LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO

STRITCH SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

46th Annual St. Albert's Day

Thursday, November 5, 2026

Schedule of Events

8:00 am	**Open Poster Viewing (SSOM First Floor, Atrium, 3rd and 4th Floors & CTRE/Lobby)**
8:30 – 9:00 am **CTRE Auditorium**	**Opening Ceremony and Blessing** Blessing: John J. Hardt, PhD **Opening Remarks:** Dr. Mark Reed, President, LUC Dr. Sam Marzo, Dean, SSOM Dr. Meharvan Singh, Vice Provost of Research, LUC
9:00 – 10:00 am	**SSOM 2026 Junior and Senior Scientists of the Year Awards** Presenter: Dr. Meharvan Singh, Vice Provost for Research, LUC **Junior Scientist of the Year Presentation** **Senior Scientist of the Year Presentation**
10:00 – 10:10 am	**Break**
10:10 – 11:40 am **CTRE Auditorium**	**PhD Graduate Student Oral Competition** **Moderators: (2025 Jr/Sr Scientists of the Year)** David Barefield, PhD, Junior Scientist Awardee
11:45 – 12:30 pm **SSOM/Tobin Hall**	**Lunch (Ignatian Heritage Lecture)** Hosted by: Mark G. Kuczewski, PhD "A.I. and Human Dignity: Technology Through the Lens of our Jesuit, Catholic Heritage" by Michael McCarthy, PhD, HEC-C, Associate Professor of Bioethics, Loyola University Chicago, *EGR, RCR & CME Credit
12:30 – 1:50 pm **CTRE Auditorium**	**MS Graduate Student Oral Competition** Moderator: Mitchell Denning, PhD, Associate Dean for Graduate Education
1:50 – 2:00 pm	**Break**
2:00 – 3:00 pm **CTRE Auditorium**	**Medical Student Oral Research Forum** Moderator: Colleen Fitzgerald, MD, Associate Dean for Student Affairs, Academic Excellence and Career Advising Medical Student Research
3:00 – 5:00 pm	**Open Poster Viewing** SSOM 150, 160, 170, Atrium, 3rd and 4th Floors & CTRE/Lobby Odd number posters 3-4pm and Even number posters 4-5pm
5:00 – 6:30 pm	**Reception: SSOM Cafeteria– All are invited**

