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Salve's first lay president is determined to uphold school's founding ideals

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WHEN KELLI J. ARMSTRONG took the job of Salve Regina University president in June 2019, she was a bit of a pioneer at the Catholic liberal arts school on the edge of Newport's rocky eastern shoreline.

Armstrong became the university's eighth leader, but she is first to hold the position who has not been a member of the religious order Sisters of Mercy, which had established what was then a women's college in 1934.

Before arriving in Newport, Armstrong, 57, had served as vice president for planning and assessment at Boston College, another institution with Catholic roots.

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FIRM BELIEF: Kelli J. Armstrong is the first lay president and the eighth overall of Salve Regina University, a Catholic liberal arts school in Newport founded by the religious order Sisters of Mercy. Armstrong says it's important for lay presidents to believe in, commit to and embrace the mission of the institution they are leading.

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At court, tenants find 'heartbreak hallway'

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THE THIRD-FLOOR HALLWAY of the Garrahy Judicial Complex in Providence was choked on a recent Thursday morning with tired-looking families, upset mothers with baby strollers and frustrated older couples.

Three tables were set up, one with pro bono attorneys assisting tenants who were dealt eviction notices, another with a lawyer offering his services to property owners looking to collect rent or kick tenants out, and a third staffed by state workers helping to streamline applications for a rent relief program established with federal COVID-19 aid.

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