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# COMMENCEMENT

# 2020

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## ***The Seal of Saint Xavier University***

From its earliest design honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary to the Coat of Arms seal of today, the seal of Saint Xavier University symbolizes a proud history of Catholic education in Chicago.

Designed by Art Department faculty member Sister Mary Solina Hicks, R.S.M., this seal includes a black-and-white checkerboard and diagonal gold bars from the family coat of arms of Saint Francis Xavier, red and gold bars and a white Jerusalem cross taken from the shield of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, an open book to represent education and the Scripture verse: “I am the way, and the truth, and the life.” (John 14:6)

Saint Xavier University continues to use this seal as a symbol of its heritage and mission.



# Congratulations, Graduates!

On behalf of the Saint Xavier University community, we look forward to celebrating your achievements and witnessing your continued success after graduation.

The experience you gained at Saint Xavier has prepared you to lead with confidence and compassion in service of the common good, as called for by our Mercy mission. Today, you begin your next chapter with a deeper understanding of your values and responsibility to help create a more just and humane world. We are confident that the creativity, critical thought, compassion and sense of resolve you demonstrated during your time at Saint Xavier will continue to lift up those around you.

We are grateful for the contributions you have made to our community and are honored to have helped you prepare for a future of professional success and meaningful service. We know the fond memories and lasting friendships you built here will last a lifetime, and we hope you remain active in our alumni network. This sustained connection to SXU helps ensure that those who come after you have access to the same transformative educational experience.

We extend our best wishes as you embark on the next exciting chapter of your story.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Laurie M. Joyner".

Laurie M. Joyner, Ph.D.

President

**"We can never say "it is enough.""**

*Catherine McAuley, Familiar Instructions*



## ***Mission Statement***

Saint Xavier University, a Catholic institution inspired by the heritage of the Sisters of Mercy, educates persons to search for truth, to think critically, to communicate effectively, and to serve wisely and compassionately in support of human dignity and the common good.

## ***University Vision***

Saint Xavier University, the affordable, Catholic Mercy institution, will become known for the strength of its relevant curricular and co-curricular offerings; accomplishments of its faculty, staff and students; robust community engagement; and the success of its graduates.

## ***Core Values***

The Saint Xavier University community commits itself to practicing eight core values as it engages in a search for truth and knowledge, both for personal enhancement and to understand and improve our world.

### **RESPECT**

moves us to understand the gifts and unique contributions of every person in the University community and to value diverse perspectives.

### **EXCELLENCE**

commits us to challenge ourselves to utilize our God-given gifts: intellectual, social, physical, spiritual and ethical.

### **COMPASSION**

compels us to stand with and embrace others in their suffering that, together, we may experience God's liberating and healing presence.

### **SERVICE**

calls us to use our gifts, talents and abilities to advance the genuine well-being of our community and those we encounter.

### **HOSPITALITY**

draws us to do our daily work with a spirit of graciousness that welcomes new ideas and people of all backgrounds and beliefs.

### **INTEGRITY**

gives us the ability to realize the greater good in our actions and programs, and challenges us to look at our work and ourselves holistically and as one united with others across the globe.

### **DIVERSITY**

builds a community that fosters a climate that is open and welcoming to diverse people, ideas and perspectives; that promotes a constructive discourse on the nature of diversity; and that engages faculty, staff and students in activities that promote the University's core values.

### **LEARNING FOR LIFE**

in the liberal arts tradition, encourages us to pursue knowledge and truth throughout our lives in ways that improve our communities and ourselves and that strengthen our understanding of each other.



## Academic Dress

"The formal academic regalia being worn today had its origin in the clerical costumes of medieval Europe and have evolved into a great variety of patterns and styles. Late in the last century, the American colleges and universities agreed to standardize their regalia; however, there is now a movement to return to individual designs for each institution.

The gown worn by those holding or receiving the bachelor's degree is plain black with pointed sleeves. The master's gown was characterized by a unique, long, closed sleeve with a slit at the elbow, through which the arm protruded; this peculiarity is now being replaced by a sleeve more like that of the bachelor's. The doctoral gown has very full bell sleeves and is trimmed with velvet in panels down the front and in strips across the sleeves. This trim may be either black or in a color that denotes the particular type of doctorate – royal blue for the Ph.D., green for the M.D. and various others.

The familiar mortarboard cap bears only a faint resemblance to its close relative, the clerical biretta. Some institutions now specify a soft cap somewhat like a tam o'shanter. The bachelor's decorate the cap with a tassel in black or the color indicative of the degree. Master's wear black tassels; the doctors wear either black or metallic gold.

Most symbolic and informative of the regalia is the hood, which is no longer raised over the head, but is hung down the back, just as a cleric wore it when baring the head in church. The bachelor's hood is three feet long, the master's is three-and-one-half feet, and the doctor's is four feet long with a rectangular panel, which once served as a shoulder cap when the hood was raised. A curious short tail at the peak of the hood is all that now remains of a long strip, which was wrapped around the throat as a scarf. All of the hoods have a velvet border in the color of the degree according to the same system used for the trim of the doctoral gown.

In the Middle Ages, academic hoods were lined with miniver, lamb's wool or rabbit fur – a necessity in unheated schools and churches. By the 14th century, professors wore silk-lined hoods in summer; satin is now used to line the hoods. The colors and patterns of the satin lining of the hood identify the college or university conferring the degree."

Richard C. Pilger, Jr., Marshal Emeritus, Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, Indiana.  
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The following is a list of common academic colors:

Arts, Letters, Humanities	White	Philosophy	Dark Blue
Business, Accounting	Light Brown	Public Health	Salmon Pink
Education	Light Blue	Science	Golden Yellow
Fine Arts	Brown	Social Work	Citron
Music	Pink	Speech	Gold
Nursing	Apricot	Theology, Religious Studies	Scarlet

# **Honorary Degree Recipient**

Citation honoring Mary Clare Loftus '65, RN, M.Ed.

SXU Alumna, Former Trustee and Philanthropist

Upon the conferral by Saint Xavier University of the degree Doctor of Public Service, *honoris causa*



Mary Clare Loftus is a proud and active alumna of Saint Xavier University. She graduated from the School of Nursing with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing in 1965 and received her M.Ed. from Loyola University Chicago in 1973. Mrs. Loftus worked at Mercy Hospital as a staff nurse and nurse instructor and went on to raise four children while embarking on a career of volunteer leadership, most notably, with Saint Xavier.

Mrs. Loftus was a trustee or board chair for the St. John of the Cross Parish School (Western Springs), Thomas Ford Library (Western Springs), Suburban Library System and Lyons Township High School. She was the recipient of the 1998 Western Springs Woman of the Year Award. She and her late husband, Dr. Gerald Loftus, were the 2014 Honorees of Mercy Hospital.

In 1996, Mrs. Loftus joined the Saint Xavier University Board of Trustees, serving from 1996-2007 and 2011-2018. She worked with many trustee committees, including student affairs, advancement and trusteeship. She chaired the Scholarship Ball Committee in 1999, served on the 2003 and 2009 Presidential Search Committee, and the Presidential Advisory Council from 2010-2011. Mrs. Loftus contributed in the planning of the School of Nursing's 75th anniversary celebration, the SXU Golf Classic for the last 23 years and the Class of 1965's 50th Class Reunion, spearheading its fundraising efforts to garner more than \$60,000.

Her contributions to the Saint Xavier community were recognized with the Sister Dorothy Marie Peschon Award in 2005. The Sister Dorothy Marie Peschon 1919 Award is presented to an SXU graduate whose life is marked by "service, compassion and a yearning for knowledge." The recipient of this award creates "an opening to life" for students and embodies the values of the Sisters of Mercy.

Mrs. Loftus and her husband, the late Dr. Gerald Loftus, an orthopedic surgeon, have been among Saint Xavier's most generous lifetime donors and supporters. In recognition of their contributions, the Loftus Room, located in Rubloff Hall, was named in their honor, and the couple received the Shield of Saint Xavier Award in 2011 – the University's highest honor. In 1999, the Loftus family donated to the Chapel Campaign and named the Chapel Cross for their friend Sister Gwendolyn Durkin, R.S.M.

Mrs. Loftus remains engaged in program development and funding student scholarship support. Her dedication to high-quality health care combined with a philanthropic commitment to facilitating access to education has resulted in the Mary Clare and Gerald Loftus Nursing Scholarship. Most recently, Loftus made a substantial commitment to establish the Gerald F. Loftus, M.D., and Mary Clare Loftus, RN, Med Endowed Professorship for SXU's School of Nursing and Health Sciences. This transformational gift is the first professorship named after an individual or family in the University's 175-year history. As a proud School of Nursing alumna, Mrs. Loftus desires for this gift to enhance the prestige and reputation of SXU's Nursing program in perpetuity.

Mrs. Loftus is the proud mother of Mary (Bruce), Amy (Oliver), Brian, and Dan (Jackie); as well as grandmother to Clare, Vivian, Stella, Walker and Dustin.

For this and other pertinent reasons, we are most pleased to confer on Mary Clare Loftus the degree of Doctor of Public Service, *honoris causa*, with all the rights and privileges thereof. Done in Chicago, this 17th day of April 2021.



# ***Commencement Ceremony***

***May 8, 2021***

## **Welcome**

Karen Wood '76, RN, DNSc, CCRN, CNL  
*President, Faculty Senate*  
*Associate Professor, Nursing*

## **Invocation**

Jenny DeVivo '99, ObISB, Ph.D.  
*Executive Director, Mission and Heritage*

## **Opening Remarks**

Michael T. Marsden, Ph.D.  
*Interim Provost*

## **President's Address**

Laurie M. Joyner, Ph.D.

## **Student Speaker**

Angelica Garcia Ochoa  
*Bachelor of Arts, Communication*

## **Conferral of Honorary Degree**

Laurie M. Joyner, Ph.D.

## **Commencement Address**

Mary Clare Loftus '65, RN, M.Ed.  
*Honorary Degree Recipient*

## **Presentation of Candidates**

### **College of Arts and Sciences**

Bindhu Alappat, Ph.D.  
*Interim Dean*

### **Graham School of Management**

Mark S. Rosenbaum, Ph.D.  
*Dean*

### **School of Nursing and Health Sciences**

Gwendolyn George, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC  
*Dean*

## **Alumni Association Welcome**

Taylor Porter '18

## **Closing Remarks**

Karen Wood '76, RN, DNSc, CCRN, CNL

# **College of Arts and Sciences**

Bindhu Alappat, Ph.D., Interim Dean

## **Bachelor of Arts**

Tiffany R. Abrams\*\*  
Gissele Aisline Acosta  
Amarah Hana Alghadban  
Lara A. Al-Kurdi  
Juwan L. Allen  
Tamara N. Alshoweiat  
Lesly I. Anaya  
Trevon S. Anderson  
Alexander M. Avila  
Natalie Badillo  
Isaiah L. Bailey  
Lucio Barboza  
Jennifer Therese Bartman  
Blanca A. Becerra  
Jennifer A. Boardway  
Madelynn R. Bolster  
Karisa L. Brake  
Anthony Demetrius Jackson  
Brantley  
Abriel G. Brooks  
Elisabeth Brooks  
Vincent R. Caprio  
Fernanda A. Carabez  
Christina A. Carmona  
Kristina Monique Carter  
Karla Castrejon  
Leah T. Ceh  
Francesca A. Cepero  
Krista Nicole Chasen  
Mersades R. A. Cook  
Lazaro A. Cortes  
Owen Coyle  
Alexsandra L. Cwik  
Ariana L. Davis  
Harold D. Davis  
Tiasia D. Davis  
Lesli Delabra-Avila  
Abby R. Deninger  
Sirena M. Di Diana

Maria Luida Dorado  
Michael F. Dybalski  
Tomasz Dziubek  
Carlos Escobedo Jr.  
Gabriel Esparza-Tovar  
Yazmin D. Fajardo  
Emma L. Farina  
Abdul Majid Farooqui  
Adilene Ferreira  
Isabel M. Flores  
Vanessa Flores  
Victoria Katherine Flores  
Luis A. Flores Romero  
Evelyn M. Ford  
Trevor Fox  
Zachary J. Frazier  
Abril Fulgencio  
Shannon E. Galvin  
Alexis Garcia  
Gustavo Angel Garcia  
Angelica Garcia Ochoa  
Ashley M. Garrett  
Tiffany N. Georgacopoulos  
Melissa L. Godoy  
Sydney N. Graham  
Chantel M. Gray  
Marie Sharon Grzeskowiak  
Kaneka Guy  
Mayce C. Hassan  
Diana B. Hernandez  
Edgar G. Hernandez  
Iris A. Hernandez  
Janet Hernandez  
Arturo Hernandez Salgado  
Joshua T. Hettiger  
Chi Nu Phuong Huynh  
Julie A. Iazzetto  
Mustafa N. Ismail  
Renita N. Jackson  
Valerie J. Jane  
Melissa A. Jimenez  
Damien A. Johnson  
Tina C. Johnson  
Abiola I. Kamal  
Stephanie L. Katello  
Andrew C. Klimczak  
Matthew Krzeptowski  
Lauren Marie Labanauskas  
Angel L. Laboy  
John J. Laski  
Joine Garrett Leake  
Oscar Lechuga  
Jasmine D. Lee  
Kevin E. Leifker  
Nancy A. Lesnicki  
Brianne R. Lewis  
Brinn R. Lietz  
Magdalini E. Likouresis  
Carlos C. Lopez  
Daniel Lopez  
Yasmine Lopez  
Joseph M. Luna  
Jessa Marie R. Mabellin  
Michael P. Majewski  
Alexandra S. Malivuk  
Yolotzin I. Mancilla  
Miranda Nicole Manis\*  
Johnny Marquez  
Cristina M. Martinez  
Diana C. Martinez  
Magdalena Martinez  
Martha Karina Martinez Aza  
Rosa M. Martínez  
Dunia Hamed Matariyeh  
Lori McCabe  
Monique McHerron  
Jessica Amber McKee  
Daniel J. McLaughlin  
Erin T. McLaughlin  
Jazmine Medina  
Jocelyne Medina  
Sevim Memisovski

# **College of Arts and Sciences**

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Sahar Merdjemak	Tyler David Schipits	Jacob C. Wasik
Ryan C. Minard	Nicholas H. Segura	Jamarri T. Watson
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Lashaunta S. Moore	Robert B. Skrobot	Amber R. Woods
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Dragan Nikin	Mariela Soto	
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Nicole Taylor O'Donnell	Robert J. Staszak	
Elizabeth A. O'Hearn	Noah G. Steinberg	
Patrick D. O'Kelly Jr.	Ashton B. Steinfatt	
Demeri M. Pajic	Colleen M. Sullivan	
Michael A. Pantano	Laura A. Sullivan	
Sekoya J'nae Pelayo*	Megan K. Sullivan	
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Viviana I. Perez	Adaizha R. Taylor	
Saverio Pinto	Frantcheska Kamen	
Mary Kate Ann Pipolo	Tchatchoua	
Lajoyua M. Porter	Robert J. Terrazzano	
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Kevin J. Quaid	Jacqueline Tischina	
Brennan R. Quick	Amin A. Tomalieh	
Ricardo Rangel	Samayra Toribio	
Johnathon T. Rapacz	Caesar Michael Torres	
Nicholas J. Reinert	Maria Ivonne Torres	
Meagan M. Remiasz	Olivia Lyzette Torres	
Daniel Reyes	Paul Kniet Tran	
Mario Reyes Jr.	Aaliyah C. Tripp	
Rebecca Ann Ritter	Alexandria M. Turk	
Christina V. Roman	Dulce A. Valdepena de Jesus	
Lizayra Romero	Elise M. Valencia	
Timothy L. Ryan	Ivan M. Valencia	
Israa J. Salah-Hamideh	Brandon A. Vargas	
Daniel O. Samaniego	Nicholas F. Vazquez	

\*Honors Core \*\*Honors Scholar

# *College of Arts and Sciences*

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Christopher J. Biernack	Deanna Kabro	Juhaina Jamal Sooman
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Hannah L. Dado	Jessica Elizabeth Luvianos	Esmeralda Velasco
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Fernando Diaz	Alejandra Martinez	Brittany R. Vermillion
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Justin T. Grochowski	Melissa Perez	Damian R. Zylski
Dayana Guerrero	Nicholas C. Rhoades	
Brittany Guhr	Salma Venecia Rodriguez	
Michael Gutierrez	Sean P. Roland	
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Diana S. Guzman	Ronaldo D. Rueda Vega	
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Marlena Grace Hall	Courtney M. Saldana	
Dariusz Halupka	Alondra D. Sanchez	
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# ***College of Arts and Sciences***

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## **Master of Arts**

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Martin E. Deskovich  
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Michael J. Farrell  
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Lorena Jauregui-Dominguez  
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Megan K. Phillips  
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## **Master of Arts in Teaching**

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Mary E. Reynolds  
David A. Rigor  
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## **Master of Science in Medical Sciences**

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# **Graham School of Management**

Mark S. Rosenbaum, Ph.D., Dean

## **Bachelor of Business Administration**

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Josephine M. Delisi  
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Matthew P. Gilles  
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Tyra A. Harrington  
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Suselle Ibarra  
Brenton R. Johnson  
John Anthony Jurcev III  
Aleksandra Wiktoria Kaszuba  
Colleen M. Kelly  
Maryam H. Khaleq  
Ashley Ann Kilcoyne  
Natalia Klekotko  
Andrew C. Klimczak  
Miranda C. Konley  
Kylee Jo Krippel  
Aaron R. Kummer  
Odalys Lara  
Elias B. Leyva Bibiano  
Brian Malachy Loftus  
Juan J. Lopez  
Timothy S. Love  
Federico Magana  
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Maria C. Marquez  
Jacqueline F. Marquez  
Sarah L. Marszewski  
Alex J. Martinez  
Joseph Patrick McErlean  
Yarisa Virginia Mejia  
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Theodore F. Mirasol  
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Martin Moreno  
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Katherine E. Musa  
Christian Nava  
Klaudia Y. Nosal  
Abigail Ortiz  
Yaricza Patino  
Kamile Petraityte\*  
Brittany L. Petrowsky  
Diana Piatek  
Patrycja Przybylowicz  
Claudia Maya Puskarz  
Fabiola Rabadan  
Fawzi A. Ramadan  
Vicente Ramirez  
Haley Madison Reiher  
Nallely Renteria  
Michael J. Ribando  
Dale F. Riley  
Erika J. Rodea Campa  
Roberto Rodriguez  
Sean P. Roland  
Anibal Anthony Romo  
Ruben M. Saavedra  
Malaak Mohammad Saleh  
Tariq Samhan  
Sebastian M. Santiago  
Daniel W. Schaffrath  
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# **Graham School of Management**

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Theoni A. Tejeda	Jason Cooper Cartwright	Hatim Nassan
Patricia L. Terry	Sheila Marie Connolly	Barielup G. Nyone
Jason P. Toms	Megan Marie Conroy	Omar S. Obeidat
Krystalyn Torres	Jamon T. Craig	Tina Olsen
Sara J. Tully	Jose Ramon Diaz Jr.	Evelyn Yael Oropeza
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Rafael Valencia	Daniel Ebert - Balzano	William B. Perez
Stephanie Valencia	Neil J. Evans	Matthew Ryan Polick
Emma Vanegas	Randa M. Figuigui	Elvin Poole Jr.
Daniel J. Vazquez	Odalis FitzPatrick	Alexander James Pruefer
Julian A. Villa	Gabriel Flores	Angela Lucia Pusateri
William James Walsh	Jack A. Gainer	Norberto J. Ramos
Joyce Wences	Alec R. Gomez	Elizabeth A. Rapacz
Nia N. Westbrook	Charlotte Gertrude Gonzalez	Alicia Roberson
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Kewanna L. Zachery	Colleen Hanrahan	Anthony James Simulis
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Ronnie Zeidan	Gene Eric Hugh	Jennifer N. Soto
	Samuel W. Insley	Vanessa Suchecki
	John Henry Johnson	Tayler A. Tillman
	Yuvair B. Jones	Kaira Alyse Turner
	Leticia A. Kaner	Lauren Christine Voytal
	Brian Lee Kelley	Sara Weber
	Cody W. Klaver	Joseph D. Wild
	Serguey Klemens	Nick Zattair
	Jonathan W. Lestarczyk	
	Brian M. Lipman	
	Stacey Ann Lucas	
	Sarah C. Luce	
	David P. Marciano	
	Michael Stephen McGinnis	
	Brittany M. Meeker	
	Christian Michalik	

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Deanna L. Bonder

# ***Graham School of Management***

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## **Master of Science**

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Mateusz Szlachta

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teach me to cast my whole self into the arms of Thy Providence

with the most lively unlimited confidence

in Thy compassionate, tender pity.

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that whatever Thou dost ordain or permit

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nothing to delight me, but the hope of coming

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