



**2017  
SENIOR AWARDS CEREMONY**

**Dr. Jeffrey Budz, President/Principal**

Welcome.....

**INTRODUCTION OF READERS BY DR. JEFFREY BUDZ, PRESIDENT/PRINCIPAL**

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the names to be read this evening. Please forgive us if your name was not read or is misspelled on your certificate and inform us of the error.

As a reminder, please silence all cell phones and pagers so that there will be no distractions during this ceremony.

The readers for this evening will be:

**Mr. Kevin Las, Dean of Students and Mrs. Christina Kinsella, Assistant Dean of Students**

**SPECIAL NON-SCHOOL AWARDS:**

**Presenter: Mrs. Amy Douglas, Academic Resource Center Coordinator**

At this time, we would like the following students who have been recognized for outstanding accomplishments by associations and agencies related to secondary schools to come forward when your name is read. Please hold your applause until all students in each category have been recognized. The following students are asked to step forward when their name is read:

**CLAY BRISCOE** received the **Joliet Junior College Foundation Scholarship**.

**MEAGHAN FISCHER** received the **Albert J. Felman Fund College Scholarship**.

**MATTHEW LAVIOLA** received the **Rotary Club of Joliet Scholarship**.

**SHANNON QUINN** received the **Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship**.

**JACK SURIN** received the **National Society of the Sons' of the American Revolution Outstanding Citizenship Award** in recognition of the Highest Ideals of Character and Citizenship.

**KELLY TESTIN** received the **Joliet Junior Woman’s Club Alisha and Ava Bromfield Memorial Scholarship**, the **Holly Club Barbara J. Rakowski Volunteerism Scholarship**, the **Plainfield Junior Woman’s Club Scholarship**, the **Rotary Club of Joliet Scholarship**, and the **Shorewood HUGS Scholarship**.

**ALYSSA ZADEL** received the **Pax Christi “Instrument of Peace Award”** for actively incorporating the principles of Catholic social teaching in her life.

**PLEASE GIVE THEM A WELL DESERVED ROUND OF APPLAUSE.**

**ESCC AWARDS**

**Presenter: Mr. Daniel Sharp, Athletic Director**

Special recognition is given to the recipients of the **EAST SUBURBAN CATHOLIC CONFERENCE SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARD**. Please hold your applause until all names have been read. The ESCC pays tribute to the following student athletes:

<b>CLAIRE ALLGOOD</b>	<b>TENNIS</b>
<b>MCKENNA CARLSON</b>	<b>DANCE</b>
<b>LAUREN CRUDO</b>	<b>TRACK</b>
<b>ALEXANDER DEMOS</b>	<b>TENNIS</b>
<b>JENNIFER FILOTTO</b>	<b>GOLF</b>
<b>EVA GREDER</b>	<b>CROSS COUNTRY</b>
<b>JAMES HINES</b>	<b>TENNIS</b>
<b>ALEXANDER KHATER</b>	<b>SWIMMING</b>
<b>BRYCE KURTZ</b>	<b>GOLF &amp; HOCKEY</b>
<b>MATTHEW LAVIOLA</b>	<b>TRACK</b>
<b>JOSHUA LEMKE</b>	<b>CROSS COUNTRY</b>
<b>CHRISTOPHER MUELLER</b>	<b>TENNIS</b>
<b>SHANNON QUINN</b>	<b>CROSS COUNTRY &amp; TRACK</b>
<b>DANIELLE SCUDDER</b>	<b>BASKETBALL, CROSS COUNTRY &amp; SOCCER</b>
<b>SAMUEL SENEKER</b>	<b>BASEBALL</b>
<b>CHRISTOPHER SHERMAN</b>	<b>TENNIS</b>

<b>JACK SURIN</b>	<b>BASKETBALL &amp; BASEBALL</b>
<b>REILLY JO SWANSON</b>	<b>SOFTBALL</b>
<b>KELLY TESTIN</b>	<b>CROSS COUNTRY</b>
<b>SYDNE WEIS</b>	<b>CHEER</b>

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**NATIONAL FRENCH CONTEST**

**Presenter: Mrs. Florence Austrums, World Language Department Chairperson**

The **National French Contest** awarded a **Certificate of Honorable Mention in French IV** to the following students:

**ALEXANDER KHATER**

**ERICA MARTINEZ**

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**FR. NORMAN G. WERLING SCHOLARSHIP**

**SCHMIDT/KUHN SCHOLARSHIP**

**Presenter: Mrs. Kristin Horn, Counselor and Financial Aid Coordinator**

The **FR. NORMAN G. WERLING ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP** was established at Joliet Catholic Academy with a generous gift from Mr. James J. Korst, JCHS Class of 1949. The interest from this fund will be used to assist graduates of JCA to attend college full time. The recipient of this award must have good academic credentials, evidence of involvement in school activities, and a plan to major in a scientific discipline in college.

Recipients of the **Fr. Norman Werling Scholarship** are:

**AUDEREY GREDER**

**KELLY TESTIN**

The **MR. and MRS. FREDERICK W. SCHMIDT, SR., and MINNIE KUHN SCHOLARSHIP** represents the dedication to education by Frederick Schmidt who provided the scholarship funds through his will. It was his intention that recipients be academically qualified and that the scholarship be used for advanced education. It is our pleasure to announce that Mr. & Mrs. Frederick W. Schmidt, Sr. and Minnie Kuhn Scholarships have been awarded to the following students:

**CLAIRE ALLGOOD**

**EVA GREDER**

**SHANNON QUINN**

**SHELBI VOSS**

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**AT THIS TIME, WE WILL DISTRIBUTE CERTIFICATES AND MEDALS FOR ACADEMIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS DURING THE JCA 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR.**

**CERTIFICATE OF HONOR IN ONE FIELD OF STUDY**

The following students have achieved outstanding academic honors in **ONE FIELD OF STUDY**, and therefore are awarded a **CERTIFICATE OF HONOR** in that field. When your name is called please come forward to receive your certificate. Please hold your applause until all names have been read.

**Presenter: Ms. Katie Drabik and Mrs. Natalie Minarich, Senior Class Moderators**

**THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ARE ASKED TO STEP FORWARD:**

<b>NAME.....</b>	<b>AWARD.....</b>
<b>ITATI ACOSTA</b>	Certificate - U.S. Government
<b>NICHOLAS BAFUNDO</b>	Certificate - Algebra III
<b>JAMES BLAKE</b>	Certificate - International Relations
<b>MCKENNA CARLSON</b>	Certificate - U.S. Government
<b>GIA DALESANDRO</b>	Certificate - Pre-Calculus
<b>EMMA EHRSAM</b>	Certificate - Statistics
<b>AMANDA GRUBER</b>	Certificate - Journalism / Newspaper
<b>JOSEPH HARVEY</b>	Certificate - Earth and Space Science
<b>JAMES HINES</b>	Certificate - English IV
<b>CALLIE KARIOTAKIS</b>	Certificate - Theology IV
<b>KAILEY KOVAS</b>	Certificate - Theology IV
<b>GABRIELLE MCGLYNN</b>	Certificate - Economics
<b>ANDREW MIHELICH</b>	Certificate - Earth and Space Science
<b>DEVEN MILLER</b>	Certificate - Human Biology
<b>MICHAEL O'BRIEN</b>	Certificate - Latin IV
<b>ALYSA SANDOVAL</b>	Certificate - Accounting
<b>SAMANTHA SMITH</b>	Certificate - Sociology
<b>RIO STRAMA</b>	Certificate - Strength Training
<b>JACK SURIN</b>	Certificate - Spanish IV
<b>REILLY JO SWANSON</b>	Certificate - Computer Applications II
<b>NICHOLAS WYKE</b>	Certificate - Economics

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**CERTIFICATES OF HONOR IN SEVERAL FIELDS OF STUDY**

The following students have achieved outstanding academic honors in **SEVERAL FIELDS OF STUDY**, and therefore are awarded **CERTIFICATES OF HONOR** in these fields. When your name is called please come forward.

**Presenter: Mrs. Melisa Ferro, Campus Minister**

**THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ARE ASKED TO STEP FORWARD:**

<b>NAME.....</b>	<b>AWARDS.....</b>
<b>MARGARET CAPALBO</b>	Certificate - Economics Certificate - Theology IV
<b>LAUREN CRUDO</b>	Certificate - AP Spanish V Certificate - Jewelry and Weaving II Certificate - Statistics
<b>MATTHEW LAVIOLA</b>	Certificate - AP U.S. Government Certificate - Human Anatomy and Physiology
<b>JOSHUA LEMKE</b>	Certificate - Band Certificate - U.S. Government
<b>JULIA PULTORAK</b>	Certificate - English IV Certificate - Tapestry
<b>TREVOR SHELBY</b>	Certificate - Physical Education Certificate - Spanish IV
<b>KELLY TESTIN</b>	Certificate - AP Calculus Certificate - AP Chemistry

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**MEDAL OF HONOR IN ONE FIELD OF STUDY AND ONE OR MORE CERTIFICATES**

I would now like to call forth the students who have achieved the **HIGHEST ACADEMIC STANDING IN ONE FIELD OF STUDY** and therefore are awarded the **MEDAL OF HONOR** in that field. These students may have also earned **ONE OR MORE CERTIFICATES OF HONOR**.

**Presenter: Mr. Michael Pero, Social Studies Department Chairperson**

**THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ARE ASKED TO STEP FORWARD:**

<b>NAME.....</b>	<b>AWARD(S).....</b>
<b>CLAIRE ALLGOOD</b>	Medal - Latin IV
<b>CLAY BRISCOE</b>	Medal - Strength Training Certificate - English IV Certificate - Theology IV
<b>MOLLY BYRNE</b>	Medal - Algebra III
<b>LAUREN CLEMENTI</b>	Medal - Economics
<b>NOLAN COX</b>	Medal - Advanced Handbells
<b>CIANNA CRUZ</b>	Medal - English IV
<b>KATELYN DOMBROWSKI</b>	Medal - Jewelry and Weaving II Certificate - AP English IV Certificate - Theology IV
<b>ERIN EGIZIO</b>	Medal - English IV Certificate - Pre-Calculus
<b>JOSHUA ELIAS</b>	Medal - U.S. Government Certificate - Economics
<b>MEAGHAN FISCHER</b>	Medal - Band Certificate - Economics Certificate - U.S. Government
<b>BAILEY GARLAND</b>	Medal - Drawing and Painting
<b>ADRIAN GUZMAN</b>	Medal - Economics Certificate - U.S. Government

<b>NAME.....</b>	<b>AWARD(S).....</b>
<b>MATTHEW HOFMANN</b>	Medal - AP Microeconomics Certificate - Theology IV
<b>MCCOY HUTCHISON</b>	Medal - Journalism / Newspaper
<b>HENRY JONES</b>	Medal - Human Biology
<b>GIBSON KARNER</b>	Medal - Earth and Space Science Certificate - Studio Art
<b>SHERIDAN KELLY</b>	Medal - Pottery Design II Certificate - Pottery Design III
<b>ALEXANDER KHATER</b>	Medal - English IV
<b>BRYCE KURTZ</b>	Medal - AP Physics Certificate - English IV Certificate - U.S. Government
<b>EMILY MILLER</b>	Medal - Journalism / Yearbook
<b>SAVANNAH OSBORNE</b>	Medal - Literature of the Holocaust
<b>OLIVIA PYZOWSKI</b>	Medal - Algebra II
<b>SHANNON QUINN</b>	Medal - Accounting Certificate - English IV Certificate - U.S. Government
<b>PATRICK ROTH</b>	Medal - Physical Education Certificate - Economics Certificate - English IV Certificate - Pre-Calculus Certificate - Strength Training
<b>NATHANIEL TROGDON</b>	Medal - International Relations
<b>HAYDEN WAGNER</b>	Medal - Computer Applications II
<b>GRACE WHALEN</b>	Medal - AP Spanish V



**NAME.....**

**ZIYANG YAO**

**AWARD(S).....**

Medal - Statistics  
Certificate - English as a Second  
Language  
Certificate - Theology IV

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## **MEDALS OF HONOR IN SEVERAL FIELDS OF STUDY AND CERTIFICATES**

I would now like to call forth the students who have achieved the **HIGHEST ACADEMIC STANDING IN MORE THAN ONE FIELD OF STUDY** and therefore are awarded the **MEDALS OF HONOR** in those fields. These students may have also earned **ONE OR MORE CERTIFICATES OF HONOR**.

**Presenter: Mr. James Barello, Science Department Chairperson**

**THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ARE ASKED TO STEP FORWARD:**

<b>NAME.....</b>	<b>AWARDS.....</b>
<b>ALEXANDER DEMOS</b>	Medal - AP Calculus Medal - AP U.S. Government Medal - Statistics Certificate - Economics
<b>WILLIAM DOW</b>	Medal - AP European History Medal - Theology IV Certificate - Business Law
<b>AUDREY GREDER</b>	Medal - AP Chemistry Medal - AP English IV Medal - Human Anatomy and Physiology Certificate - AP Statistics
<b>EVA GREDER</b>	Medal - Computer Design Medal - Graphic Design Medal - Marketing Medal - U.S. Government Certificate - AP Microeconomics
<b>MICHAEL JONES</b>	Medal - Pre-Calculus Medal - Studio Art
<b>ERICA MARTINEZ</b>	Medal - Business Law Medal - French IV
<b>CHRISTOPHER MUELLER</b>	Medal - Economics Medal - Spanish IV Certificate - AP European History
<b>SHELBI VOSS</b>	Medal - Statistics Medal - The Short Story Certificate - French IV

**NAME.....**

**AWARDS.....**

**SYDNIE WEIS**

Medal - Pre-Calculus  
Medal - Pottery Design III  
Certificate - English IV  
Certificate - Pottery II  
Certificate - Spanish IV

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## **PERFECT RECORD**

The Perfect Record Award is presented to students who through their seventh semester of their four years at JCA, never received a detention, referral or even a gum fine from the Deans Office.

### **THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ARE ASKED TO STEP FORWARD:**

**CLAIRE ALLGOOD**

**JOSHUA ELIAS**

**JACOB AVERY**

**JENNIFER FILOTTO**

**MAX BABICH**

**MICHAEL FINCH**

**MADALYN BAUER**

**MEAGHAN FISCHER**

**HANNA BERGESON**

**BAILEY GARLAND**

**MOLLY BYRNE**

**JACK GOSTOWSKI**

**PAIGE CALLANS**

**AUDREY GREDER**

**MARGARET CAPALBO**

**EVA GREDER**

**MCKENNA CARLSON**

**ADRIAN GUZMAN**

**EMILY CHERWIN**

**JAMES HINES**

**ZACHARY CORCORAN**

**JÜRGEN HUEBNER**

**NOLAN COX**

**CIENNA JONES**

**LAUREN CRUDO**

**HENRY JONES**

**ALEXANDER DEMOS**

**MICHAEL JONES**

**KATELYN DOMBROWSKI**

**CALLIE KARIOTAKIS**

**WILLIAM DOW**

**GIBSON KARNER**

**ALYSON EGIZIO**

**SHERIDAN KELLY**

**ERIN EGIZIO**

**JACOB KEMPES**

**EMMA EHRSAM**

**ALEXANDER KHATER**

**MAXIMILLIAN KOTTMAN**

**KAILEY KOVAS**

**MOLLY KOVAS**

**CHRISTOPHER LANGBEIN**

**MATTHEW LAVIOLA**

**CAMRIANA MARMO**

**ERICA MARTINEZ**

**GABRIELLE MCGLYNN**

**MEGAN MEYER**

**ANDREW MIHELICH**

**DEVEN MILLER**

**MICHAEL O'BRIEN**

**JILLIAN PARENTI**

**OLIVIA PYZOWSKI**

**SHANNON QUINN**

**MICHELLE ROBERT**

**ALYSA SANDOVAL**

**CHRISTOPHER SHERMAN**

**JONATHON SICINSKI**

**SAMANTHA SMITH**

**JACK SURIN**

**KELLY TESTIN**

**NATHANIEL TROGDON**

**SHELBI VOSS**

**HAYDEN WAGNER**

**GRACE WHALEN**

**ALYSSA ZADEL**

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## **MAJOR SCHOOL AWARDS**

The moment has arrived to present **THE HIGHEST HONORS OF ACHIEVEMENT TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS IN THE CLASS OF 2017.** Your hard work and dedication have been an inspiration to the Joliet Catholic Academy school community.

## **HONORS PROGRAM AWARD**

**Presenter: Mr. William Pender, Vice Principal of Faculty and Operations**

The purpose of the JCA Honors Program is to challenge academically gifted students, provide them with a demanding program to meet their needs, and encourage them to reach their full academic potential.

We are proud to recognize the following students who have completed four years of honors curriculum as members of the JCA Honors Program. These young men and women have also earned the privilege of receiving an Honors Diploma.

**THE FOLLOWING STUDENT ARE ASKED TO STEP FORWARD:**

**CLAIRE ALLGOOD**

**JOSEPH AMBROZICH**

**MADELINE BLOTNIK**

**MARGARET CAPALBO**

**MCKENNA CARLSON**

**LAUREN CRUDO**

**ALEXANDER DEMOS**

**EMMA EHRSAM**

**MEAGHAN FISCHER**

**AUDREY GREDER**

**EVA GREDER**

**JAMES HINES**

**MATTHEW HOFMANN**

**JÜRGEN HUEBNER**

**CHRISTOPHER LANGBEIN**

**MATTHEW LAVIOLA**

**CHRISTOPHER MUELLER**

**JOHN NAAL**

**SHANNON QUINN**

**NICHOLAS SANDORA**

**DANIELLE SCUDDER**

**CHRISTOPHER SHERMAN**

**JACK SURIN**

**REILLY JO SWANSON**

**SHELBI VOSS**

**KYLE WIBORG**

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**ILLINOIS STATE SCHOLARS**

**Presenter: Mrs. Kathy Major, Counseling Department Chairperson**

**CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT** have been awarded by the **ILLINOIS STATE SCHOLARSHIP COMMISSION** to JCA's **ILLINOIS STATE SCHOLARS**.

**PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN YOUR NAME IS READ:**

**MAX BABICH**

**MARGARET CAPALBO**

**LAUREN CRUDO**

**ALEXANDER DEMOS**

**JOHN DUFFY**

**EMMA EHRSAM**

**JOSHUA ELIAS**

**JENNIFER FILOTTO**

**MEAGHAN FISCHER**

**AUDREY GREDER**

**EVA GREDER**

**JAMES HINES**

**MATTHEW HOFMANN**

**ALEXANDER KHATER**

**BRYCE KURTZ**

**MATTHEW LAVIOLA**

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**CHRISTOPHER MUELLER**

**SHANNON QUINN**

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**CHRISTOPHER SHERMAN**

**SAMANTHA SMITH**

**JACK SURIN**

**REILLY JO SWANSON**

**KELLY TESTIN**

**SYDNIE WEIS**

**KYLE WIBORG**

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At this time, I would like to announce the recipients of **MEDALS** in **THREE SPECIAL CATEGORIES**:

**Presenter: Dr. Jeffrey Budz, President/Principal**

**OUTSTANDING SCHOLARS**

The **JCA OUTSTANDING SCHOLAR** award is given by the faculty to students who have demonstrated excellent academic performance during their four years at JCA.

**The recipients are:**

**CLAIRE ALLGOOD**

**MEAGHAN FISCHER**

**MARGARET CAPALBO**

**EVA GREDER**

**ALEXANDER DEMOS**

**OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP**

The **JCA OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP** award is given by the faculty to students who have given of themselves in leading, organizing, and participating in school-related activities during their four years at JCA.

**The recipients are:**

**MADALYN BAUER**

**AMANDA GRUBER**

**MADLINE BLOTNIK**

**RAYMOND HERNANDEZ**

**MCKENNA CARLSON**

**CHRISTOPHER MUELLER**

**WILLIAM DOW**

**REILLY JO SWANSON**

**AUDREY GREDER**

**SHELBI VOSS**



**OUTSTANDING SERVICE**

The **JCA OUTSTANDING SERVICE** award is given by the faculty to students who have, during their four years of high school, faithfully served the student body of JCA, and whose spirit of life and dedication exemplifies Christian Living.

The recipients are:

**KATELYN DOMBROWSKI**  
**JENNIFER FILOTTO**  
**JAMES HINES**  
**HENRY JONES**  
**CALLIE KARIOTAKIS**  
**KAILEY KOVAS**  
**MOLLY KOVAS**  
**ANDREW MIHELICH**

**KATE MIHELICH**  
**MICHAEL O'BRIEN**  
**NICHOLAS SANDORA**  
**CHRISTOPHER SHERMAN**  
**SAMANTHA SMITH**  
**KELLY TESTIN**  
**ALYSSA ZADEL**

**SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARD**

**Presenter: Mr. Daniel Sharp, Athletic Director**

Each year the Joliet Catholic Academy Athletic Department honors students who demonstrated both academic and athletic achievement.

The **JCA SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARD** is presented to:

**MCCOY HUTCHISON**

**JACK SURIN**

**JCA SPIRIT AWARD**

**Presenter: Ms. Laura Pahl, Vice Principal of Curriculum and Technology**

The **JCA SPIRIT AWARD** recognizes students who have displayed academic excellence, school spirit, cooperation, loyalty, and service to the Joliet Catholic Academy community.

The recipients of the **JCA SPIRIT AWARD** are:

**SHANNON QUINN**

**SAMUEL SENEKER**

**JCA ANGEL OF THE YEAR AND JCA HILLMAN OF THE YEAR**

**THE JCA ANGEL OF THE YEAR AND THE JCA HILLMAN OF THE YEAR** are Joliet Catholic Academy's most prestigious awards. These awards recognize the two students who have upheld the highest standards of the following: honesty, reliability, courtesy, and concern and respect for others. They have carried out their accepted responsibilities with enthusiasm and dedication, influenced their peers by their positive attitudes, and have given witness to the Gospel values.

**The recipient of the JCA ANGEL OF THE YEAR AWARD is:**

**EMILY CHERWIN**

**The recipient of the JCA HILLMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD is:**

**HAYDEN WAGNER**

**PRESENTATION OF CLASS VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN**

**Presenter: Dr. Jeffrey Budz, President/Principal**

Each year the Administration of Joliet Catholic Academy selects the **Valedictorian** and **Salutarian** of the senior class. This year's outstanding academic students are:

**VALEDICTORIAN: AUDREY GREDER**

**SALUTATORIAN: KELLY TESTIN**

We are extremely proud of these seniors and congratulate them and their parents on this great honor and accomplishment. They join the select few of previous recipients.

**PLEASE GIVE THEM A WELL DESERVED ROUND OF APPLAUSE**

**Speaker - Mr. William Pender, Vice Principal of Faculty and Operations**

On behalf of the Administration, Faculty, Staff, Board of Members, and Board of Directors of Joliet Catholic Academy, we offer our heartiest congratulations **TO ALL RECIPIENTS, THEIR PARENTS, STEP-PARENTS, GUARDIANS, GRANDPARENTS, RELATIVES AND FRIENDS.**

We are proud of your accomplishments.  
Thank you for sharing this evening with us.  
May St. Francis and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel watch over you.

**Recessional**