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Thirty-one Sisters of Mercy will make up next week the largest summer session graduating class of Sister-students at Salve Regina College. These Sisters, part of the Sister Formation Program sponsored by the college, will receive Bachelor of Arts degrees on August 1 at the third annual summer commencement at 3 p.m. in Newport.

The graduates are in the Sister Formation Program which allowed the Sisters to complete two years of college while they were in the Novitiate of the Sisters of Mercy at Mt. St. Rita in Cumberland, and for the last two years in classes at the college in Newport while they were residents of the Juniorate of the Sisters of Mercy at St. Mary’s Convent in Riverside.

The Reverend Edward R. Callahan, S.J., Professor of Sacramental Theology at Weston College in Weston, Mass. will address the graduating class on the topic, "The Two Cities and The Veil."

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The Right Reverend Monsignor James V. Greene, Pastor of St. Mary’s Church, Newport, and Dean of the Newport Area, will preside at the exercises. Candidates will be presented by Sister Mary Rosalia, R.S.M., Ph.D., dean of Salve Regina College, and the degrees will be conferred by Sister Mary Hilda, R.S.M., Ph.D., LL.D., president.

Twenty-three graduates will receive statements of eligibility for teaching from Dr. William P. Robinson, Jr., Commissioner of Education in Rhode Island. The Sister-graduates have received their assignments from Mother Mary Helena, R.S.M., Provincial of the Sisters of Mercy. They will work during the 1963-64 school year in the following Rhode Island Communities: Bristol, Cranston, Cumberland, Greenville, Pawtucket, Providence, Riverside, Warwick, West Warwick, and Woonsocket; also Fall River, Mass.

Graduating with honors are: Sister Patricia Marie Hall, Sister Mary Johnelle Luciani, Sister Miriam Ann McBurnie, Sister Mary Clare Theresa Smith.

Other graduates are: Sister Rose Maureen Balboni, Sister Ann Marita Burke, Sister Donna Marie Carlson, Sister Andrea Marie Casey, Sister Bernadette Marie Casey, Sister Mary Michaelanne Coleman, Sister Marie Kathleen Crowley, Sister Marie Christine Dewhurst, Sister Mary Peter Francis Donahue, Sister Mary Ellen Francis Friedrichs, Sister Mary Therese Anthony Gelsomino, Sister Mary Arthur Francis Jackson, Sister Mary Joseph Michael Janes, Sister Mary Claude LaFrance, Sister Maria Joseph Laliberte, Sister Charles Mary Leach, Sister Mary Gregoria Lizama, Sister Mary Celine Martin, Sister Kevin Mary McGuire, Sister Mary Edward Francis Menard, Sister Joan Marie Minisce, Sister Mary Jogues Murray, Sister Mary Raymond Joseph O’Brien, Sister Marie Diane Perry, Sister Miriam Joseph Sharpe, Sister Mary John Mark Sutton, Sister Mary Carolanne Theroux.

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Three Sisters have completed concentrations in mathematics, 1 in English, 1 in biology, 2 in chemistry, 2 in sociology, 2 in history, 2 in home economics, and 17 in education, with a minor in English.