



CANTERBURY SCHOOL

*The
One-Hundred-Ninth
Commencement
Exercises*

MAY 22, 2026 • 11:00 AM

PROGRAM

PROCESSION OF FACULTY AND GRADUATES

11:00 AM..... Commencement Exercises

PROCESSIONAL “Festival March” by Antonio Valenti

INVOCATION Rev. Brendan R. Horan, S.J., Chaplain

REMARKS..... Caroline Blatti, Head of School

AWARDING OF PRIZES

Suzanne Roberts P '24, '27, Associate Head of School

Robert Morris, Director of Athletics & Co-Curriculars

Peter LaVigne P '14, '16, '17, '20, '23, Associate Head of School for Student Life

Caroline Blatti

VALEDICTORY SPEAKER..... Miguel Garcia

AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS

Caroline Blatti

Peter LaVigne P '14, '16, '17, '20, '23

Bob Potter, *2026 Cantuarian dedicatee*

BENEDICTION Rev. Brendan R. Horan, S.J.

RECESSIONAL..... “Trumpet Tune and Aire” by Henry Purcell

NOON Luncheon • Steele Hall, Dining Hall

THE CLASS OF 2026

Sean Acunto
Zeba Yasmin Ahmed ^
Santiago Joaquin Ante Wright **
Nasir Jeffrey Arguello
Serena Alexa Bacetti (CHS) ^
Daniel J. Batstone
Tyler Katherine Bavis
Jaelyn Paige Beauvais (CHS) ** ^
Britton Zane Bethard
Calista Carlotta Lilo Bickers
Julian Raphael Bonasera ** ^
Calleigh Jordin Boord ** ^
Thomas Edward Browne
Landon Bruzzi ^
Brendan Gene Buda ^
Richard Albert Cacioppo
Trent Cantwell Carriero (CHS)
Lyla Marie Cassidy ^
Yifeng Chen ^
Owen Henry Chizmadia
Jonathan G. Chon
Grant Thomas Cieplicki
Gaines Thomas Clonts
Victoria Aurora Concepcion ^
Ian A. Conde
Kaelyn Alyse Darrin ^
Maurice Dassum Creamer
Kathryn Grace Davenport ** ^
Gabrielle Marie Dost
Maleah Dunn ^
Lauren Kristen Elliott *
Connor James Emens
Parker Farnham
Palmer Thomas Fedorcik ^
Lochlan James Finnegan (CHS) ^
Drew Patrick Fitzgerald
Yuge Fu (CHS) ^
Ryan Michael Gабianelli
Miguel Eusebio Garcia (CHS) ** ^
Charlotte Caroline Gayron
Grace Susan Getchell ^
Malachi Gibson
Tucker Oliver Growney
Virginia Guevara Figueroa
Alexander James Halpert ^
Henry Patterson Hauser *
Carter Heagle
Andrew Paul Hehir * ^
Dashiell Quinn Hessler
Cody James Hew ^
Sam Jawor
Yuqi Jia ^
Boyang Jiang (CHS) ^
Lyla Marguerite Kane * ^
Kaitlynn Bobbie Kenna (CHS) ** ^
Lauren Rose Kessing ** ^
Maya Noelle Krett (CHS) ^
Mason James Kuchinski
Paul Lambert
Giovanni Mark LaRusso ^
Jack Michael Lee
Yijun Li (CHS) ^
Yun Lin (CHS) ^
Shelby Jane Little
Margaret Claire Looby
Sebastian Lucio Galvis (CHS)
Michael McEvoy Lynn ^
Dashiell Takagi Mabilon
Sydney Rose Mahler ^
Aden Fuller Manes ** ^
Logan James Martel ^
Gianna Maria Martinez (CHS) ^
Francesca Lucia Masi ^
Jack James McEleney
Abigail Tamzin McGuire
Daniel Michael McGuire (CHS)
Seumas Patrick McMakin
Grayson Scott Mengold (CHS) ^
Christian Vincent Milligan
Mailey Elena Moritz
Caleb Matthew North
Mary Clare O'Meara * ** ^
Victoria Alexandrine Ostrowski ** ^
Lauren Grace Petrillo **
Raven Madison Reaves ^
Hayden Jeffrey Renda
Cole John Retzler
Elias Anthony Richardson ** ^
Devin Rodriguez Guilbe (CHS)
Leah A. Rydingsword (CHS) **
Maggie Rose Samela (CHS) ^
John Julius Schachinger
Peyton Elizabeth Schlosstein (CHS)
Bronwyn Sofia Lily Shefter
Stephany Silva ^
Kieran Francis Spang ^
Jared Douglas Strand (CHS) ^
Olivia Grace Tonelli
Mychal John Walker
Hung Cheung Wang
Patrick Lynn Weaving
Amelia Taylor Welsh ^
Sabrina Wiese
Maximilian Robert Wolff (CHS)
Andres Benjamin Wright
Zekai Zhu ** ^

(CHS) = Member of The Canterbury Honor Society
(*) = Child of Canterbury Graduate
(**) = Sibling of Canterbury Graduate

(***) = Grandchild of Canterbury Graduate
(^) = Four-year member, "Diehard" of the Class of 2026

MAJOR AWARDS

THE J.P. MANDLER TEACHING AWARD

In honor of J.P. Mandler, who served the School for 46 years in the roles of English Department Chair, Director of Studies, Dean of Faculty, Director of Technology, Dean of the School, Senior Master, and Longest-Tenured Faculty Member.

Presented each year to that faculty member who reflects the fundamental commitment to excellence in classroom teaching.

THE ROBERT M. STEELE '72 SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD

In memory of Robert M. Steele, a model scholar-athlete.

For academic and athletic achievement.

THE CHARLES R. HUNTINGTON SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD

In memory of Mr. Huntington, teacher, coach, and Athletic Director from 1969 to 1999.

For academic and athletic achievement.

THE ELIZABETH (BETTY) BURKE AWARD

Given by the family of Mrs. Burke, who served the School from 1964 to 1995 in the roles of faculty spouse, parent, hostess, and school nurse.

For cheerful determination to serve God and others.

THE CLASS OF 1987 CITIZENSHIP AWARD

Presented to the Sixth Former who in the judgment of classmates has best fulfilled obligations to school, to fellow students, and to self.

THE RICHARD L. AND MARY CATHERINE FARRELLY AWARD

Presented to the Sixth Former who serves Canterbury quietly, yet thoroughly.

THE PHILIP H. BRODIE AWARD

In memory of Mr. Brodie, who was a teacher at Canterbury from 1919 to 1921 and 1924 to 1957.

For exceptional achievement and all-around service to the School.

THE DR. NELSON HUME AWARD

Presented to the Sixth Former whose leadership, character, and achievements have been of the highest order, and whose performance embodies the ideals of the founding Headmaster.

Music provided by The Western Connecticut State University Brass Ensemble and Mariah Reisner, carillonneur, playing the Jose M. Ferrer Memorial Carillon.