



PERFECTLY CLEAR

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for the Class of 2020

First off,
Cooing and crying
In mama's arms
Total unaware,
Buildings fell
Terror flew, and
Far away was fear,
But you were here.

Second off,
Days of school
And family stuff
You had your share,
Wars and rumors of wars
Raged on other soil, still
Far away was fear,
But you were here.

Third off,
Favorite songs
And Netflix binges
You didn't spare,
Mass student shootings
News from other schools, but
Far away was fear,
Still, you were here.

Fourth off,
Graduation's cancelled
There's no prom
This time it's near,
Pandemic panic, and
Family and friends
Striving to survive,
No longer a distant fear,
You're more than here.

So blessed you are,
Seeing this is not
All about you,
You stand so ready
Your hands to lend,
Trusting in God,
Perfect love casts out fear
The Class of 2020's vision
Is perfectly clear.