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 create a welcoming and inclusive environment where everyone can explore and engage with different beliefs and traditions.

### Upcoming Religious Celebrations and Observances

- **Sun., Nov. 28 – Mon., Dec. 6, 2021**

  **Pax et Lux: A Multifaith Celebration**

  A celebration of the Advent season across traditions.

- **Wed., Dec. 8, 2021**

  **Feast of the Immaculate Conception**

  Celebrated in Christianity-Roman Catholic tradition.

- **Wed., Dec. 8, 2021**

  **Winter Solstice**

  Celebrating the longest night and the blessings of darkness as well as the rebirth of the sun god.

- **Sun., Nov. 28 – Fri., Dec. 24, 2021**

  **Advent**

  A period of four weeks in which Christians prepare for Christmas and meditate on the end of all time. In Western tradition, the Buddha's Enlightenment is celebrated during Wesak.

- **Sun., Nov. 28 – Fri., Dec. 24, 2021**

  **Hanukkah**

  The Feast of Lights (Feast of Dedication) is celebrated for eight days to commemorate the rededication of the Temple following the Jews' victory over occupying forces in 165 BCE, which re-established for a time their religious and political freedom.

- **Oct. 1 – Nov. 1, 2021**

  **All Souls’ Day**

  Christians remember the dead during this period, with special mention of the deceased who are members of the Tufts community.

### Upcoming Signature Events

- **Sun., Dec. 19, 2021**

  **Dharma, Color, and Culture**

  You are invited to join the Buddhist Chaplaincy and Sensei Jose Shinzan Palma, who will give a Dharma talk on "Dharma, Color, and Culture." Sensei Jose Shinzan Palma will speak to the ways that practice interconnects with rituals and traditions at this time of year. A reception of cocoa and treats will follow on the Goddard Chapel steps.

- **Nov. 28 – Dec. 19, 2021**

  **Pax et Lux: A Multifaith Celebration**

  A celebration of the Advent season across traditions, with WuZee, Shir Appeal, Public Harmony, Ballroom Dance Team, and stories from chaplains and students about their experiences and assumptions. This event is hosted by the Institute for Islamic, Christian, Jewish Studies and Goucher College. You are invited to interact with the piece, and engage with the uplifted consciousness and achievements. What was once considered extraordinary is now in many circles commonplace: we read and study them, use them, and think about them for our own uses.

  - **Humanist and Non-Theist Chaplaincy**
    - "Emergence: The Rhythms of the Human Condition"
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- **Sun., Feb. 27, 2022**

  **Dance Magazine Cover Party**

  A celebration to honor Tufts’ own dance magazine, Dance Magazine, which recently featured a cover story on Tufts students.

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### Churches\, Temples\, and Other Houses of Worship in the Tufts University Area

### Upcoming Programs and Events at Tufts University

- **Tufts University Chaplaincy**
  - "Therapy Animals" event
  - "Manea\, Kamehameha: A Reflection on the Life of a Young Hawaiian King, 200 Years Since His Death" event
  - "Queer Jesus" event

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