Comments on the Passing Parade

First Brocklesby column of the new millennium

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The trip down Interstate 89 was uneven, much like the break. Holy Cross’ reign as prorogation master, Joey Brocklesby ‘03, has returned to South Worces-

ter, ready to face another semester of misadven-

tures. Will he be able to maintain his stunning 2.5 grade-point average? Will he be able to main-
tain his spotless (well, so far this year anyway) criminal record? Will the peer pressure of St. Patrick’s Day prove too much for him and yank him off the wagon? Will he finally succumb to trendiness and buy a shirt from Abercrombie? Or perhaps Fitch? What other inter-
esting predicaments will be on him and suffer through as the year wears on?

Joey refused to answer these questions, leaving me only to speculate about some other events that might happen in the next semester:

February 9 — President McFar-

land, outraged to learn that Holy Cross does not commemorate Presidents’ Day, sug-
gests a mandatory-attendance Mass.

February 23 — With one week to go until Spring Break, an unidentified Loyola resident is heard saying “I could really use Spring Break this weekend.”

March 3 — Final Spring Break for the aught-ones. Senior nostalgia reaches dangerous levels.

March 11 — Toting luggage back into his room, an unidentified Loyola resident is heard saying “I could really use Spring Break next week.”

March 17 — A Healy RA reports “liquor confisca-
tion” in the Public Safety Blotter. Holy Cross community is shocked and scandal-
ized.

March 21 — First day of spring. Public Safety officers emerge from their vans and take their ter-

tori-inspiring rides on bicycles.

March 23 — Sibs Weekend. Students unsaddled with kids siblings get a good laugh out of their friends’ at-
tempts at cleaning up their language around the impressionable younger-
s.

March 31 — Residents of Clark i celebrate their final week of the last two years by destroying every Johnny Cash CD they can find. Mulledy residents look on in envy.

April 2 — Yankees defeat Baltimore in their sea-

son opener. “World Champs 2001” T-shirts ap-
ppear on campus.

April 3 — Mets beat Atlanta. Public Safety records 15 in-
stances of property damage justified by “Subway Series” talk.

April 23 — Kimmel serves its last “Chicken Football” of the school year. Senior nostalgia reaches deadly levels.

May 1 — “Study Week” begins.

May 3 — “Study Week” ends.

May 11 — Semester ends and all but the Seniors leave (promptly by 6 p.m.).

There you have it. Holy Cross, your 2001 Spring Semester. As of today, there are only sixteen weeks left, two of which are vacation. Use them wisely.