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*Ruth S. Coleman*  
*College of Nursing and Health Sciences*  
*Pinning Ceremony*

*Thursday, May 18, 2017*  
*6:00 pm*

Joan Steele Stein Center for Communication Studies/Fine Arts  
Northwestern Mutual Art Gallery

# PROGRAM

## PROCESSIONAL

*Music For The Royal Fireworks La Rejouissance by Handel*

## WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Kelly J. Dries, PhD, RN, *Dean, Ruth S. Coleman College of Nursing and Health Sciences*

## INVOCATION

Yvonne Awuku, *Bachelor of Science in Nursing Graduate*

## CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE

James P. Loftus, PhD, *President*

## VIDEO PRESENTATION

Bachelor of Science in Nursing Graduates

## DISTRIBUTION OF PINS

Kelly J. Dries, PhD, RN

*Presentation of Graduates*

Eva Marie Nitka, MSN, RN, *Assistant Professor*

Sharon Haas, MSN, RN, *Instructor*

## NURSING PLEDGE

Noel Albiniak, *Bachelor of Science in Nursing Graduate*

## CLOSING REMARKS

Jeffrey D. Senese, PhD, *Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs*

Kelly J. Dries, PhD, RN

## CLOSING PRAYER (All)

Peace Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

## RECESSIONAL

*The Four Seasons (Spring I) by Vivaldi*



**Ruth S. Coleman**  
**College of Nursing and Health Sciences**  
**Nursing Graduates**

*Noel Albiniak*

*Yvonne Awuku*

*Grisel Benitez*

*Mary Bennett*

*Eyan Her*

*Madelyn Meyer*

*Megan Ramsey*

*Stephanie Ruppel*

**Tradition of the Nursing Pin and Candle Lighting**

**Nursing Pin**

The pinning ceremony is a symbolic welcoming of newly graduated nurses into the nursing profession. Students receive their nursing pins after meeting program requirements for completion of the nursing program. The pinning ceremony also includes recitation of the Nurse's Pledge. Each school of nursing has its own unique nursing pin and only graduates of that school may wear the pin. The Cardinal Stritch University nursing pin depicts the University logo adopted in 2012, the year the University celebrated its 75th anniversary. The rose window icon resembles the rose window found at the Basilica of St. Clare in Assisi, Italy. The rose window was chosen to honor the University's rich history and the legacy of the Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi and to convey the historical and religious context of the University.

**Candle Lighting**

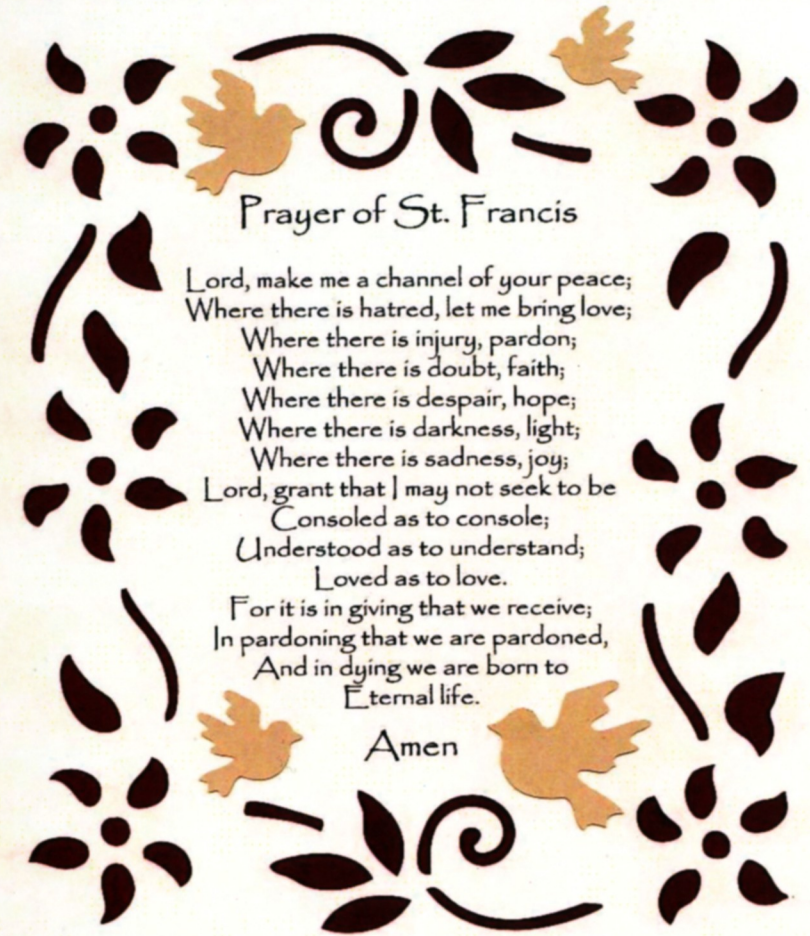
The candle lighting commemorates Florence Nightengale's history of helping wounded soldiers at night by candlelight. Lighting the candle reminds nurses of the rich history of serving the underserved. The light which surrounds an individual, has an important bearing on their health, comfort, ability to perform the task at hand, and sense of well-being. Cardinal Stritch University, founded in 1932, was originally named St. Clare College after St. Clare, a follower of St. Francis. As a young woman, St. Clare, whose name means "light", loved and cared for the poor in her community. During the nursing pinning ceremony, each student will light a candle to honor St. Clare, Florence Nightengale, the University, and the profession of nursing.

## *The Nursing Pledge*

I pledge myself before God, as a member of the nursing profession, and in the presence of this gathering, to practice my profession faithfully.

I will do all in my power to maintain and elevate the standards of my profession and to contribute to the betterment of these standards.

I will use the knowledge gained in making sound nursing judgments and will be held responsible and accountable not only to myself but to those who are entrusted to my care and under my management.



*Please join us in the Joan Steele Stein Center Lobby for  
a reception sponsored by the  
Ruth S. Coleman College of Nursing  
and Health Sciences*

Please turn off cell phones.  
Photographs and videotaping are permitted.