



**TECH CATHOLIC**  
community

**April 14th, 2019**  
**Palm Sunday of the**  
**Lord's Passion / C**  
see hymnal # 1032

**Mass and Confession Schedule**

(in MIT Chapel)  
Sunday 9:30 AM, 1:00 PM, 5:00 PM  
Monday & Wednesday 7:30 PM\*\*  
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 12:05 PM\*\*  
Confession after Mass - except Mon. (7 PM)  
\*\*When classes are in session

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**Joining TCC**

TCC registration go to  
tcc.mit.edu/www/register.html

TCCM is a moderated announcement  
list for the Tech Catholic Community.

To subscribe or unsubscribe, go to  
http://mailman.mit.edu  
/mailman/listinfo/tccm

To post a message in the bulletin or  
on the TCCM list, send an email to:  
tcc-updates@mit.edu

Receive emails about all our activities  
by signing up for our other lists at  
http://tcc.mit.edu/www  
/getinvolved.html#email

W11 is on MIT ID access only – so have your ID with you, and don't hold doors open for others, please!

**TCC Holy Week Schedule:**

- \* **Palm Sunday** – TODAY -April 14– Masses at 9:30 AM, 1 PM and 5 PM
- \* **Mass Confessions before Mass at 7 PM and following Mass** –Monday, April 15 – Mass at 7:30 PM
- \* **Mass followed by Confessions** – Tuesday, April 16 – Mass at 5:15 PM (NO 12:05 PM Mass)
- \* **Mass followed by Confessions** – Wednesday, April 17 – Mass at 7:30 PM
- \* **Holy Thursday** – April 18 – Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30 PM (NO 12:05 PM Mass)
- \* **Good Friday** – April 19 – Celebration of The Lord's Passion at 3 PM – (NO 12:05 PM Mass)
- \* **Easter Vigil Mass** – Saturday, April 20 at 8:30 PM
- \* **Easter Morning Mass** – Sunday, April 21 at 10 AM – (NO 1 PM and 5 PM Mass)

**Liturgy of the Hours:** Friday, 4/19 and Saturday, 4/20 at 9 AM in the Chapel.

**Little Sisters of the Poor:** This Tuesday, April 16 from 9 AM-2 PM we will be going to the Little Sisters of the Poor to help out with their garden and Easter preparations! If you are interested, please sign up on the Google form (sent through GroupMe and TCCM) or contact [munnenn@mit.edu](mailto:munnenn@mit.edu). We want as many helping hands as possible, so please sign up if you can come for all or part of the time!

**Attention Juniors:** The Augustine Institute in Denver, Colorado invites rising seniors to attend a summer conference (June 27-29, Th-Sat) to discuss the relationship between Catholic faith and contemporary culture. All attendees receive a full scholarship. Apply before April 29: <https://www.augustineinstitute.org/cityofgodseminar>. Fr. Moloney will write a recommendation for any TCC student who asks.

**April**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
14 <i>Palm Sunday</i> Mass: 9:30 AM, 1 PM, 5 PM Donuts in W11 following Masses	15 <i>Patriot's Day</i> 6:00 PM Adoration 7:30 PM: Mass 8 PM: Adoration and Confession	16 <i>Vacation</i> 5:15 PM Mass 5:45 PM: Confession	17 7:30 PM: Mass 8:00 PM Adoration and Confession	18 7:30 PM: Mass of the Lord's Supper	19 9 AM: Liturgy of the Hours 3 PM: Celebr. of The Lord's Passion 7 PM: "Passion of Christ"	20 9 AM: Liturgy of the Hours 8:30 PM: Easter Vigil Mass followed by Easter Party
21 <i>Easter</i> 10 AM: Mass BBQ following Mass (NO 1 PM and 5 PM Mass)	22 6:00 PM Adoration 7:30 PM: Mass	23 11:00 AM Adoration 12:05 PM: Mass	24 7:30 PM: Mass 8:00 PM Adoration and Confession	25 12:05 PM: Mass	26 11:00AM Adoration 12:05 PM: Mass 7 PM: Spaghetti Supper	27 y

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) and Course in the Fundamentals of the Catholic Faith:**

Fr. Moloney is offering a class in the fundamentals of the Catholic faith on Sundays from 2:45-3:45 PM in the Small Dining Room of W11. For more info contact Fr. Moloney [dmoloney@mit.edu](mailto:dmoloney@mit.edu).

**Women's Discernment Group for Religious Life:** *Tuesdays at 6PM.* Do you think God might be calling you to religious life? Do you want to know more about the nature of religious life and the call to it? Father Moloney will be leading discussion centered on religious life and how to discern if God is calling us. If interested, contact Mariah Mullen [mmullen@mit.edu](mailto:mmullen@mit.edu). Copies of the book *Discerning Religious Life* are available in the office in W11-012

**Watching the "Passion of Christ"** (instead of Spaghetti Supper): 7 PM in Simmons. More info over TCCM.

**Want to join the Choir?** For details, visit [bit.ly/mit-tcc-choir](http://bit.ly/mit-tcc-choir) or email Piotr Suwara ([suwara@mit.edu](mailto:suwara@mit.edu))

**BBMSK (Back Bay Mobile Soup Kitchen):** We serve homeless communities in Back Bay and Cambridge giving out socks, sandwiches, and a friendly presence to folks we come across on the street. 6:00 PM on Tuesdays at W11 or 6:00 PM on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays in front of St. Clement's Shrine. For more info, visit [bbmsk.org](http://bbmsk.org)

**TCC Grad Student Dinner:** Meet Wednesdays at 7:15 PM on the first floor of the Student Center (outside Anna's Taqueria). Feel free to bring your own meal, or get something from the food court, and share in conversation and fellowship! For any questions, please contact Brandon Roach ([roachb@mit.edu](mailto:roachb@mit.edu), cell 734-787-8727).

**Integrity@MIT:** A Catholic men's peer support group regarding pornography, chastity, and sexual addiction. Contact [integrity@mit.edu](mailto:integrity@mit.edu) for more information.

**Fiat:** A group for single women interested in learning more about a vocation to religious life, cordially invites you to the next meeting on April 24, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sisters of Saint Joseph, 637 Cambridge St., Brighton, MA. The topic will be "The Missionary Vocation." For more info, contact S. Marian Batho, CSJ at [marian.batho@csjboston.org](mailto:marian.batho@csjboston.org) or 617-746-2025. Check out the Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/FiatForDiscerningWomen](https://www.facebook.com/FiatForDiscerningWomen).

## Pope Francis: We Are All Debtors to Christ, His Love, His Sacrifice

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This is the first truth of every prayer: even if we were perfect persons, even if we were crystalline saints who never deflect from a life of goodness, ***we always remain children who owe all to the Father.***

What is the most dangerous attitude of every Christian life? It's *pride*. It's the attitude of one who puts himself before God, thinking that he always has his accounts with Him in order. The proud person believes he has everything in its place. As that Pharisee of the parable, who thinks he is praying in the Temple but who, in reality, praises himself before God: "I thank you, Lord because I'm not like the others." People who think they are perfect, who criticize others, are proud people. ***Not one of us is perfect, not one.*** The publican, on the contrary, a sinner held in contempt by all in the Temple, stops on the threshold of the Temple and doesn't feel worthy to enter, but rather he entrusts himself to God's mercy. And Jesus comments: "He, as opposed to the other, went home justified" (*Luke 18:14*), namely, forgiven, saved. Why? —because he wasn't proud; because he acknowledged his limitations and his sins.

There are sins that are seen and sins that aren't seen. There are blatant sins that make noise, but there are also subtle sins, which nest in the heart without our even realizing it. The worst of these is pride, which can infect even persons that live an intense religious life. There was once in a convent of sisters, in the years 1600-1700, famous at the time of Jansenism for their perfectionism; it was said of them that they were *pure as angels but proud as devils*. **Pride is an awful thing.**

Sin divides fraternity; sin makes us presume that we are better than others; sin makes us believe we are similar to God. And, instead, before God, we are all sinners and we have reason to beat our breast— all of us! as that publican in the Temple. In his First Letter, Saint John writes: "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us" (*1 John 1:8*). If you want to deceive yourself, say that you have no sin: so you are deceiving yourself.

**We are debtors, first of all, because we have received so much in this life:** existence, a father and a mother, friendship, the wonders of Creation . . . Even if it happens to all to go through difficult days, we must always remember that life is a grace, it's a miracle that God extracted from nothing.

In the second place, **we are debtors because, even if we succeed in loving, none of us is able to do so with his or her own strength.** True love is when we can *love with God's grace*. None of us shines with our own light. Ancient theologians spoke of a "*mysterium lunae*" not only in the identity of the Church, but also in the history of each one of us. What did they mean by "*mysterium lunae*"? That we are like the moon, which does not have its own light, but rather reflects the light of the sun. We Christians also don't have our own light: *the light we have is a reflection of the grace of God*, of the *light* of God. If you love it's because someone, outside of you, smiled at you when you were a child, teaching you to respond with a smile. If you love, it's because someone next to you has awakened you to love, making you understand how the meaning of existence resides in that.

So let us try to listen to the story of a person who has made a mistake: a prisoner, a condemned man, a drug addict... we know so many people who make mistakes in life. Without prejudice to their own responsibility, which is always personal, sometimes one does wonder whether others must also be blamed for their mistakes, whether it's only a person's conscience, or whether there's a history of hatred and abandonment that someone carries behind him.

And this is the mystery of the moon: ***we love first of all because we have been loved***; we forgive because we have been forgiven. And if the sun's light hasn't illuminated someone, he becomes frozen like the ground in winter.

***In the chain of love that precedes us, how can we not also recognize the provident presence of God's love?*** No one of us loves God as He has loved us. Suffice it to place oneself before a crucifix to understand the disproportion. He has loved us and always loves us first.

Therefore, let's pray: Lord, even the holiest in our midst doesn't cease to be your debtor. O, Father, have mercy on us all!

--From his General Audience, April 10, 2019