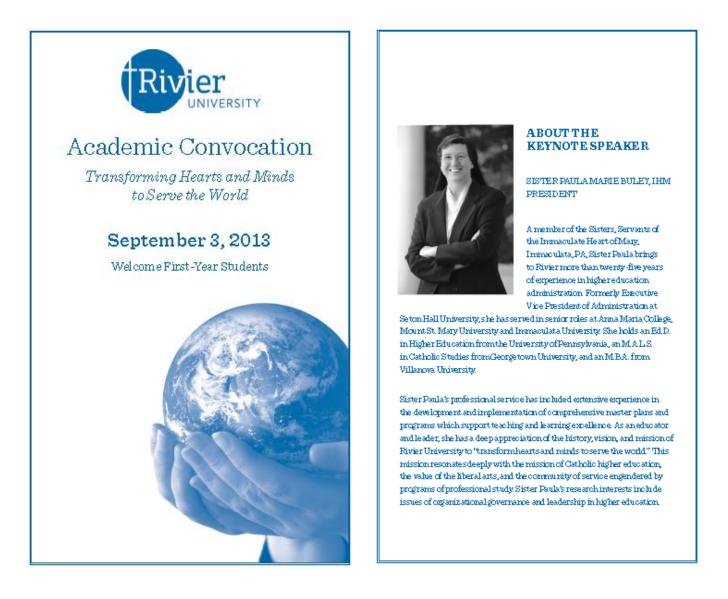
# **ACADEMIC CONVOCATION**

(September 3, 2013)

Convocation introduces first-year students to academic life at Rivier University



# ACADEMIC CONVOCATION PROGRAM

# 10A.M.

Students and faculty line up

#### PROCESSIONAL

Prélude du Te Deum by Marc-Antoine Charpentier Jay Daly, New England Musical Artists Michael Joseph, Adjunct Professor of Music

### MUSICAL PRELUDE

Michael McAdam, Adjunct Professor of Music

# 10:20 A.M.

#### WELCOMING REMARKS

Sister Therese Larochelle, pm, Vice President for Academic Affairs

OPEN ING PRAYER

Mary Jane Silvia, Director of Campus Ministry

PRAYER RESPONSE: Lead us and guide us, Spirit of wisdom and truth

### MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Veni Creator Spiritus by Louis Lambillotte Lindsay Rinaldi, Adjunct Professor of Music Michael McAdam, Adjunct Professor of Music

# INTRODUCTION OF RIVIER UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT

Dr. Bradford Stull, Dean of Undergraduate Studies and Interdisciplinary Programs KEYNOTE SPEAKER Sister Paula Marie Buley, IHM, President of Rivier University

PRESENTATION OF RIVIER UNIVERSITY PINSFOR CLASS OF 2017

Sister Paula Marie Buley, IHM, President Magnolia Dixon, President of Student Government Association

# WELCOME FROM STUDENT

GOVERNMENT ASS OCIATION Magnolia Dixon, President of Student Government Association

> CLOSING PRAYER Elizabeth Bonin, Coordinator of Student Success

# RIVIER UNIVERSITY SONG

Rev. Regina Shearer, Associate Vice President for Student Success

# RECESSIONAL

Jay Daly, New England Musical Artists Michael Joseph, Adjunct Professor of Music

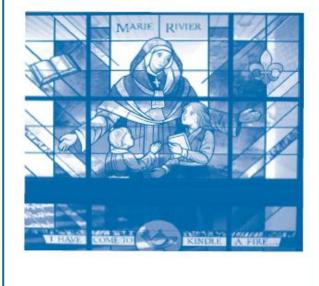
> **11:45 A.M.** Lunch Dion Center Dining Hall

1 PM. -3:30 PM. BREAK-OUT SESSIONS

# ACADEMIC CONVOCATION

Academic Convocation celebrates rene wal. Rivier University is renewed by its entering first year students, who bring with them the energy of their generation. First year students are renewed as they transition to the University, moving from one stage of their lives to another

In preparation for Convocation, the class of 2017 read <u>Outrasts United</u> <u>An American Town a Refugee Team and One Woman's Quest to Make</u> <u>a Difference</u> The book offers a compelling tableau: a failing American town at Atlanta's outskirts being reshaped by the arrival of refugees from around the world A powerful tale, <u>Outcasts United</u> focuses on the work of an extraordinary young woman who embraces the refugees, and uses scorer to help refugee children, and thus their families, deal with cultural conflict and cultural reconciliation





## MISSION STATEMENT

Founded in 1983 by the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary, Rivier University is a Catholic institution dedicated to transforming hearts and minds to serve the world.

As a co-educational institution of higher learning, the University is dedicated to the education of the undergraduate and graduate students in both the liberal arts and professional courses of study.

Committed to the faith heritage, intellectual tradition, and social teachings of the Roman Catholic Church, the University educates the whole person in the context of an academic community that oultivates critical thought, sound judgment, and respect for all people. This community supports the intellectual grow th of all its members while offering the mopportunities for social, cultural, moral, and spiritual development. The challenge of the University community is to search for truth through the dialogue between faith and reason

Rivier creates an environment in which integrated learning is the shared responsibility of students, faculty, staff, and administrators, and is pursued in all the curricular and co-curricular programs of the University. To participate in the life of Rivier University is to strive for academic excellence, to take responsibility for ourselves and for others, and to engage indialogue about basic human issues facing society, especially the plight of the poor and powerless. The University extends to all of its members and also to the greater community an invitation to join in intellectual inquiry and dialogue.

### BREAK-OUT SESSIONS

First-year students will pick up their schedules for the breakout sessions in the Dion Center Lobby between 12:30 -1 p m.

Section 1Groups A, B, C1:00 - 1:20 pm.Global Engagement1:30 - 1:50 pm.Service Learning2:00 - 2:20 pm.Information Technology2:30 - 2:50 p.m.Regina Library

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Section 3 1:00 – 1:20 p.m. 1:30 – 1:50 p.m. 2:00 – 2:20 p.m. 2:30 – 2:50 p.m.

Section 4 1:00 – 1:20 p m. 1:30 – 1:50 p m. 2:00 – 2:20 p m. 2:30 – 2:50 p m Groups G, H, I Information Technology Regina Library Global Engagement Service Learning Groups J, K, L Regina Library Global Engagement

2:30 – 2:50 p.m. Information Technology All students will meet with their Student Success: Campus to Community professors from 3:00 – 3:20 p.m. in the

classroom assigned on their Admission Ticket.

Service Learning

# RIVIER UNIVERSITY SONG

Rivier, to you we proudly sing, Our hearts with love brim o'er, Our voices rise in praise; For you we'll make the echoes ring Faithful evermore In memory of these days. Within your halls we've found an oble, lasting truth, An ideal great and strong; For this receive our thanks and accept from our youth This pledge, our loy al song. For higher things, then daily let us pray and strive, No matter what life's frays-Still through it all, Rivier, we'll ever keep alive Your lessons of God's ways.