



TECH CATHOLIC
community

August 25, 2019
Twenty-First Sunday
in Ordinary Time/
Year C
see hymnal # 1154

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
http://tcc.mit.edu/about-us/contact-us

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

TCC welcomes all new and returning students and their families.
Following our Welcome Masses in the MIT Chapel, please join us for our receptions
- following 9:30 AM Mass in W11/Main Dining Room
- following 1 PM and 5 PM Masses in W11/ Community Room

During Orientation Week in the MIT Chapel:

-Morning Prayer: Mon 8/26 to Sat 8/31 @ 9am
-Daily Masses: Mon, Tue, Wed and Fri @ 12 noon
-Daily Mass, Adoration & Confession: Thu @ 7:30pm

More Orientation Week Events:

- **Lawn Game "Capture the Flag":** Thu. 8/27 – 7:30 PM / Kresge Lawn. Join the Tech Catholic Community for a riveting game of Capture the Flag! Come run around and hang out with great people! Meet on the lawn between Kresge Auditorium and the Z. Center.
- **Lunch:** Thu 8/29 @ 12 noon
- **Spaghetti Supper:** Fri. 8/30 – 6 PM / W11 Community Room. Come to hang out with Catholic students and eat some delicious spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, and desserts. We'll have board games and card games, and students will be available to talk about the intersection of faith and MIT. Join in our weekly community time for food, fellowship, and fun!
- **The Scoop about being Catholic @ MIT:** Saturday 8/31, 2-4 PM W11 /Main Dining Room. Your opportunity to ask a panel of upperclassmen how they've been able to grow in their Catholic faith at MIT. Enjoy ice cream sundaes and learn how students balance their schoolwork and spiritual life.

Welcome/Welcome Back BBQ: 9/1 – 2 PM / Kresge BBQ pits. Join us following the 1 PM Mass for our BBQ. Lots of food and good people.

Announcing the St. Monica Society to pray for family members who are not close to the faith. First meeting this Friday (8/27). Contact tcc-pc@mit.edu for details.

Extraordinary Minister / Lector Training: If you would like to serve in our liturgical ministries (extraordinary minister of Holy Communion, lector, etc.) please contact Bernadine Kensingler at bkensingler50@gmail.com. and come to a training session at 3 pm on Sunday, Sept. 8.

Are you a Graduate Student or Young Professional interested in deepening your understanding of Scripture? The grad men's and women's groups will be holding weekly joint Bible studies over the summer. Contact Aileen Devlin (amdevlin@mit.edu) or Brandon Roach (roachb@mit.edu) or for more info.

Small Group Bible Studies: Graduate and undergraduate students are invited to join one of the many groups that meet to open the Scriptures and discuss the faith. Contact.. catherine.alex@focus.org or phillip.wuillschleger@focus.org

Save the Date

Trip to Six Flags New England: Saturday, Sept. 21. We will leave at 10:30 AM and will be back home at around 9 PM. Tickets and bus transportation are free.

August/September						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25 Mass: 9:30 AM, 1 PM, 5 PM Reception following Masses	26 9 AM: Morning Prayer 12 PM: Mass	27 9 AM: Morning Prayer 12 PM: Mass 7:30 PM: Capture the Flag	28 9 AM: Morning Prayer 12 PM: Mass	29 9 AM: Morning Prayer 12 PM: Lunch 7:30 PM Mass, Adoration & Confession	30 9 AM: Morning Prayer 12 PM: Mass 6 PM: Spaghetti Supper	31 9 AM: Morning Prayer 2 PM: The Scoop about being Catholic @ MIT
1 Mass: 9:30 AM, 1 PM, 5 PM BBQ following 1PM Mass Donuts in W11 following 9:30am and 5pm Masses	2 7:30 PM: Mass	3 12:05 PM: Mass	4 7:30 PM Mass, Adoration & Confession	5 12:05 PM: Mass	6 12:05 PM: Mass 7 PM: Spaghetti Supper	7

Register for TCC: Be sure to register for the TCC, so that you can be on the email lists and find out about opportunities to volunteer and grow in your faith. It takes less than a minute: <http://tcc.mit.edu/about-us/contact-us>

For those interested in becoming Catholic, being Baptized, receiving First Communion, or being Confirmed, come to a meeting on Sunday, September 22, at 3 PM in the Small Dining Room of W11. We will discuss the process of receiving these sacraments and coordinate future meetings. Bring a sponsor or friend if you'd like. *Please reach out to Fr. Moloney to set up a time to talk individually (dmoloney@mit.edu).*

Want to join the Choir? We are looking for new singers and instrumentalists (in particular, we are looking for pianists/organists!) for the TCC Choir. For details email Piotr Suwara (suwara@mit.edu).

St. Monica: The Patron Saint of Helicopter Moms*

September 27 is the feast day of St. Monica, the mother of St. Augustine of Hippo. Here is an excerpt from Book 3 of Augustine's Confessions, on how Augustine's college years in Carthage led him away from a virtuous life. His mother, knowing her son was brilliant and liked to argue, asked the bishop to work on him. However, it was Monica's prayers, rather than her more direct interventions, that won him back.

1. I came to Carthage, where a cauldron of unholy loves was seething and bubbling all around me. I was not in love as yet, but I was in love with love... I was looking for something to love, for I was in love with loving, and I hated security and a smooth way, free from snares. Within me I had a dearth of that inner food which is thyself, my God--although that dearth caused me no hunger. To love and to be loved was sweet to me, and all the more when I gained the enjoyment of the body of the person I loved. Thus, I polluted the spring of friendship with the filth of concupiscence and I dimmed its luster with the slime of lust. Yet, foul and unclean as I was, I still craved, in excessive vanity, to be thought elegant and urbane...6. Those studies I was then pursuing, generally accounted as respectable, were aimed at distinction in the courts of law--to excel in which, the craftier I was, the more I should be praised. Such is the blindness of men that they even glory in their blindness. And by this time, I had become a master in the School of Rhetoric, and I rejoiced proudly in this honor and became inflated with arrogance.

...19. And now thou didst "stretch forth thy hand from above" (Ps. 143:7) and didst draw up my soul out of that profound darkness [of Manicheism] because *my mother, thy faithful one, wept to thee on my behalf more than mothers are accustomed to weep for the bodily deaths of their children*. For by the light of the faith and spirit which she received from thee, she saw that spiritually I was dead. And thou didst hear her, O Lord, thou didst hear her and despised not her tears when, pouring down, they watered the earth under her eyes in every place where she prayed. Thou didst truly hear her. *Nearly nine years passed in which I wallowed in the mud of that deep pit and in the darkness of falsehood, striving often to rise, but being all the more heavily dashed down. But all that time this chaste, pious, and sober widow--such as thou dost love--was now more buoyed up with hope*, though no less zealous in her weeping and mourning; and she did not cease to bewail my case before thee, in all the hours of her supplication. Her prayers entered thy presence, and yet thou didst allow me still to tumble and toss around in that darkness.

21. Meanwhile, thou gavest her yet another answer, ... by a priest of thine, a certain bishop reared in thy Church and well versed in thy books. When my mother had begged him to agree to have some discussion with me, to refute my errors, to help me to unlearn evil and to learn the good—for it was his habit to do this when he found people ready to receive it—he refused, very prudently, as I afterward realized. For he answered that I was still unteachable, being inflated with the novelty of that heresy, and that I had already perplexed diverse inexperienced persons with vexatious questions, as she herself had told him. "But *let him alone for a time*," he said, "only pray to God for him. He will of his own accord, by reading, come to discover what an error it is and how great its impiety is." ... When he had said this, she was not satisfied, but repeated more earnestly her entreaties, and shed copious tears, still beseeching him to see and talk with me. Finally, the bishop, a little vexed at her importunity, exclaimed, "Go your way; as you live, *it cannot be that the son of these tears should perish*." As she often told me afterward, she accepted this answer as though it were a voice from heaven.

* *Not her official title*