



DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL

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Hello all,

As I mentioned last Easter, my favorite course as an undergraduate was on the 17th century religious and metaphysical poets of Britain. That class first introduced me to the sacred poetry of George Herbert, poetry I tend to come back to each Easter.

One of his best is “Easter Wings”:

Lord, who createdst man in wealth and store,
Though foolishly he lost the same,
Decaying more and more,
Till he became
Most poor:
With thee
O let me rise
As larks, harmoniously,
And sing this day thy victories:
Then shall the fall further the flight in me.

My tender age in sorrow did begin:
And still with sickness and shame
Thou didst so punish sin,
That I became
Most thin.
With thee
Let me combine,
And feel this day thy victory:
For, if I imp my wing on thine,
Affliction shall advance the flight in me.

The first stanza tells the story of man. He was created by God “in wealth and store” but through sin became “Most poor.” God then intercedes, and by the last line of the first stanza the fall of man has been redeemed through Christ. The second stanza mirrors the first, but at the individual level. Now it is not the fall of all humanity, but the poet’s individual struggle with sin. Like in the first stanza, redemption through Christ allows for greatness. In addition to the profound simplicity of the poem, it is clever. Turn it 90 degrees. What do you see?

Happy Easter,

Dominic D’Urso



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Announcements

March 27

Home Tennis, Volleyball, and Golf (Bogey)

March 28-April 1

Easter Break

April 3

Sophomore Retreat: Please see Mrs. Whitworth's email for more details.

Home Volleyball and Golf (Bogey)

Baseball BBQ: Come early to the varsity baseball game at Blanchette where our Dean of Students, Mr. Schneider, will be slinging hot dogs.

April 4



Junior Ring Mass: At our all school mass on April 4th, our juniors will be presented with their class rings. We strongly encourage the juniors to dress up for this mass. We are also inviting the juniors and their families to a reception following the mass in our PAC. Please see the invitation to RSVP.

April 6

DEVEUSTER

Track (@ Chaminade) and Home Baseball Doubleheader (BMAC)

Athletic Boosters BBQ: Make sure you stop by Duchesne for some fantastic BBQ and support our Athletic Boosters.

April 8

Schedule Change/No School: Last year, we sold out of our Dream Home tickets and earned a day off of school. We will take that day on April 8th to give students and faculty an opportunity to drive south to see the total eclipse.

Home Baseball (BMAC)

April 9

ACT & Pre ACT Testing: Our freshmen and sophomores will take a practice ACT. Our juniors will take the ACT. Seniors do not have school on the 9th. For our 9th through 11th graders, school will begin at the usual time and end around noon. Students should report directly to their testing rooms.



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April 9

Home Tennis

April 10

Home Tennis, Volleyball, and Soccer

April 11

Home Tennis and Golf (Bogey)

Volunteer Opportunity

We need help covering the concessions stands for our spring sports. Sign up links for soccer and volleyball can be found below. Please consider assisting.

[Soccer](#)

[Volleyball](#)

Jr/Sr Finals

These will be regular days for our freshmen and sophomores, with the exception of Wednesday May 8th. That will be a regular start time for everyone.

May 7

Reading Day: Juniors and Seniors are not required to be on campus. They can, however, come to campus to meet with teachers in preparation for their finals.

May 8

Period 3 Final: 7:45-8:35

Period 5 Final: 9:55-10:45

Period 8 Final: 1:05-1:55

May 9

Period 4 Final: 7:45-8:35

Period 6 Final: 9:55-10:45

Period 1 Final: 1:05-1:55

May 10

Period 7 Final: 9:55-10:45

Period 2 Final: 1:05-1:55



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Senior Graduation Information

May 14

Baccalaureate Mass: The Baccalaureate Mass is the last mass the seniors will celebrate as a class. It is also the kick-off to graduation week. The mass will be held at St. Peter Church in St. Charles. It will start at 6:00. We will have an awards ceremony immediately following mass. Doors will open at 5:30

May 15

Graduation Practice: All graduates need to be in the PAC by 9:45 a.m. for graduation practice. We will not start practice until everyone gets to school.

May 16



Graduation: The ceremony begins at 6:00. Graduates should arrive to school and be in the PAC by 5:30. The doors to the Ted Yeater Athletic Center will also open at 5:00 for the friends and families of our graduates. Each graduate will get 8 tickets (4 preferred seating, 4 general admission) to the ceremony at graduation practice on the 15th. If families would like more tickets, please let us know. For more details on graduation, please see the email from Mrs. Turner