

CONCORDIA COLLEGE

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Concordia Commencement Ceremony Saturday May 10 at 2:00 PM: Baccalaureate Service at 10:30 AM

Concordia College – New York will be holding its Commencement Saturday May 10 at 2:00 p.m. The College's Baccalaureate Service will be held at 10:30 a.m. in the Sommer Center for Worship and the Performing Arts. The Homily this year will be delivered by the Rev. Dr. Martin Conkling, Assistant Professor of Religion at Concordia and Director of the College's Pre-Seminary Program. Honorees at the Baccalaureate service include Mr. Kenneth Werring ('58) who will receive the College's Volunteer Service Award, Rev. Henry ('52) and Mrs. Louise ('51) Koepchen, who will receive the Servant of Christ Award, and the Rev. Dr. Clyde Kaminska ('49), who also will be recognized with the College's Servant of Christ Award.

At the Commencement ceremony, Concordia will recognize Mr. William Kupper, Jr. ('63) as its Distinguished Alumnus, and will award an honorary Doctor of Laws degree to Mrs. Vicki Ford, a local resident and Eastchester Councilwoman. The Commencement Speaker will be Rev. John Nunes, President and CEO of Lutheran World Relief, an international relief and development agency working in 35 countries. Also being recognized as a Distinguished Concordian will be Dr. LuJuana Butts upon her retirement from the Concordia faculty where she has served for six years as professor of Education.

Student speakers from the graduating class will be Mary Blanton of Mount Sinai, NY (B.S. in Business Administration) and Vernice Randall of Mount Vernon, NY (B.A. in Behavioral Sciences) from the Accelerated Degree Program. Honored guests during Commencement Weekend include members of the classes of 1958 from Concordia Prep and Concordia Junior College.

Commencement will be held at 2:00 p.m. on the quad in front of Scheele Memorial Library, weather permitting. In the event of inclement weather, Commencement will be held in the Meyer Athletic Center, east of Route 22/White Plains Road.