Celebration of Research, Scholarship and Creative Excellence
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I congratulate our students, faculty and staff for this second year of a successful celebration of research, scholarship and creative activities: from science to fine arts to teaching and learning.

It makes me proud as a president to see that student and faculty research and scholarship is an increasing commitment of our university, which strengthens our central mission of teaching.

All this stands strongly in the Jesuit tradition, because Jesuits have always had a sense of wonder and curiosity about the world in which we live.

- The Jesuits have always believed that the world of nature and culture are shot through with mystery and that mystery points us God-wards. Indeed, as Father Hopkins would have it, “The world is charged with the grandeur of God!”
- This mystery invites questions and questions invite discovery and discovery invites wonder and wonder is the quintessential human emotion.

And you have shown that this day – and this university – are wonderFUL.

Thank you for all you have done to continue our tradition of excellence at Regis University.

And now, our Provost, who has been such a strong supporter and funder of today’s events.