



**October 13th, 2019**  
**Twenty-Eighth**  
**Sunday in Ordinary**  
**Time/ Year C**  
*see hymnal # 1175*

**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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 list for the Tech Catholic Community.

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 on the TCCM list, send an email to:  
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Receive emails about all our activities  
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 /getinvolved.html#email

**Thomistic Institute Talk: Can Nature Make Laws? An Intro to Natural Law Tradition** Natural law is the attempt to derive moral rules from our rational study of human nature and the world. A lot of Catholic moral teachings, especially about sex and human dignity, are derived from natural reason and explained in terms that should be accessible to people who are open to being reasoned with. For our first Thomistic Institute talk of the year, Prof. Raymond Hain of Providence College's philosophy department will give a lecture on the basics of the natural law tradition of moral reasoning. Thursday, Oct. 17, Room 3-270, 5:30 PM

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

Fr. Moloney will be offering a class in the fundamentals of the Catholic faith on Sundays @ 11:15 AM in W11/SDR. The class will cover everything from the Trinity to Church history to the Sacraments, prayer, and the moral life. It is meant to be both a high-level introduction to the faith appropriate for interested non-Catholics, and a serious review of the faith for those who are Catholics. It is required for those in becoming Catholic, being Baptized, receiving First Communion, or being Confirmed (who should also reach out to Fr. Moloney to set up a time to talk individually (dmoloney@mit.edu).

**Melchizedek Group for Priestly Vocations:** Fr. Moloney will lead a discussion group about the nature of the priestly vocation and how to discern if God is calling you to the "order of Melchizedek" (Heb. 5:6, 7:17) using the book To Save a Thousand Souls. We meet on Mondays 5-6PM. To attend doesn't mean that you are thinking about entering the seminary, or even that you're not dating. It can simply mean that you're interested in supporting others think about the priesthood. Contact [mteodros@mit.edu](mailto:mteodros@mit.edu) if interested. Books are available from Father's office in W11.

**Women's Marriage Discussion Group.** This new group will be meeting every other week to discuss marriage as a vocation. It is open to all women (i.e. you do not need to be married). Our next meeting is Tuesday Oct. 22 at 6 PM at W20's first floor meeting room (by MITFCU) and we will discuss "Marriage and the Self: Knowing oneself before and after marriage." Please email [tcc-marriage.vocation@gmail.com](mailto:tcc-marriage.vocation@gmail.com) for additional details or to be added to the group's listerv. Dinner will be served and kids are welcome.

**Fiat Group for Women's Discernment:** Fr. Moloney will lead a reading and discussion group about the nature of the vocation to celibacy in religious life, and how to discern if God is calling us to be "like the angels in heaven" (Matthew 22:30). Meeting times Wednesdays at 6-7 PM. To attend doesn't mean that you are thinking about entering the convent, or even that you're not dating. It can simply mean that you're interested in supporting others who are thinking about religious life. If interested, Contact [gwynethi@mit.edu](mailto:gwynethi@mit.edu) if interested. Copies of the book Discerning Religious Life are available in the office in W11-012

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**Service Opportunity:** On October 18 and 19 there is an awesome service opportunity to help Boston's homeless community. Young adults from across Boston will gather to give out sandwiches and clothing to homeless people in the Commons, so you can meet other Catholic students while doing service! If anyone wants more information feel free to reach out to [munnen@mit.edu](mailto:munnen@mit.edu).

**Announcing the St. Monica Society** to pray for family members who are not close to the faith. Info: [tcc-pc@mit.edu](mailto:tcc-pc@mit.edu)

**Integrity@MIT:** Do you have trouble staying chaste? Are you tired of failing to live up to your virtues? Join a peer support group of Catholic men struggling for chastity. Contact [integrity@mit.edu](mailto:integrity@mit.edu) for more information and times of weekly meetings.

**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](mailto:roachb@mit.edu)) or Aileen Devlin ([amdevlin@mit.edu](mailto:amdevlin@mit.edu)) 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](mailto:catherine.alex@focus.org) or [phillip.wullschleger@focus.org](mailto:phillip.wullschleger@focus.org)

**Spaghetti Suppers:** Join the TCC every Friday night from 7-9 PM in W11 Comm. Rm for a free spaghetti supper!

**Prison Ministry in Boston:** MIT Student OPS (Operation Prisoner to Soldier) is an MIT outreach program partnered with TEJI (The Educational Justice Institute). More info and questions contact Jacqueline Pedlow ([ipedlow@mit.edu](mailto:ipedlow@mit.edu)).

**Drop-in Grief Support Group:** Tuesdays from 5-6pm in W20-303. Open to students of all religious, spiritual, moral, and ethical viewpoints. See [http://calendar.mit.edu/event/life\\_after\\_loss\\_drop-in\\_support\\_group](http://calendar.mit.edu/event/life_after_loss_drop-in_support_group)

## Pope Benedict XVI: Homily at Cardinal Newman's Beatification

Cardinal Newman's motto, *Cor ad cor loquitur*, or "Heart speaks unto heart", gives us an insight into his understanding of the Christian life as a call to holiness, experienced as the profound desire of the human heart to enter into intimate communion with the Heart of God. He reminds us that **faithfulness to prayer gradually transforms us into the divine likeness**. As he wrote in one of his many fine sermons, "a habit of prayer, the practice of turning to God and the unseen world in every season, in every place, in every emergency – prayer, I say, has what may be called a natural effect in spiritualizing and elevating the soul. A man is no longer what he was before; gradually ... he has imbibed a new set of ideas, and become imbued with fresh principles" (*Parochial and Plain Sermons*, iv, 230-231)... Blessed John Henry's teaching on prayer explains how the faithful Christian is definitively taken into the service of the one true Master, who alone has a claim to our unconditional devotion (cf. Mt 23:10). Newman helps us to understand what this means for our daily lives: he tells us that our divine Master has assigned a specific task to each one of us...: "I have my mission", he wrote, "I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons. He has not created me for naught. I shall do good, I shall do his work; I shall be an angel of peace, a preacher of truth in my own place ... if I do but keep his commandments and serve him in my calling" (*Meditations and Devotions*, 301-2).

The definite service to which Blessed John Henry was called involved applying his keen intellect and his prolific pen to many of the most pressing "subjects of the day". His insights into the relationship between **faith and reason**, into **the vital place of revealed religion in civilized society**, and into the **need for a broadly-based and wide-ranging approach to education** were not only of profound importance for Victorian England, but continue today to inspire and enlighten many all over the world. I would like to pay particular tribute to his vision for education, which has done so much to shape the ethos that is the driving force behind Catholic schools and colleges today. Firmly opposed to any reductive or utilitarian approach, he sought to achieve an educational environment in which intellectual training, moral discipline and religious commitment would come together. The project to found a Catholic University in Ireland provided him with an opportunity to develop his ideas on the subject, and the collection of discourses that he published as *The Idea of a University* holds up an ideal from which all those engaged in academic formation can continue to learn. And indeed, what better goal could teachers of religion set themselves than Blessed John Henry's famous appeal for an **intelligent, well-instructed laity**: "I want a laity, not arrogant, not rash in speech, not disputatious, but men who know their religion, who enter into it, who know just where they stand, who know what they hold and what they do not, who know their creed so well that they can give an account of it, who know so much of history that they can defend it" (*The Present Position of Catholics in England*, ix, 390). On this day when the author of those words is raised to the altars, I pray that, through his intercession and example, all who are engaged in the task of teaching and catechesis will be inspired to greater effort by the vision he so clearly sets before us.

While it is John Henry Newman's intellectual legacy that has understandably received most attention in the vast literature devoted to his life and work, I prefer on this occasion to conclude with a brief reflection on his life as a priest, a pastor of souls. The warmth and humanity underlying his appreciation of the pastoral ministry is beautifully expressed in another of his famous sermons: "*Had Angels been your priests, my brethren, they could not have consoled with you, sympathized with you, have had compassion on you, felt tenderly for you, and made allowances for you, as we can; they could not have been your patterns and guides, and have led you on from your old selves into a new life, as they can who come from the midst of you*" ("Men, not Angels: the Priests of the Gospel", *Discourses to Mixed Congregations*, 3). He lived out that profoundly human vision of priestly ministry in his devoted care for the people of Birmingham during the years that he spent at the Oratory he founded, visiting the sick and the poor, comforting the bereaved, caring for those in prison. No wonder that on his death so many thousands of people lined the local streets as his body was taken to its place of burial not half a mile from here. One hundred and twenty years later, great crowds have assembled once again to rejoice in the Church's solemn recognition of the outstanding holiness of this much-loved father of souls. What better way to express the joy of this moment than by turning to our heavenly Father in heartfelt thanksgiving, praying in the words that Blessed John Henry Newman placed on the lips of the choirs of angels in heaven:

"Praise to the Holiest in the height  
And in the depth be praise;  
In all his words most wonderful,  
Most sure in all his ways!"

(*The Dream of Gerontius*)