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Dear Parents,

Congratulations to your senior on their graduation and whatever exciting path they are choosing next! As they embark on this transformative new journey—whether it's college, military service, or a professional career—we want to help them maintain and strengthen their connection to their faith.

Encourage Your Senior to Stay Connected with Faith Forward.

During this crucial time of transition, finding a supportive community is vital. We want to ensure your young Catholic discovers that sense of belonging within a Catholic faith community wherever they go.

That's why we are partnering with **Newman Connection**, a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping college students stay connected to their faith. Through their initiative, **Faith Forward**, we are encouraging every graduating senior to connect with their next faith community now.

How Faith Forward Helps:

By signing up through the Newman Connection's **Faith Forward** initiative, your senior's information is sent directly to the campus minister or military chaplain at their future location. This allows a representative from the Catholic community to personally reach out to them before they even arrive—helping them feel welcomed and known from day one.

Why Pursuing a Catholic Faith Community Matters:

A Catholic community provides your child with a vital support system:

- **A Place to Belong:** They will find a community of like-minded friends who share their values.
- **Continued Growth:** They will have opportunities to deepen their faith through

worship, retreats, and small faith-sharing groups.

- **Guidance and Support:** Dedicated campus ministers, young adult ministers, and priests are there to offer spiritual direction and mentorship.

What to Expect (On Campus or Beyond):

The Catholic Church's official community at universities is often called a **Newman Center** or **Catholic Campus Ministry**.

Your young Catholic will find:

- **Worship:** Sunday and weekday Mass, Adoration, and Reconciliation.
- **Community:** Retreats, faith-sharing groups, and social events (dinners, game nights, service projects).
- **Leadership:** Opportunities to take on roles that shape the community.

If your senior is entering the military or a professional career, they can still find a faith community. Faith Forward is here to help them connect!

We strongly encourage you to speak with your seniors about the importance of finding their Catholic community and urge them to sign up for **Faith Forward** today.

It takes just 30 seconds to sign up: <https://signupnc.newmanministry.com/>



Let's help our students continue to grow in their faith as they embark on this journey.

In Christ,

Assumption High School