Tufts University Chaplaincy | Goddard Chapel, 3 The Green | Medford, MA 02155 US

Spiritual and ethical issues in society and the world, and promote multifaith engagement.

The University Chaplaincy is a dynamic hub supporting religious, spiritual, ethical, and cultural life for all members of the Tufts community.

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception is celebrated on December 8th to commemorate the conception of Mary, mother of Jesus.

Saturday, 12.12.2020

The Feast of Lights (Feast of Dedication) is celebrated for eight days to commemorate the rededication of the Harvard Divinity School. To see more upcoming religious holidays and festivals, please follow the link to the University Chaplaincy website.

Thursday, December 10, 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. ET

Speech to the class of 2021 at the Baccalaureate Ceremony. If you know a senior who embodies the Tufts value of civic engagement and who would be interested in delivering a speech to the class of 2021, please consider nominating. If you have any questions, please contact the University Chaplaincy.

February 1, 2021

To celebrate the end of the first semester and the start of the second, a virtual event is planned. Each year one graduating senior is chosen to be the class speaker at the Baccalaureate Ceremony during their senior year. To offer a message to inspire the graduating class and reflect on how a Tufts education might help make the world a better place, please consider nominating. If you have any questions, please contact the University Chaplaincy.

Wherever you are, I wish you connection to whatever brings you hope in this season.

Saturday, December 19, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. ET

Countless others, it is not. Personally, I feel like I began observing Advent in March when the lockdown began. The end of the first semester coincides with the Christian liturgical season of Advent. These four weeks are a journey towards the future with hope. Not a specific hope of this thing or that, but rather a long-view hope, a trust in something merciful, something brighter, something so much greater than myself. It is more of a posture than a plan. We do not know when the tunnel. We are not there yet but soon and very soon. Our anticipation of hope is coming to its own season of bluebird feathers. We are not there yet, but we are getting close.

The Preceptors for 2021 are selected based on the following criteria:

- The candidate must be in their senior year.
- They must have a strong academic record.
- They must demonstrate leadership skills.
- They must have a passion for service.

For Zoom links to any offering listed above, please visit our University Chaplaincy website.

Confession by appointment

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Advent Devotional

Wednesday, 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. ET

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An Evening of Catholic Social Teaching

Wednesdays, 8:00 a.m. - 8:50 a.m. ET

Catholic Spirituality Hour

Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. ET

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Tufts chaplains from the Catholic tradition are offering a meditation and prayer session on Zoom. Participants are invited to join and share their reflections and insights. The meditation and prayer session is offered on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. ET, and participants are invited to share their reflections and insights.

An Evening of Catholic Social Teaching

The University Chaplaincy is hosting an evening of Catholic Social Teaching on Zoom. Participants are invited to join and share their reflections and insights. The event is open to all, regardless of faith background, and is offered on Wednesdays at 8:00 a.m. ET.

For more information, please visit the University Chaplaincy website or contact the Catholic Chaplain.

Ritual helps us as humans mark a moment, make meaning amidst complexity and take time to express our beliefs and values. In honor of Trans Day of Remembrance, we are hosting a virtual community art gallery. The gallery showcases art created by Tufts students, faculty, and staff. The art is a celebration of diversity and inclusion, and all are welcome to participate.

The gallery is open to all, and participants are invited to share their reflections and insights. The event is offered on Zoom, and participants are invited to share their reflections and insights.

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In honor of the end of the academic year, the University Chaplaincy is hosting an interactive game and conclusion with Ganesh puja. Participants are invited to join and share their reflections and insights. The event is offered on Friday, December 11, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. ET, and participants are invited to share their reflections and insights.

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Digital editions of The Shalom Journal are available on the University Chaplaincy website. The journal is intended to provide resources, support, and guidance for individuals and communities in the midst of challenging times. The journal includes articles on topics such as mental health, addiction, and spirituality.

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Wendell Phillips Speaker Nominations are Open

The University Chaplaincy is hosting a series of talks by Wendell Phillips, a political leader and social reformer who advocated for justice and equality. The talks are offered on Zoom, and participants are invited to share their reflections and insights.

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Check in with a Chaplain

Tufts chaplains from the Christian tradition are offering a check-in service on Zoom. Participants are invited to join and share their reflections and insights. The check-in service is offered on Wednesdays at 8:00 a.m. ET, and participants are invited to share their reflections and insights.

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Rabbi Naftali Brawer, Jewish Chaplain

Azmera Hammouri-Davis, Africana Spirituality Advisor

Lynn Cooper, Buddhist Mindfulness Sangha Founder

Elyse Nelson Winger, University Chaplain

Nora Bond, Jewish Community Engagement Director

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Resources, Scholarships, and Opportunities

The University Chaplaincy is offering a variety of resources, scholarships, and opportunities to students and faculty. Participants are invited to join and share their reflections and insights. The resources are offered on Zoom, and participants are invited to share their reflections and insights.

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Follow this link to apply for the Wendell Phillips Speaker nomination.