The University Chaplaincy is a dynamic hub supporting religious, spiritual, ethical, and cultural life for all members of the Tufts community. We provide pastoral care, support religious and philosophical communities, and educate about the religious and philosophical diversity on campus.

Some of the upcoming events for the fall semester include:

- **Tradition: Judaism**
  - Mabon: Thu., Sep. 22, 2022

- **Tradition: Wicca/Paganism**
  - Event details:

These events are drawn from the multifaith calendar maintained by the Office of Religious and Spiritual Life at Harvard Divinity School. To see more upcoming religious holidays and festivals, please follow the link to [Harvard Divinity School's calendar](#).

Last Sunday, at our Welcome Dinner for Catholic Students and Friends, incoming students ate with returning students and faculty. This was a wonderful opportunity to connect and learn more about each other's backgrounds and experiences. It was a heartwarming night that highlighted the welcoming nature of the Tufts community.

This week, I invite you to dwell with this theme of intersection. What is an intersection—in your life or your relationships? How can exploring these intersections enrich your life and the lives of those around you?

In my own Catholic tradition, today is the Feast of the Cross. While the cross is most associated with Good Friday and the crucifixion of Jesus Christ, the cross also represents the ultimate surrender of power and the willingness to die to those things that have taken us away from God. At the heart of this moment is the history of creation and redemption, life-giving, life-saving. We are made richer when we notice the intersections between us.

A few years ago, my father-in-law gave us four Morning Glory seedlings. I planted them in the back corner of our garden and have watched in astonishment at how they have grown and spread. This summer, the vines crossed paths with the tomatoes and the peppers. The biodiversity in our garden is remarkable, and I am grateful for the intersections that have allowed this growth to happen.

Greetings!

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You can find more information about upcoming events and programs on the University Chaplaincy website or by contacting chaplaincy@tufts.edu.