

*A Tribute to*

**THE CLASS OF**

**1963**

*For us, the Juniors, Don Bosco College does not have just another class of graduating students this year. The graduating class of this year is our own class of seniors.*

*Much is to be said to a friend as he embarks on a mission to some uncharted land. More is to be said when he is leaving the company of friends who wish him well and will miss him.*

*That is the way we feel about you who are our seniors. We will miss your friendly spirit of comradeship and the zest which you put into everything. You have always been faithful, as your motto declares.*

*It is to you, men with a mission before you which is a step towards our common goal, that we dedicate this little effort of appreciation.*

*We are sure that you will be semper fidelis, as you have always shown yourselves to be.*

*Don Bosco College*

Office of the Director  
Don Bosco College  
Newton, New Jersey  
June 19, 1963

Dear Graduate of 1963,

You have reached an important date in your life, Graduation Day. You have been educated to practise what you have learned in the past four years at Don Bosco College in the spiritual, intellectual and educational fields according to the principles of our Father, Don Bosco.

Leaving your Alma Mater, you carry with you this treasure from which you must, and I am sure you will, draw abundant fruit, during your apostolate as educators and teachers and as future priests of God, working for others. This treasure has been built up by years of hard work on your part and on the part of your teachers. Increase it ever more by further studies and by the constant practise of what it contains. Don't let it become stagnant. And remember that while you learn the theory from books, it is from your Superiors that you will learn how to apply this theory to the Salesian Apostolate.

It goes without saying that all this has to be raised up to a supernatural level, for there, too, you have a treasure to possess and increase. You have learned at the Seminary how to keep it alive for your own spiritual welfare.

In your apostolate you are bound to find some difficulties and you will have to make some decisions. Draw them from this treasury. Be humble enough to recognize your limitations, and remain always united in heart and in spirit with your confreres. See the welfare of the souls of the youths concerned. And have a great trust in the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Our Blessed Mother, and Don Bosco. Have confidence in them, and in yourself also. For in this way you are bound to reach ultimate success.

You have what it takes to make a good Salesian, a Priest of God.

Always in Don Bosco,

## OUR FACULTY

*Rev. Aloysius M. Bianchi, SDB, Director*

*Rev. Mark Ferrito, SDB, Prefect*

<i>Rev. Theodore Ciampi, SDB</i>	Education
<i>Rev. Dominic DeBlase, SDB</i>	Physics and Mathematics
<i>Rev. Joseph Herzog, SDB</i>	Music
<i>Rev. Francis Klauder, SDB</i>	Philosophy and Religion
<i>Rev. Ignatius Kozik, SDB</i>	Latin and Greek
<i>Rev. Mario Mich, SDB</i>	History
<i>Rev. Joseph Occhio, SDB</i>	Philosophy
<i>Rev. Henry Sarnowski, SDB</i>	Sociology and Economics
<i>Rev. Anthony Spano, SDB</i>	Biology and Chemistry
<i>Rev. Emero Steigman, SDB</i>	English
<i>Rev. Vincent Zuliani, SDB</i>	Languages and Philosophy

Don Bosco College  
Newton, New Jersey  
June 10, 1963

Dear Father Director and Faculty Members:

As we seniors leave Don Bosco College for other Salesian Houses, there is uppermost in our minds the thought of gratitude. Gratitude to all our superiors for giving us part of themselves. But that part of themselves which they gave us is not completely expressible in words; it has been that personal dedication mainly which has constituted a great part of our education.

Ideals are not given; in a sense, they "wear off"; and it redounds to all of you that we have been able to gain such high ideals.

Primarily, thanks goes to you, Father Director, who above all others are responsible for our being here and for being what we are. It all began in the Novitiate, when you were our Master of Novices, our spiritual father; and it continued after Profession when you came to direct the College. Your skillful management of souls and men have gained our admiration, and your kindly way has gone far to help us along our path more surely and firmly than before.

We do not feel that it is possible to adequately express our sincere gratitude to you, Father Director, for all your efforts in guiding and forming us. We can only pray that God will reward you as only He can, and we assure you that we will never forget Father Aloysius, our beloved Master of Novices and Director.

*Dennis Froebler*

*David Purdy*

*Jack Gibson*

*Joseph Sciame*

*Hugh Forgeron*

*Paul Sheehan*

*John Vetere*

*Floyd Rotunno*

*Jules Leriche*

*Thomas Berntson*

*Ralph Giarnella*

*Francis Twardzik*

*Terence O'Donnell*

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**SEMPER**

**FIDELIS**

JUNIOR ROSTER

Ralph Bastidas

Rafael Bastidas

Robert Bauer

Bob Bauer

Paul Cossette

Paul Cossette

Andre Cote

André Côté

Tom Curry

Tom Curry

Brad Doty

Brad Doty

Bob Dugan

Bob Dugan

Tony Fasulo

Tony Fasulo

Mike Fisher

Mike Fisher

Henry Forschino

Henry Forschino

Ray Gabler

Ray Gabler

John Grinsell

John Grinsell

Emmanuel Hidalgo

Manuel Hidalgo

Al Hurley

Al Hurley

Dave Lansford

Dave Lansford

Dan Morales

Daniel Morales

Harry Rogers

Harold Rogers

Terry Sheehy

Terry Sheehy

Russell Sullivan

Russell Sullivan

SOPHS

Bob Chretien  
Tony Cosacchi  
? Dennis Cox  
Peter Day  
Tom Dunne  
George Harkins  
Vincent Inghilterra  
Gilles Lefebvre  
Dick McCormick  
Larry Mullaly  
Fred Nebel  
Bob Peluse  
? Ken Roberts  
Bill Sandquist  
Mike Santamorina  
? Tony Smaldone  
? Bill Steinmetz  
? Mike Sullivan  
Vincent Taliercio  
Jean-Marie Trepanier  
? Dominic Vautier  
Richard Wanner  
Ray Xifo

Frank Caruso  
Bob Cio  
Jim Cox  
Joe Hannon  
Tom Jaso  
Martin Kilgallen  
Paul Klimowicz  
Jack McClure  
Gerald McMenamin  
Joe Mahoney  
Peter Malloy  
Carlos Pena  
Napoleon Pitre  
Jim Sangillo  
Ray Teurfs  
Bob Walsh  
Bob Ziniti

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HEARTFELT APPRECIATION

and GRATITUDE

for

the GENEROUS DEDICATION

of our COADJUTOR BROTHERS

Bro. Vincent Nassetta

Bro. Vincent Nassetta

Bro. Joseph Traina

Bro. Joe Traina

Bro. Roxie Marotta

Bro. R. J. Marotta

Bro. Joseph Tortorici

Bro. Joe Tortorici

Bro. Gerard Harasym

Gerard Harasym

Bro. Thomas Zanon

Thomas Zanon

Bro. David Iovacchini

David Iovacchini

*In his college years at Newton, Jules has strung up one accomplishment after another in the form of examples. True to the pattern of his class, Jules has been a leader for many years. No one who ever saw him work will deny that he is one of the most diligent and indomitable workers the college has seen in a long while.*

*Jules thrives on work. He almost breathes it. The tougher and longer the job, the more "vigab" he puts into it. A man who lives up to a challenge and usually comes off the better man, Jules has become an example of the type of Salesian the "new frontier" of Canada needs and will get.*

*With his keen mind he has often sought new answers to old questions, and more often than not he found them.*

*Everyone has the highest expectations for the "rich man's" future especially because of his stamina and cheery attitude. We are sure that when the Salesians attack the vast lands of Canada, Jules will be in the vanguard and will be doing the most difficult of the tasks on hand, and he'll do it well.*

About some people it can be said that they are so quiet, you hardly realize they are present. This is not the case with T.O.D. He may be the quiet type, but his activity gives him away every time.

There is no one who takes up a job more seriously or with more enthusiasm than Terry. He has become an invaluable assistant to the Registrar's office. In a place where precision and accuracy is the password, Terry stands out as just that.

His years at camp have shown us how one can remain calm and collected and continue to get things done efficiently.

Terry has always presented to us the picture of a helpful confrere. Quiet humor and common sense have brought him the admiration and hearty thanks of all. There is nothing one appreciates so much in a companion as kindness. This, so to speak, is Terry's real claim to greatness. He is a kindly, helpful friend to all, and as such we will always remember him.

*There are some people who like to class themselves as men of wide culture or deep knowledge. But our version of a well-rounded man holds more than that. Paul Sheehan is such a man (aside from any other connotations). Paul especially deserves the title because of varied interests.*

*We all hold in awe his magical voice that ranges from a bass sostenuto to a mellifluous tenor vibrato. Besides having an extended vocal range, Paul is a talented organist, orchestra man, and, at times, choir director. His singing and ready wit have added to many an entertainment.*

*Paul has made himself felt as a real leader here at D.B.C. We are sure that this fine asset, combined with his multiranged talents and interests, will make him as much a benefit to other Salesian houses as he has been here.*

*It goes without saying that we will remember him for his many qualities long after he heads for new territories.*

People have often spoken of this man as a liberal travelling incognito. At once you are struck by his modest demeanor and a quiet neatness. As soon as you peer deeply into his friendly glance you can spot "that something" which Francis has. "That something" which has brought him to various posts and trusts of sodality leadership in the past. And you can see it when he organizes a small choral group to sing one of his own beautiful little compositions.

Liberal or conservative, whatever term you tack onto him, he wears it well. This year his job as sacristan has given D.B.C. as much dedication as it has ever had in that department.

His chapel decorations, for instance, never gave the hint of ostentation, yet they helped us all to enjoy the spirit of each season.

We are all sure that as Francis graduates from the College, a diligent friend with a cheerful reserve will have gone one step closer to the goal of his life.

Some people get a real enjoyment out of teasing. Fernand is one such man. Although he likes to make people think he's got vitriol instead of blood in his veins, anyone who lives with the man can see through this ruse.

You see, he has a soft heart; that is the truth of the matter and the reason why he has always tried to be so witty. Many of his keener jokes are still circulating; others have been passed over.

He is also a man with strength of will and drive. One summer he spent all his time working hard for Father Prefect and never let up on himself. That is characteristic of him, and also quite redolent of Don Bosco's recipe for a good Salesian. Just name the task and rely on Fernand to complete it.

He will be a real asset to our Canadian province and is sure to hold a chapter position in his life, maybe even before ordination. We will miss his heart and witticisms.

These are the ways we have of saying we wish him well in all he does, knowing that he will wear well the name of Salesian.

Dave Purdy is another of the great seniors we have been talking about. For the past two years, however, he has been steering clear of the college. Father Peter grabbed him one day and found out that he works--I mean he does a lot of work!

When it comes to work Dave is in true form. There is no room for a "take it easy" attitude with him. He has a responsible head on his broad shoulders, and he has merited some of the toughest positions one can have.

His boilermaker energy has a steam outlet in humor. It is a fact that caricature at D.B.C. has made quick advances because of him. For the last four years Dave has gone a long way towards contributing to the family spirit here at the College.

Everyone seems to bank on Dave to quicken spirits, lighten moods, and cheer the atmosphere; and he has reliably responded.

This is merely repeating the evident fact that we all consider Dave as a jovial fellow with the true Salesian spirit of sacrifice and fun. We don't know if Don Bosco is watching the bread he puts away, but our Saint cannot miss this senior's work and will have a large chunk of happiness waiting for him someday as a reward for the happiness he has brought to many.

*New York's Lincoln Center has its Van Cliburn and Leonard Bernstein, but it has nothing on us. We have, that's right, Floyd Rotunno, a pianist and choir master in his own right.*

*But that is nothing compared to the spirit of comradeship which has warmed everyone to him. There is not one underclassman who does not enjoy talking with him.*

*It is true that Floyd has run the gamut of offices starting with the sodality trusts and on up to that of assistant. One is not quite sure at which level of the hierarchy the job of Secretary to the Rev. Prefect of Studies is. But let's slide over these things and talk about Floyd. We are sure that he is going to be remembered for his wonderful qualities through many years. He is an organization man of the sort that organizes when your back is turned, does the work and hands you the finished product when you turn around again.*

*He is an organizer, an effective leader, a good musician and all that: but the thing we want to remember him by is his friendly spirit. The talents he has are quite overshadowed by a magnanimous spirit and a helping heart. We thank him for being himself.*



*"Let's go fellas. How 'bout a game?"*

*Sure enough, Joe Sciame is hustling around again trying to spark our latent energies with his zestful leadership and competitive spirit. If there would be such a thing as a Salesian sparkplug, Joe would be the man to manufacture it.*

*Joe, in those days way back when he was an underclassman, first showed his drive by bringing home one high mark after another during school hours. Then on the ball field he'd bring home runs.*

*If anything shows up more than his dedication to Salesian ideals, it can only be his enthusiasm. This enthusiasm is the catching thing about Joe. If you want to interest someone in a subject, you have to be interested yourself.*

*Joe has brought home this value to us and we are sure that this same value will carry him over waves tougher than D.B.C. has yet furnished.*

*Yes, best of all Joe has shown us how to face a challenge, for a challenge is his game. "Batter up, Joe, bring home the runs!"*

We are sure that Ralph will be sent to some house where the Prefect is deserving of a reward. Ralph is known to be a man of many talents. Useful talents predominate in this man of the practical intellect. Electricians envy his poise and learning. The learned admire his knack for getting things done.

He organizes, sponsors, and directs things like the Blue Devils, the class Christmas-time decorations, and sodalities. In sum, he is an all-round man. He is even nice about it when you're late for serving!

But all these things are really secondary to his person. In him one cannot help but see a kindly spirit and a friendly hand to help on any request.

He really deserves a medal for showing us how to take a joke. But this too is well in keeping with the "great guy" feeling one gets about him when talking to Ralph. If one needs a boost, it's best to associate with cheerful people; Ralph is such a person. Nothing but the best can be expected from one of the best.

## JACK GIBSON

*There's a fellow here who always lives on the sunny-side of the street. Jack Gibson has always held to the limelight, and more often than not it was well worth the candle power.*

*Dynamism is one of the four outstanding marks of Jack's personality. The other three are pleasantness, diligence and kindness. We are afraid that some of his virtues might be skipped, so we will not speak of them all.*

*Many have been attracted by the light which radiates from his person. Some have concluded that it was due to external traits, but anyone who lives with Jack for a short time only is able to see that it is really, in fact, his dynamic tenacity in doing his duty which sets him apart as a Salesian non-pareil. This is the thing for which we will most remember him.*

*Jack is of the mold of those who are true shepherds and if he would be called to help anyone in things great or small, you know he'd be there to do it. There is hardly a better quality in a man than reliability, and Jack has shown he has the stuff of a great man.*

*In two short years Hugh Forgeron has shown the powers man has for adaptability and environmental adjustment. Hugh came right thru the door, sat down and said, "Skip the formalities; what's good for me is good for Hugh"; and winning all hearts with his open, frank and slightly left-bank approach, he came unto his own.*

*Characteristically, Hugh often camouflages his keen mind behind divergent interests, and his "open-door spirit" is generally well-suited to cull the fallacy from any argument.*

*His spirit of adaptability, so to speak, is an all-out effort of good will to understand and enjoy everything and everybody. Basically, this hallmarks a truly Christian spirit. Kindness for others, which so marks him before us, has been deeply felt by us all. Anyone who can endear himself so quickly can be assured of a future greater than words can predict. Such we be-his.*

*"Hand me my parka, man, I'm going skating!"*

*Not the least of the things for which Denny will be missed is his athletic ability. The Brothers' hockey squad will find him an irreplaceable man; other teams will miss him, and the Golden Bears will too. But most of all he deserves commendation for the team playing he fosters.*

*Yes, Denny Froehler is one of the most highly regarded brothers. He is held in high esteem by us and the faculty alike. His tact and good stock of common sense and unassuming friendship have shown up especially during his assisting up on the hill and here below in -----.*

*We were all proud of him when he got the opportunity to be assistant of the novices, and we were glad to have him back with us this year. If one can engender feelings like that it goes without saying that he must be a terrific fellow! We can stop here for that matter. By saying he is a terrific fellow, we say what we all mean, think and feel about him. The Salesian Society holds vast opportunities for a man with such a personality; and certainly Denny will get them and develop into a Salesian hard to excell.*

## JOHN VETERE

*It is hard to resist kidding John Vetere. He seems to be a person with whom all get along and enjoy knowing.*

*A born pleaser, he has that "omnia omnibus" touch which endears him to all who meet him. As an ex-cabin counselor he took up various duties in the College. The confidence the superiors have in him is eloquently shown by the number and types of positions he has filled.*

*As haberdasher he did a fine job of keeping the community in style - well, almost - despite rumors of deficits in the inventories. Later on John moved to the Stationery department and remained there through his senior year.*

*John also moved up the sodality-officer echelon to the position of president, and he ably filled this duty.*

*As part of the "omnia omnibus" plan John has neatly integrated his pleasing personality into attitudes of diligence and constant application. These carry over strongly into all he does; they cannot fail to make him a man who will have Success for a companion in all his undertakings.*