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, educate about different traditions, and offer resources and events tailored to various spiritual practices and beliefs.

**Sikhism**
Guru Nanak Dev is highly revered by the Sikh community. The anniversary of Guru Nanak’s birth, celebrated every November 14, is a significant event in the Sikh calendar. The celebration of the birth of Guru Nanak is a day to honor his teachings and contributions to Sikhism.

**Baha'i Faith**
The anniversary of the birth of Baha'u'llah, the founder of the Baha'i faith, is celebrated on November 6, 2021. Work is suspended on this day as a sign of respect for Baha'u'llah's contributions to humanity. The Baha'i Faith is a world religion that emphasizes the unity of humanity and the oneness of God. Baha'u'llah's teachings emphasize the importance of education, the advancement of science, and the promotion of social justice.

**Hinduism**
The Hindu Student Council will host a Puja (a Hindu religious ceremony) on November 13, 2021, as part of Diwali Giveaway and Puja. Diwali, the Hindu festival of lights, is a joyous occasion that celebrates the victory of light over darkness and good over evil. The Puja is a symbolic act of worship that expresses gratitude and devotion to the deities.

**Environmental Awareness**
On November 4, 2021, from 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm ET, the University Chaplaincy is partnering with the Latinx Center to offer a film titled “In Living Memory: Legacy of the Horn of Africa.” The documentary film explores the challenges and experiences of the Horn of Africa community in Italy and examines the historical legacies of Italian colonialism in the region. The film aims to bring attention to the collective memory and the ongoing impacts of colonialism on the region.

**Community Engagement**
A lmanac: Book, Music, Lyrics is a project that aims to combine literature, music, and activism to support the community. The project features works by Harrison J. Clark and Benjamin H. Mizrach. The show will be performed at Cohen Auditorium on the Tufts University Medford campus. For more information, visit the Facebook event page or contact Catholic Chaplain Lynn Cooper to sign up or learn more.

**Cultural and Religious Celebrations**
The University Chaplaincy supports various cultural and religious celebrations throughout the year, including Día de los Muertos, Samhain, All Souls Day, and more. The evening will feature organ music, performances by Enchanted and sQ!, and spoken word. This event is open to all LGBT+ folks beyond the University Chaplaincy community too, regardless of their religious, non-religious, spiritual, and philosophical backgrounds.

**Volunteer Opportunities**
On Thursday, November 4, 2021, a Busy Person’s Retreat will be held at 6:10 a.m. in front of the LGBT Center. Volunteers travel together and will send new folks with returners to offer support. The retreat is open to all religious, non-religious, spiritual, or philosophical identities. Chaplains and Counseling and Mental Health Services staff will be present to support any students who wish to debrief during or after the event.

**Community Support**
The University Chaplaincy is committed to providing support and resources to the Tufts community. We encourage students and community members to reach out for help, whether it’s through prayer, reflection, or seeking guidance. Please email Protestant Chaplain Dan Bell or Catholic Chaplain Lynn Cooper if you have questions or concerns.

**Resources and Opportunities**
For more information about events and resources, visit chaplaincy.tufts.edu or contact the University Chaplaincy directly. Stay tuned for upcoming events and signature programs. Don't forget to subscribe to the E-NEWS for the latest updates.