentian University, bringing with him a NSERC University Research Fellowship awarded in 1980. An observational stellar astronomer, he is one of few people to have used observations from the Burke-Gaffney Observatory in his research, in his case for the North Star, Polaris, a Cepheid variable in which he is a world expert. He is also a leading expert in the study of the Milky Way's star clusters and in several other types of stars that vary in brightness, and retains a strong interest in the mystery of the Star of Bethlehem, gained from many years producing Christmas Star shows for the Doran Planetarium at Laurentian.

His service at Saint Mary's includes eight years as Department Chair, during which he led the introduction of the undergraduate Astrophysics program and oversaw the 1993 merger with Physics, and many years on the Appointments Committee, University Review Committee, Senate, Senate Research Committee, Board of Governors, Honorary Degrees Committee, Budget Committee, etc. During this period he also found time to chair the Hertzberg Institute of Astrophysics Advisory Committee, serve as chief editor, secretary, ghost writer, copyeditor, and proof reader for the Journal of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada (1994-99), and to serve on local astronomy-related organizations. At Laurentian, he helped found the Sudbury Astronomy Club in 1982.

He is best known at Saint Mary's for having asteroid 6898 Saint-Marys named for the university in honor of its 200th anniversary celebrations, as well as for his recent work at uncovering the meaning behind the chancel ceiling stars at St. John's Church, Lunenburg, a story that continues to fascinate people of all ages. His special honors include the President's Award for Excellence in Research (1997), the Service Award of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada (2001), Distinguished Alumnus of the Year Award (2004) from Renison College, University of Waterloo, and the naming of the intriguing asteroid 27810 Daveturner in his honor by Carolyn Shoemaker and David Levy. More than a dozen of our Milky Way's star clusters are also named in his honor, as discoverer. He has published over 400 articles of various types, including 190 refereed papers, on two thirds of which he is the lead or sole author, and has material for another 30-40, if he can locate it in his office files.

Following perestroika, David developed closer ties with Eastern Bloc astronomers working in his area of research, which continues to the present. His first Saint Mary's Ph.D. student was among the spring graduates, but an Egyptian Ph.D. student Mohamed Sabour graduated from Cairo University in 2004 with him acting as external supervisor. His work in astronomy has been important for strengthening our knowledge of the extragalactic distance scale and for bringing a sense of careful attention to detail in astronomical research. He intends to get back to his research roots in retirement, initiate international summer schools for the study of star clusters, and enjoy contacts with his many former students.

## HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS

## FRED GEORGE

Fred George, a businessman, entrepreneur and philanthropist will receive a Doctor of Commerce (Honoris Causa).

Mr. George co-founded Gammon Gold and transformed the small exploration company into one of the largest gold and silver producers in Mexico. Under his leadership, Gammon Gold's market cap grew from \$10 million to over \$2.4 billion dollars in just five years.

While growing the company into an industry leader listed on the Toronto, New York, American and Berlin stock exchanges, he served as President from 1997- 2009 and Chairman of the Board from 2002 until his retirement in September 2009. The company was recently renamed AuRico Gold.

Mr. George, on behalf of Gammon Gold Inc., has been the recipient of a number of awards including the "Best Producing and Active Exploration Company" in Mexico, as well as the best performing gold and silver company in the world for 2003 and the first six months of 2004, as rated by Mineweb.

In 2006, Mr. George was the recipient of the first ever Community Development Model Award, bestowed by the Governor of Chihuahua, Mr. Jose Reyes, in recognition of Gammon Gold's support of the community and the creation of over 1000 direct jobs and 6000 indirect jobs. He was granted Honorary Mexican Citizenship for his contribution to the country's mining industry and economy. He is considered an expert in Canadian-Mexican relations.

Closer to home, Mr. George is well known for his energy and ability to motivate others. He frequently shares his story with students and entrepreneurs keen to tap into his experience and insights. He is a frequent speaker at the Sobey School of Business.

Committed to making a difference in the lives of others, Mr. George is the founder of the Fred George foundation and a supporter to many charitable organizations. He has contributed to the Bridgeway Academy for students with learning disabilities for more than a decade and was recently honoured by the Halifax and Region Military Family Resource Centre for his work supporting military families.

Mr. George has also been a major sponsor for the Nova Scotia Autism Society, the Canadian Mental Health Association and the Special Olympics. The gymnasium at Sacred Heart School in Halifax is named in his honour in recognition of his many donations.

Mr. George's efforts and continuous hard work for the community and raising money for those in need were formally recognized by former U.S. President William Clinton. Mr. George now works with the Clinton Foundation and attends the Annual Trustee Meetings as an advisor, contributing innovative ideas for solving the world's problems.

## DALE GODSOE

Dale Godsoe, a community leader, consultant and Member of the Order of Canada will receive a Doctor of Civil Law (Honoris Causa).

Ms. Godsoe's work in education, communications and women's equity issues has led her to membership on a wide range of public sector and not-for-profit boards.

She spent many years working in higher education, first at Mount Saint Vincent as Chair of the Board of Governors between 1987 and 1994, then at Dalhousie University as Vice President External, leading the university's fundraising, alumni and public affairs efforts and most recently as a Governor of the University of Kings College.

Ms. Godsoe is a director of the Queen Elizabeth II Foundation Board, the National Arts Centre Foundation and the Provincial Autism Centre. She also chairs HRM by Design as well as serving on the newly founded Strategic Urban Partnership for Halifax. She currently chairs Symphony Nova Scotia's endowment campaign, having previously served on the Symphony Board. She is also Chair of the S-Vox Foundation, a new foundation which focuses on youth and their spirituality from a perspective of pluralism.

She is immediate Past Chair of S-Vox, the corporate owner of the Vision TV Network and was previously a member of the Prime Minister's External Advisory Committee on Cities and Communities in Canada, commonly called the Harcourt Committee.

Other past and current involvements include the Board of the National Arts Centre, the Pier 21 Foundation, national and international board positions with YWCA Canada, serving as National President and YWCA World Council Member, as well as the board of Owl and Chickadee and various arts and culture committees for the city of Halifax.

In 1998, she became a Member of the Order of Canada, and in 1995 she was awarded the Canada Volunteer Award.

Ms. Godsoe's recent private sector involvement has included being a Trustee and Director of Halterm Inc., Viacom Canada Inc., Hambros Bank, and The Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Co. Ltd. Until 2005, she held an ownership position in Maritime Broadcasting System, serving as Director and Corporate Secretary.

Ms. Godsoe received her B.A, B.Ed. and Masters in Education from Dalhousie University. She received an honorary degree from Mount Saint Vincent University in 1997. She will receive the Women of Excellence award for her work in Arts and Culture this November as well as the Concertmaster's Award from Symphony Nova Scotia.

# DANNY MCCARTHY

Daniel J. McCarthy, a Halifax financial executive and a driving force behind Saint Mary's fundraising and alumni initiatives, will receive a Doctor of Commerce (Honoris Causa).

Mr. McCarthy is a Managing Director at Credit Suisse, leading the coverage of a broad range of industrial companies for Credit Suisse Investment Banking in Canada. He has over 30 years of extensive experience in the Investment Banking and Securities Industry.

Prior to joining Credit Suisse in 2011, he was a Vice Chairman of CIBC World Markets. Previously at CIBC he was Managing Director and Head of Investment Banking for Diversified Industries. In addition, Mr. McCarthy spent a number of years as Managing Director within CIBC's Equity Capital Markets business, where he was responsible for the distribution of new issues within CIBC's private client brokerage division.

Mr. McCarthy is a member of the Board of Directors of Soulpepper Theatre in Toronto, Fulbright Canada and the Ireland Fund of Canada. He is also a member of the Development Committee of Pathways to Education Canada.

He served with distinction as a Division Chair of Saint Mary's recently completed Hearts and Minds campaign and is quick to extol the virtues of a Saint Mary's education to potential students. He has spoken on campus to students within the Sobey School of Business on several occasions.

Mr. McCarthy supports numerous charitable endeavours including the Ride to Conquer Cancer, the United Way of Toronto and the Fred Victor Centre, an organization that provides emergency shelter and long-term affordable housing to the homeless and low income families.

He graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Commerce from Saint Mary's University and received his Chartered Accounting designation from the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nova Scotia.

## VALEDICTORIAN

#### ANA ZBONA

Ana grew up in a tiny ex-communist-turned-capitalist paradise called Slovenia, with a large extended family, enjoying sort of an enchanted childhood. Growing up, she acted in semiprofessional theatre, and joined a non-profit called CISV that aims to build global friendship by organizing international summer camps for children. Her educational path after that was a reflection of the two: she continued working in theatre as well as moved to Canada where she did her BA in International Development Studies and Honours in Political Science (specialization in International Relations) at Saint Mary's University.

Ana was always a very active part of the University community, devoting herself to countless activities: she was the President of the IDS Society, an active member of WUSC, the Drama Society and the Art of Living chapter at SMU, among others. She also worked at the Patrick Power University Library and was responsible for the promotion of the Spanish language program at the University, as the Spanish program coordinator and promoter.

In her final year, she became a teaching assistant for Dr Marc Doucet, PhD. Her insatiable curiosity inspired her to do a one year study abroad program in Mexico, where she worked at a pro-bono law firm, helping Mexican workers that were disenfranchised in Canada and the US. There, she also started a development initiative of her own, called the Huehuetla project. She finished her studies in 2011 graduating Summa Cum Laude with an induction into the President's Hall of Academic Excellence. After returning to her home country, she assumed a position on the executive board of the Institute IRIU - an Institute for the Research of Innovative Arts. She is planning to return to Canada next year to pursue her graduate studies.

## HISTORY OF SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY

Saint Mary's University was founded in 1802 to provide opportunities for higher learning to young Catholic men. Its founder, the Reverend Edmund Burke, had meager resources to work with, but on later being named Bishop with responsibility for Nova Scotia, he continued to support the college as essential to the development of the Catholic community. In 1841, the Nova Scotia House of Assembly gave formal recognition of its academic role. Its legal status was confirmed in perpetuity by enactment in 1852.

In 1913, the Christian Brothers of Ireland, a teaching order, were invited by the Archdiocese of Halifax to direct the college and its academic program. During the ensuing years, Saint Mary's University became more widely known for the quality of its undergraduate teaching and continued to develop new instructional programs, most notably within its Faculty of Commerce. In 1940, the Upper Canada Province of The Society of Jesus was invited to succeed the Christian Brothers as administrators and teachers in the University, and for thirty years until the enactment in 1970 of the new act of incorporation, the college remained under Jesuit supervision. The long-standing emphasis on liberal arts and commerce was extended to include new programs in science, engineering, and teacher education. Extension courses became an important part of the University's commitment to an active educational role in the community.

In the year 2002-2003, the University celebrated its 200th Anniversary in a year long series of celebratory events. The celebration provided a marvelous retrospective of our past and set the stage for the University's significant role in the 21st Century. Concurrently with preparations for the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the University embarked on developing its first Academic Plan 2002-2007. The plan was updated for 2008-2011 and we are currently engaging on campus in consultations on a draft of the plan for 2012 – 2017, *Building a Global Learning Community*.

Over the last two decades, the physical campus has also been undergoing a significant renewal including new buildings and total renovations of older facilities. The Sobey Building opened in 1998 and the Atrium Building, featuring the Global Learning Commons, opened in January 2010. The Loyola Academic Building, all of the residences, the Science Building and most recently, the McNally Building are essentially new buildings after being totally rebuilt.

In December 2005, a new focus on the image of Saint Mary's University was unveiled. "SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY. ONE UNIVERSITY. ONE WORLD. YOURS. This powerful statement captures the fundamental nature of today's Saint Mary's". "It encompasses our strategic directions and our vision to be the University of Choice for aspiring citizens of the world". Each of the three elements of the rallying cry has a significant and thoughtful meaning:

One University: Our singular vision and commitment One World: Unlimited possibilities Yours: The challenge and the responsibility for all Santamarians

## AN EXPLANATION FOR OUR GUESTS: THE CONVOCATION CEREMONY

#### The Procession

The ceremony starts with the procession — the entering of the members of Convocation, beginning with the Marshall of Convocation and the students who will be presented with degrees, diplomas, and certificates during the service. As the students fill up the chairs in the Grand Ballroom, they will give the impression that today's ceremony really is, as convocations traditionally were, a meeting of the whole University. (The word "convocation" means "calling-together".) Indeed, the Grand Ballroom could not hold all the individuals who are part of Saint Mary's — the students, the professors, the administration, the staff, and a large number of alumni around the world — not to mention their families and friends.

Next in the procession are special guests, the Members of Faculty, the Board of Governors, and the Deans of the Faculties.

Next are honorary degree recipients. In addition to "earned" degrees awarded to students who have studied and met the usual requirements, annually the University confers several "honorary" degrees on individuals who have been designated by the University's Board of Governors and Senate as deserving special honour. To symbolize the degrees, they will receive hoods trimmed with specially designated colours. The person receiving this honour will be introduced during the Convocation ceremony and a brief text is read to explain why he/she merits the award. Details are found in the earlier portion in this program.

The final members of the academic procession are the Vice President, Academic and Research (who presides over Convocation), the President, and the Chancellor.

Many will have colourful gowns and hoods of institutions from across Canada, the United States, and many nations of the world.

## **The Ceremonial Mace**

The ceremonial mace, which is carried by the Marshall of Convocation at the head of the academic procession, was presented to Saint Mary's in April 1980 and used for the first time at the Spring Convocation of that same year. It symbolizes the University's authority to grant degrees. It was made and presented to the University by Maritime Command in recognition of Saint Mary's alumni killed in both world wars and also in recognition of serving members of the Canadian Armed Forces who have been students at the University.

The mace is made of oak with a cast brass crown and brass plates carrying traditional ceremonial engravings. The plates represent the contribution to Saint Mary's by the Jesuit Fathers, the Christian Brothers of Ireland, the Archdiocese of Halifax, the LaSalle Christian Brothers, the Lay Teachers, and the Armed Forces.

## **University Crest**

Designed in the 1940's by the Reverend Daniel Fogarty, S.J., then Dean of Education, each symbol in the crest has significance relevant to the various phases and history of the University.

On the outer portion of the crest, the name and location of the University are inscribed in Latin and, in Roman numerals (1841), the date the University received its charter authorizing it to grant degrees.

The book shown above the shield represents learning and knowledge. The inscription on the page of the book is in Latin — "Age Quod Agis". This is the motto of the University which exhorts all those connected with the University to strive to do their best in everything that they do. This quotation is from the Irish Christian Brothers and symbolizes their contribution to the development of the institution.

The upper part of the shield has the official seal of the Jesuits with I.H.S. being the Greek initials for Christ's name. Below these initials are the three nails which represent the Crucifixion, and surrounding these is the Crown of Thorns. The two crowns represent a dual loyalty - to the then Dominion of Canada and to the British Commonwealth. Below these crowns is the thistle, which stands for Nova Scotia's Scottish heritage.

#### The Presidential Medallion of Office

On 22 October 2000, a Medallion of Office was officially presented to the University and used for the first time that same day at the installation of Dr. J. Colin Dodds as President. Designed and crafted by James Bradshaw and Bruce Babcock of James Bradshaw Jewelry Design Studios, Inc., Halifax, its centre is a University Gold Medal, traditionally awarded to the top graduating students. It symbolizes the University's deep commitment to academic excellence. It is surrounded by contrasting sterling silver, representing the diversity of the institution's students and of its academic programs. It was generously presented by Mary Eileen Donahoe and her family as a memorial to the late Senator Richard A. Donahoe, Q.C., K.S.G., LL.D. (Hon.), a member of one of the University's earliest Boards of Governors, in recognition of his career of public service and his love of Saint Mary's.

#### Academic Regalia

As you will observe, all the graduates and members of the academic procession are attired in the basic elements of formal academic dress, which at Saint Mary's follows the general guidelines established at Oxford and Cambridge Universities in England. Formal attire consists of academic robe, hood and mortar board, although at Saint Mary's the latter is limited to Master's graduates only. The academic dress worn by each participant depends upon that academic level attained. There is special attire for the Bachelor, Master, and Doctoral level candidates. While tradition has dictated the style or cut of the academic attire, each post-secondary institution, for the most part, will amend certain details of the attire to suit its own particular tastes and traditions.

The academic hood which each graduate is wearing symbolizes the degree into which the student will be or has been admitted. The hood itself traces its tradition back to the Middle Ages, when its prototype, with a cowl-like appendage and tail, was used to cover the shoulders in the cold and draughty medieval buildings or in inclement weather. Gradually this garment was modified and the hood assumed an academic rather than functional significance. The hood has two basic elements: the trim on the outer edge and an inner satin lining. Each hood has its outer edge trimmed with a colour to indicate a particular faculty and degree: white symbolizes Arts; gold, Science; grey, Commerce; and white with pale blue, Education. The hood for the Master's candidates is essentially the same as the Bachelor's hood except that the trim is usually an inch or two wider. All the Bachelor level hoods are lined with satin in the colours of the institution granting the degree. Hence at Saint Mary's the hood is lined with maroon satin with a white chevron. The Master's hood at Saint Mary's is lined with maroon satin only to give it added distinction from the Bachelor's.

## Flags on the Stage

Each year Saint Mary's has a number of international students. The flags which you see displayed on the stage for Convocation are from some of the countries from which these students come, not necessarily graduating students, but those in any year of study. The globalization of the Saint Mary's University community is a feature of justifiable pride which contributes markedly to the growth and understanding of both Canadian and non-Canadian students.

Also included in the University's permanent collection of flags is one from the International Year of the Disabled signifying the University's permanent commitment to people with disabilities. Also part of this collection is that of the Mi'kmaqs' in recognition of their First Nation's Status. For the first time at our Spring 2002 Convocations the University's Bicentennial flag has taken its rightful place in our permanent collection.

## **Graduation Alumni Pins**

The Alumni Association of Saint Mary's University has generously provided an Alumni Pin again this year. This is a tradition which started with the 1992 Spring Convocation. Graduates are encouraged to wear theirs with pride and to consider becoming an active member of the Association.

## **Degrees and Diplomas Awarded with Distinctions**

At Saint Mary's University in the general undergraduate degree and diploma programs, academic distinctions are awarded to successful candidates on the basis of the following cumulative grade point averages of all courses taken at Saint Mary's University. There are no distinctions awarded in graduate and certificate programs.

B.A., B.Comm., & B.Sc.	Grade Point Average	Diploma in Engineering
summa cum laude magna cum laude	4.00 - 4.30 3.85 - 3.99	with greatest distinction with great distinction
cum laude	3.70 - 3.84	with distinction

The President's Hall of Academic Excellence, located in the main hallway of the McNally Building, directly outside the President's Office, displays the names of all students who earned one of these distinctions. The Hall also includes the names of students who won academic medals at graduation.

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The University's symbols and traditions reflect its roots as well as looking to its future and the ritual of Convocation looks to the roots of the University as well as being a beginning for the students who now enter a new stage in their lives. Indeed, both the symbols and the Convocation look back far beyond the beginning of this University to the centuries of academic life in western civilization. Today the University dresses in clothes which are symbolic, not functional, and goes through the 600-year-old ritual of a convocation for the conferment of degrees, diplomas, and certificates.

We thank you for being present to share in it with the Saint Mary's University community.

## Photography

Stage trappings will be left in place for approximately one half hour at the conclusion of Convocation for students who wish to have photographs taken by family and friends against the backdrops on the stage.

GradImages is the official photographer for our Convocation. Proofs will be sent to you via email within 72 hours following the ceremony. A printed proof will be sent via Canadian Post, three to five days after graduation. Pictures can be ordered online at www.gradimages.ca, by phone or by mail. GradImages can be contacted at 1-800-372-3686 or 1-800-261-2576 or via email at www.gradimages.ca.

Since photographs will be available, family members and guests are encouraged to remain in their seats, relax and enjoy the ceremony.

## **Framing of Parchments**

The Saint Mary's University Bookstore, is pleased to provide an on-site, instant framing program following graduation ceremonies. (Please note: This service is **NOT** available during the Convocation ceremony.)

Simply present your diploma at the designated area on the lower level of the World Trade and Convocation Centre. In seconds, it will be professionally framed in a high quality, Canadian-made frame, complete with a mat emblazoned with the official crest of Saint Mary's University.

# DVD

DVD videos of the convocation will be available and can be ordered from the website:

www.bigaro.ca

#### Flowers

Fresh flowers are available for purchase before and after the ceremony, but not during the ceremony.

# The Board of Governors, The Academic Senate, and The Graduating Class

of

# Saint Mary's University

Cordially invite you to attend a Reception

Immediately following Fall Convocation

# Suites 202-205 Main Level World Trade and Convention Centre

This informal setting will provide an opportunity for graduates and their guests to meet Faculty, Administrators, and Staff of Saint Mary's University.

Light refreshments will be served.