

## **Missioning for a Graduating Class**

**Leader:** (President or another appropriate leader)

Will the Graduates please stand for the Missioning of the Class of 200\_.

We the [name of the college/university] Community, commission the Class of 200\_ to go forth. We charge you to proclaim with your voices, to cherish in your hearts, to underscore with your lives the mission you have lived as students of [name of the college/university]. We challenge you to dedicate yourselves to the highest purposes of life and of your chosen professions. In the words of the Prophet Micah and of our mission, we exhort you

### ***To Act Justly***

To address courageously issues of social justice by fostering a correct relationship to God, self, others and the earth.

### ***To Love Tenderly***

To cherish all that is good, all that is holy in the diverse cultures and peoples of the world and always, in all things, to engage in the pursuit of truth, wisdom, human understanding and knowledge both for yourselves and for others.

### ***To Walk Humbly with Your God***

To be responsible leaders, who dare to change and to grow personally, professionally and spiritually; leaders who are actively and creatively involved in society and aware of world conditions; leaders who have the courage to carry God into the culture.

Will the members of the Board of Directors, the Administration, Faculty, Staff and Alumni please stand to mission the 200\_ graduates? [If appropriate add: Please raise your hands in blessing over the graduates.]

All:

May you who have passed through these hallowed halls look back on these years and say, "Through our great good fortune, our hearts were turned to fire." Class of 200\_, we commission you to go forth with our blessing and trust that your lives will reflect to the world the light of love and truth gleaned from this college called [name of the college/university]. "What you have received as a gift, give as a gift."

Congratulations! Go with God and come back often!

*Adapted from a prayer created at Chestnut Hill College*