



Summer 2018 Reflection

“May you grow up to be righteous,
May you grow up to be true.
May you always know the truth
And see the lights surrounding you.
May you always be courageous,
Stand upright and be strong.
May you stay, forever young.”
- *Bob Dylan*

I've sung my version of Bob Dylan's "Forever Young" more times than I can count over all these years; and yet another time was at our Baccalaureate Mass for the Class of 2018. The lyrics continue to be so perfect, not only for seniors who are moving into the future, but for all of us as we work our way through life and all that it holds for us. I've always said that there's a big difference between growing up and growing old. Growing up means that you accept the responsibilities that are appropriate for your age and situation; growing old means that you forget what it means to be young, to be "children of God" as we hear in the First Letter of John. In my life, I've found that the older I get, the more I feel like a child of God, so very dependent on his love and care and direction.

As the close of another school year has come and gone, my prayer for all of us is that we may stay "forever young," knowing that we are children of God, a God who loves us more than we could ever begin to understand. I hope you have a great Summer, filled with countless blessings and joy-filled moments. Continue to pray for each other, in particular for the graduates of 2018 and for all those from our BSM family whose futures have taken them in different directions. God bless always, my friends. See you in the fall!

Love and Prayers,
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