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

**Tradition: Judaism**

- **Tu B’shevat**
  - Sun., Jan. 16, 2022
  - Commemorates the baptism of Jesus and the manifestation of the Trinity. The day is especially important in Latino/a cultures.

- **Epiphany**
  - Thu., Jan. 6, 2022
  - Celebrated in the traditions of Christianity-Protestant and Christianity-Roman Catholic. It is the occasion of the manifestation of the Christ to the gentiles. The day is especially important in Latino/a cultures.

**Tradition: Sikhism**

- **Birthday of Guru Gobind Sing Ji**
  - Mon., Jan. 3, 2022
  - Celebrates the creation of animals. Zoroastrians are encouraged to remember their practice of the equitable sharing of resources with all beings. This day represents the recognition of the interdependence of all life.

**Tradition: Zoroastrianism**

- **Death of Prophet Zarathustra**
  - Mon., Jan. 3, 2022
  - Memorializes the death of the prophet, who is considered the founder of the Zoroastrian faith.

**Tradition: Christianity-Orthodox**

- **Feast of the Nativity of Jesus Christ**
  - Sat., Dec. 25, 2021
  - Begins at sundown. This is a significant feast day in the Eastern Orthodox Church, commemorating the birth of Jesus Christ.

Other important dates:

- **Harvard Divinity School** marks the beginning of the Christian liturgical year on the first Sunday of Advent. This is a time to reflect on the themes of repentance, preparation, and expectation.

The Office of Residential Life and Learning is currently recruiting for student leadership positions for the 2022-23 academic year. To learn more or express interest, contact the Office at reslife@tufts.edu.

**Harvard Square Homeless Shelter Volunteering with the Catholic Chaplaincy**

The University Chaplaincy will provide a T Pass for transportation on the 96 bus into Harvard Square, which stops at the shelter. Contact the Catholic Chaplaincy for more information.

**Upcoming Signature Events**

- **Harvard Square: A Multifaith Celebration**
  - Wednesday, January 26, 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. (tentatively)
  - Interfaith Ambassadors and University Chaplaincy are honoring the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s legacy. The event will take place at the first public event of three to bring us together as a community to deepen our understanding of the radical work of the Kings, and to continue to shape Tufts into a place of true belonging, equity, and care.

- **Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Celebration**
  - Wednesday, January 26, 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. (tentatively)
  - The event will include a panel discussion featuring students and faculty to consider how their labor, rest, and play connect to care and to reflect on this legacy. It will be an opportunity to remember the commitment that both Rev. Dr. King and Coretta Scott King shared to deep care of one another, self, and others on campus, and excellent skills that are transferrable to life at Tufts and beyond.

- **MLK Day of Community Action**
  - Students are invited to save the date for the annual Day of Community Action, formerly called Day of Service. The event will begin in the morning with a meaningful service activity and conclude with a celebratory dinner at the Student Center. It is an opportunity to volunteer and learn about the needs of the local community.

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**Harvard Divinity School**

To see more upcoming religious holidays and festivals, please follow the link to the Harvard Divinity School website.

**Resources, Scholarships, and Opportunities**

- **Apply for joining us!**
  - If interested in learning more, check out an information session led by the Office of Residential Life and Learning.

**A Winter Greeting from our Team**

May this threshold season be one of meaning and connectedness. May your heart be set aglow, filling the in-betweens with God’s abiding peace. May your joy be deep and your celebration profound. May you always feel cared for and safe, and know that you are never alone.

We are a campus of many beliefs and traditions. We seek and make meaning, meditate and pray, celebrate and reflect. Join us in this quest for the bread of love. We wish you and yours a winter season full of kindness and friendship.