



September 1, 2019
Twenty-Second
Sunday in Ordinary
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 see hymnal # 1157

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

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

Masses on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday in the up-coming two weeks 9/2 - 9/13 will be held @ 5:10 PM in the MIT Chapel. There will be NO 12:05 PM Masses these days, due to installation of card-readers at the Chapel. Monday and Wednesday Masses and the Sunday Masses stay the same.

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Announcing the St. Monica Society to pray for family members who are not close to the faith. Contact tcc-pc@mit.edu for details.

Chaplain

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Extraordinary Minister / Lector Training: If you would like to serve in our liturgical ministries (extraordinary minister of Holy Communion, lector, etc.) please contact Bernadine Kensinger at bkensinger50@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 Catholic faith and understanding of Scripture? The grad men's and women's groups will be holding weekly Bible studies during the semester. Contact Brandon Roach (roachb@mit.edu) or Aileen Devlin (amdevlin@mit.edu) for more info.

Associate Chaplain

Rev. Mr. Augustine Hwang:
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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.wullschleger@focus.org

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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. Sign up in the back of the Chapel or email catholic@mit.edu.

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Choir rehearsal 1 hour before Mass
 (2 hours before 1 PM Mass)
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Joining TCC

TCC registration go to
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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).*

Spaghetti Suppers: Join the TCC every Friday night from 7-9 PM in the W11 Community Room for a free spaghetti supper! This is a time for food, fellowship, and fun.

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).

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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>

Jesus Christ, Party Animal

What's your image of Christ? That of an austere, ascetic individual who basically remains silent except when he's speaking profundities? *That's closer to the picture of John the Baptist.*¹ Here are some things the Scriptures tell us about Jesus:

- He had the reputation of being a *drunk*² and *glutton*³.
- He had excellent taste in wine, and once was a miracle-working vintner.⁴
- He *frequently* attended parties throughout his public ministry.⁵
- He *invited himself* to parties with the rich⁶.
- Sinners enjoyed partying with him.⁷
- He didn't want the party to end (nor did his mother).⁸
- His disciples also had a reputation of drinking heavily and often—and they kind of embraced it. When they were accused of being drunk at the Jewish feast of Pentecost, how did they defend themselves? Did they say, “our reputation for sobriety is known to all?” Not quite. Their actual defense was: “We're not drunk yet! It's only 9 am! That's *way* too early to start.”⁹

The Gospels strongly suggest *there was something intoxicating and fun* about being in Jesus' presence.¹⁰

Jesus even gives us the outlines of an ethics of partying:

- Invite people you don't like;¹¹
- Greet your guests when they arrive with love and concern for little details;¹²
- Let other people at the party have all the attention;¹³
- Go to parties to teach in some way about the Kingdom of heaven;¹⁴
- Don't break up a conversation about deeper things just to make the party move along;¹⁵
- Whenever something good happens, throw a party to celebrate it!¹⁶
- Don't let politeness be an excuse to put up with sin or hypocrisy.¹⁷

Holy partying *leads people away from thinking of their leisure time as a time of selfishness.* Instead, we throw parties out of *love for our neighbor* and a *desire to serve* them. Jesus wants us to know that heaven will be a big party.¹⁸ *His partying on earth is meant to prepare us for the party in the life to come.* That doesn't mean we are supposed to party every day—there are feast days and fasting days and ordinary days. But an important part of our spiritual life is learning how to celebrate properly.

So, on Sunday or the next feast day, get a little silly with Jesus! And on the next holy day of obligation, don't do work. Rather, make the Holy Day a *holiday*, and celebrate with a big party.

¹ Matthew 3:4

² Matthew 11:19

³ Luke 7:33

⁴ John 2:10

⁵ Luke 14:1ff; 15:2

⁶ Luke 19:1-10

⁷ Luke 9:10

⁸ John 2:3

⁹ Acts 2:13-15

¹⁰ Matthew 9:14-15

¹¹ Luke 14:12-14

¹² Luke 7:36-47

¹³ Luke 14:8-10

¹⁴ Luke 14:15-24

¹⁵ Luke 10:38-42

¹⁶ Luke 15:6 (party after finding the lost sheep); 15:9 (party after finding the lost coin); Luke 15:23 (party after the return of the prodigal son)

¹⁷ Luke 14:1-6

¹⁸ Revelations 19:9