

Vincentian Heritage Convocation

September 24, 2026 | 4:30 p.m.
Alumni Chapel | Niagara University

NIAGARA UNIVERSITY | Celebrating 170 YEARS

Master of Ceremonies.....Simon Gray
Associate Vice President for Athletics

Mace Bearer .....Craig Rivera, Ph.D.,
Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice
Faculty Mission Director

The National Anthems ..... *O Canada*
The Star-Spangled Banner
Paige Tomlinson, '27
Theatre Performance

Invocation ..... Rev. Joseph Hubbert, C.M.
University Chaplain

Welcome.....Jamie Carr, Ph.D.
Professor of English
Associate Provost

Vincentian Mission Award Presented to
Melissa A. Heidt, B.A.
Manager of Operations
Holzschuh College of Business Administration
Niagara University

Rev. Thomas A. Judge, C.M. Award Presented to
Rev. John A. Cooper Jr.
Executive Director
Niagara Gospel Mission
Niagara Falls, N.Y.

St. Jean Gabriel Perboyre, C.M. Medal Presented to
Mateo Gruosso, '27
Education | Vincentian Scholar
Niagara University

Doctor of Humane Letters, Honoris Causa Presented to
Sr. Ellen Marie Hagar, D.C.
Executive Director
Vincentian Family Office

Keynote Address .....Sr. Ellen Marie Hagar, D.C.

President's Remarks .....Rev. James J. Maher, C.M.
President | Niagara University

Benediction .....Allison Moran, '29
Early Childhood Education

Recessional