The University Chaplaincy is a dynamic hub supporting religious, spiritual, ethical, and cultural life for all members of the Tufts University community. We strive to foster a welcoming and inclusive environment that values diversity and promotes interfaith understanding.

**Upcoming Events and Religious Holidays**

- **Buddhist Assembled Prayers**
  - **Date**: December 3, 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
  - **Location**: Interfaith Center
  - **Details**: Please email Buddhist Chaplain to register.

- **Hanukkah Celebration**
  - **Date**: December 6, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
  - **Location**: Held virtually
  - **Details**: Join the University Chaplaincy for this special event.

- **Feast of the Immaculate Conception**
  - **Date**: December 8, 2021
  - **Details**: A feast day that celebrates the belief that Mary, mother of Jesus, gave birth without sin.

- **Winter Solstice**
  - **Date**: December 20, 2021
  - **Details**: Celebrating the longest night and the blessings of darkness as well as the rebirth of the sun god.

- **Feast Day of the Assumption**
  - **Date**: August 15, 2022
  - **Details**: Celebrating the Assumption of the Virgin Mary into Heaven.

**Service Opportunities**

- **Harvard Square Homeless Shelter Volunteering**
  - **Dates**: November 3 - December 21, 2021
  - **Details**: Join the Catholic Chaplaincy and provide breakfast at the Harvard Square Homeless Shelter. All are welcome.

- **Queer Desis**
  - **Date**: Every Thursday, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
  - **Details**: A space for LGBTQ+ South Asians to have meaningful conversations, explore identities, and build community.

- **Therapy Animals**
  - **Dates**: Monday, December 13, 2021 - Thursday, December 16, 2021
  - **Details**: An opportunity to interact with and pet therapy animals provided by the Tufts University Animal Therapy Program.

**Recent Past Events**

- **Buddhist Assembled Prayers**
  - **Date**: December 3, 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
  - **Details**: Led by Sensei Jose Shinzan Palma, these prayers offer an opportunity to reflect on the practices of Buddhism.

- **Christmas Caroling**
  - **Date**: December 18, 2021
  - **Details**: Join the Interfaith Ambassadors for an evening of caroling, spreading holiday cheer throughout the Tufts campus.

**Art Events**

- **Art Opening**
  - **Date**: December 2, 2021
  - **Details**: A new art piece purchased from Tufts alumna Sara-Marie Bottaro, A15. The event includes a discussion with the artist and refreshments.

- **Reflection and Inspiration**
  - **Date**: December 2, 2021
  - **Details**: A gathering to honor a new art piece purchased from Tufts alumna Sara-Marie Bottaro, A15. The event includes a discussion with the artist and refreshments.

- **Artistic Reflection**
  - **Date**: December 2, 2021
  - **Details**: A chance to interact with an uplifted piece from the Benedictine monks. The event includes coloring activities and conversation with the artist.

**Additional Resources**

- **Supporting the Chaplaincy**
  - **Details**: Your donation helps fund our programs and supports the spiritual and ethical needs of the Tufts community.

- **Contact Information**
  - **Catholic Chaplaincy**
    - Email: Catholic Chaplaincy
  - **Humanist Chaplaincy**
    - Email: Humanist Chaplain
  - **Buddhist Chaplaincy**
    - Email: Buddhist Chaplain
  - **Interfaith Ambassadors**
    - Email: Interfaith Ambassadors

**Contact with Any Questions**

If you have any questions about our events, programs, or services, please feel free to contact us. We are always here to support and provide resources for the Tufts community.