



THANKSGIVING CEREMONY FOR 2020 GRADUATES 3pm, Saturday 20 November ST PASCHAL CHAPEL, MELBOURNE





THE CEREMONY of conferring degrees and awarding diplomas and certificates is a time-honoured ritual performed at universities throughout the world. It is the moment when awards are formally made, and is a celebration of the achievements of the graduands.

Graduation ceremonies at the University of Divinity celebrate the academic excellence of our students, honour our collegiate structure and reveal the richness of the many Christian traditions which shape our identity.

Welcome.

This afternoon the University gathers to celebrate in person with graduates from 2020.

We honour your academic achievements in theology, philosophy, counselling, education and ministry.

Graduation ceremonies at the University of Divinity honour the University's academic excellence, collegiate structure and Christian traditions.

I thank all who join the Vice-Chancellor and me today in support of our graduates, including family, friends, colleagues, members of the University Council and the staff of its Colleges. Your support is invaluable to our graduates and to the University as together we address the issues of our contemporary world through critical engagement with Christian theological traditions.

Our alumni are found in every corner of the globe, serving churches and communities in extraordinary ways. As you join them, I hope that you will draw on your attributes as a graduate of the University, as you continue to learn, articulate, communicate, engage and serve.

Dr Graeme Blackman AO FTSE FAICD BD 1993, MTheol 2006 Chancellor



Order of Proceedings

ACADEMIC PROCESSION *Please stand for the academic procession*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

We are many parts

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS, WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

The Chancellor, **Dr Graeme Blackman** AO FTSE FAICD

SCRIPTURE READING Michael Julius Manuel GDTheol 2020 Philippians 4:4-9

Reader: The Word of the Lord *Response:* Thanks be to God

INTERCESSIONS

Led by Lorraine Joy Blamires MTS 2020 Written by Luke Mark Hopkins PhD 2021 Christy Maree Capper PhD 2020

Reader: Let us pray to the Lord *Response:* Lord, hear our prayer

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

We are many parts



[Chorus]

We are many parts, we are all one body, and the gifts we have we are given to share. May the Spirit of Love make us one indeed; one, the love that we share, one, our hope in despair, one, the cross that we bear. God of all, we look to you We would be your servants true, let us be your love to all the world.

So my pain is pain for you, in your joy is my joy, too; all is brought together in the Lord.

All you seekers, great and small, seek the greatest gift of all; if you love, then you will know the Lord.

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RESPONSORY HYMN God, beyond all names

PRESENTATION

The Chair of the Academic Board, the **Reverend Associate Professor Frank Rees**, certifies to the Chancellor that all graduates completed the requirements of their awards.

GRADUATE ADDRESSES

Bradley William Coath MTh 2020 Tiziana Maria Concetta D'Costa MA(Theology) 2020

VICE-CHANCELLOR ADDRESS The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Peter Sherlock

CONCLUSION *The Chancellor*, **Dr Graeme Blackman**

BLESSING

The Lord bless us and keep us; The Lord make his face to shine upon us, and be gracious to us; The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and grant us peace.

FINAL HYMN

Open my eyes Words and music overleaf

At the conclusion of the ceremony, please follow the academic procession out of the Chapel to the University Hall for refreshments.

RESPONSORY HYMN God, beyond all names

Refrain



God, beyond our dreams, you have stirred in us a memory; You have placed your powerful spirit in the hearts of humankind.

[Refrain]

All around us we have known you; all creation lives to hold you. In our living and our dying we are bringing you to birth.

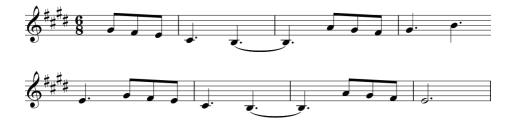
God, beyond all names, you have made us in your image; we are like you, we reflect you; we are woman, we are man. God, beyond all words, all creation tells your story; you have shaken with our laughter, you have trembled with our tears.

God, beyond all time, you are laboring within us; we are moving, we are changing, in your spirit ever new.

God of tender care, you have cradled us in goodness, you have mothered us in wholeness, you have loved us into birth.

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Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see your face. Open my eyes, Lord Help me to see.

Open my ears, Lord Help me to hear your voice Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear.

Open my heart, Lord Help me to love like you. Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love. [Bridge] And the first shall be last, and our eyes are opened and we'll hear like never before. And we'll speak in new ways, and we'll see God's face in places we've never known.

I live within you. Deep in your heart, O Love. I live within you. Rest now in me.

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PRESENTATION OF GRADUATES

CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE Presented by Dr Rosemary Canavan Alexandra Mary Howard Lawes Graduate Certificate in Teaching Religious Education Martin Hautrey West Graduate Certificate in Teaching Religious Education Alexandra Barbara Wilde Graduate Diploma in Pastoral Care Lanelle Anne Eid Graduate Diploma in Theology Michael Julius Manuel Graduate Diploma in Theology Tania Louise Rose Master of Pastoral Care Simeon Su Naing Win Anthony Master of Theology (Coursework) **EVA BURROWS COLLEGE** Presented by The Reverend Associate Professor Glen O'Brien Annita Jeanne Allman Graduate Certificate in Children and Families Ministry

JESUIT COLLEGE OF SPIRITUALITY Presented by The Reverend Associate Professor Frank Rees Christine Isobel Buckingham Master of Spiritual Direction

PILGRIM THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE Presented by The Reverend Associate Professor Sean Winter Alexis Gai Ward Bachelor of Theology Lorraine Joy Blamires Master of Theological Studies

ST ATHANASIUS COLLEGE Presented by The Very Reverend Dr Daniel Ghabrial Ashraf Lewis Hanna Master of Theological Studies

STIRLING COLLEGEPresented by The Reverend Associate Professor Graham HillBaden David HarveyBachelor of TheologyIsheanesu MpakameBachelor of TheologyLynda Joy BoutrosMaster of Pastoral Care, also named a Vice-Chancellor's Scholar 2020

WHITLEY COLLEGE Presented by Dr David Janssen

 Thang Khan Mung Tung Dim Diploma in Theology

 Meryl Lynne Plowright Graduate Diploma in Spiritual Direction

 Bradley William Coath Master of Theology (Coursework), also named a Vice-Chancellor's Scholar 2020

 Richard Evan Hunt Master of Theology (Coursework)

 Karl John Sims Master of Theology (Coursework)

 Stefanie Caroline Price Pearce Master of Theological Studies

YARRA THEOLOGICAL UNION Presented by The Reverend Dr Christopher Monaghan Tiziana Maria Concetta Master of Arts (Theology), also named a Vice-Chancellor's Scholar 2020 Allison Nally Master of Education and Theology Ornella Gelinda Dharumasena Master of Theological Studies Dennis James Maddern Master of Theological Studies Wendy Anne Potter Master of Theological Studies



About the University of Divinity

The University of Divinity promotes the highest standards of scholarship in theology, philosophy and ministry. Through scholarship, the University aims to address the issues of the contemporary world. Founded in 1910 as the Melbourne College of Divinity, the University has a long history of pursuing and achieving these aims.

All students and staff join the University through one of its Colleges. Based in the Australian cities of Melbourne, Adelaide and Sydney, each College is a unique learning community that contributes to a theologically diverse and rich culture of scholarship at the University.

Through the Colleges, the University is supported by thirty partners in the churches and religious orders. These include the Anglican, Baptist, Churches of Christ, Coptic Orthodox, Lutheran, Roman Catholic, Salvation Army and Uniting Church traditions.

The University's work is further resourced by the Office of the Vice-Chancellor, which provides support to the Colleges and the University's Council and Academic Board.

OFFICERS OF THE UNIVERSITY

Chancellor **Dr Graeme Blackman** AO FTSE FAICD BSc(Hons) BD MTheol PhD

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Vice-Chancellor Professor Peter Sherlock BA(Hons) MA DPhil

Chair of Academic Board The Reverend Associate Professor Frank Rees BA(Hons) MA BD(Hons) TheolM PhD DipEd



THE UNIVERSITY BADGE

The University Badge represents its Vision, Mission, and collegiate identity. The Badge is a star, formed by a constellation of open books. The star is a biblical symbol that appears in the heavens to point wise ones on earth towards the Christ. It is also an Australian symbol, as shown by the federal star and the Southern Cross on the Australian flag.

The books which make up the star represent wisdom, and are open to critical interpretation. The gathering of these many parts into a whole expresses the collegiate shape of the University.

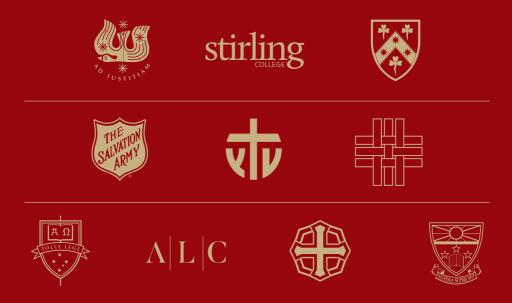
The gold represents excellence. The distinctive accent is red, representing passion and sacrifice which facilitate and flow from the study of divinity.

The constellation of books creates two stars, one on the outside and one on the inside, illustrating the University's commitment to tradition and innovation. Through critical study, the University brings ancient truths into dialogue with the issues of the contemporary world.

THE UNIVERSITY MACE

The University Mace was commissioned in 2017 from F. J. Rocca Silversmiths in Carlton, Victoria. The Mace is based on the University Badge, which appears at the tip of the Mace on a head of brass.







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