



A message from **THE PRESIDENT**

The Hostos family has suffered another loss – and a most powerful one: I’ve just learned that the mother of Olen Dias, Acting Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs, has passed away.

The hearts of all at Hostos go out to Olen, who is a treasured member of the Office of Academic Affairs and the greater College community. The loss of a parent is one of the most grievous losses we ever experience, and Olen and her family have our deepest condolences.

The 13th century Sufi poet once wrote:

*Goodbyes are only for those
who love with their eyes.
Because for those who love with
heart and soul there is no such thing
as separation.*

May such love bring some much-needed consolation to Olen and to all who loved her wise and wondrous mother.

With sadness,

Daisy Cocco De Filippis, Ph.D.
President

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, November 13, 2021. A viewing will take place from 11:30am - 12:00pm with a service and celebration of life meal to follow:

St. Andrew’s Church
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