



Anne Morrison
Distinguished Lasallian - Administrator
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Today, the Manhattan University community gathers to celebrate and recognize the generosity, dedication, and caring spirit of Anne Morrison. A cornerstone of the Provost's Office, Anne has supported and accompanied seven provosts throughout her 23 years of service to Manhattan. Her exceptional organizational skills have ensured the smooth operation of the office, consistently meeting the needs of colleagues, faculty, students, and all who engage with her in her role as Executive Assistant to the Provost.

Anne's deep knowledge of university policies and processes is an invaluable asset. Her leadership and expertise have allowed the Office of the Provost to function with efficiency and professionalism year-round, year after year. Through her unwavering excellence and care, Anne has preserved the dignity and credibility of the office, earning the trust and respect of the entire Manhattan community.

The nature of the Provost's Office often involves highly sensitive matters that require discretion, diplomacy, and tact — qualities Anne exhibits with remarkable ease. She selflessly gives her time and talent to serve the Manhattan community, working collaboratively with many campus groups such as the Educational Affairs Committee, the Curriculum Committee, Department Chairs, Council for Faculty Affairs, the Faculty Welfare Committee — just to name a few — to support fair employment practices and uphold academic standards.

Anne is a committed Lasallian in her words and deeds when dealing with others. She is the organizer of countless meetings and the coordinator of numerous complex procedures that keep Manhattan running smoothly — from promotion and tenure processes, to sabbaticals, to dean and faculty searches and campus visits. She responds to every request for assistance — whether from colleagues, students, or concerned parents — with care and professionalism. No matter the issue, Anne ensures that each individual feels heard and supported, guiding them toward the best solution.

Every Convocation and Commencement ceremony runs more smoothly and meaningfully because of Anne's dedication. Whether drafting scripts and librettos or offering her physical presence and calm leadership, Anne ensures these important events are successful and dignified. She carries out all of this work quietly, without expectation of recognition — demonstrating, through her actions, that integrity and service matter deeply to her.

Anne, you are a woman of strength and character — loving wife to James, devoted mother to John, Keri and Jaimie, doting grandmother of two (soon to be three!) beautiful grandchildren, William and Emily, cherished friend, and esteemed colleague. It is with great admiration and gratitude that we recognize your extraordinary contributions to Manhattan University and its Lasallian mission.

It is my honor to join the Lasallian Selection Committee in congratulating you on receiving the *Distinguished Lasallian Administrator Award*. Thank you for being you.

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