Dear TEC Applicant:

At the beginning of the Gospel of John, those interested in Jesus asked Him where He lived. Jesus’ response was simply, “Come and see” (John 1:39). They trusted, went with Him, and found truth and life.

TEC (Together Encountering Christ) is an intergenerational movement of the Catholic Church designed to help meet the spiritual needs of Catholic Christians, though we certainly welcome those of other Christian faiths to experience a TEC weekend. Each year, over 15,000 young people and adults in our country experience TEC. Each TEC retreat proclaims the Paschal Mystery which is the central message of Christianity – the death, resurrection, and mission of Christ. Participants not only hear about the Paschal Mystery, but they also experience it. A TEC is Scriptural, gives a well-defined overview of Catholic Doctrine, presents the attractiveness of the Liturgy, and brings the Gospel message alive through the witness of a community of adults and young people centered around the truths embodied by Jesus Christ.

Those who are 15 years and older are invited to take part in a KAIROS TEC (pronounced “kigh-rohs”) weekend. This Greek term means that now is the time of the Lord, now is the time of decision, now is the time of salvation. This name captures the uniqueness and reality of the TEC format. It has been an invaluable experience for many people and we extend this invitation to you to “come and see.”

This brochure contains the information that you will need in order to join many other young people and adults who make up the TEC Community in the Diocese of Madison. Here you will find general information, dates of the upcoming TEC weekends, starting and ending times, costs, what you should bring along, plus an idea of what TEC is all about.

Thank you for considering this offer and we truly look forward to seeing you at a future TEC!

Peace in Christ,
The KAIROS TEC BOARD

Voluntary Note:

It is very important that TEC is a voluntary experience. No one should be obligated to make a TEC in order to fulfill a graduation or Confirmation requirement.

“Being Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction.”

- Pope Benedict XVI, Deus Caritas Est (I) 2006

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For upcoming Dates & Locations

please see the insert inside this brochure or check out our Website at:

www.MadisonDiocese.org/TEC

To register:

Please fill out the registration form on the reverse side, enclose the nonrefundable $10 deposit, and send the deposit to our office early. Even though we often accept applications up to the start date of a TEC, we highly encourage you to apply as early as possible.

Approximately 1-3 weeks before the date of the TEC, we will send letters of acceptance to those who have applied and made a deposit.

We hope you will join us!

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KAIROS TEC

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TEC FAQs

What is TEC?
TEC (Together Encountering Christ) is an experience in Catholic Christian living, especially designed for adults and young people ages 15 and up.

Where will it be held?
At various parishes throughout the Diocese of Madison so that the TEC program may reach out to all interested people.

When should I arrive?
At 11:45 a.m. on the first day. Lunch is not served that day.

What time does TEC end?
Approximately 4:00 on the third day.

What should I bring to TEC?
Dress clothes for the Sunday Liturgy; casual clothes for the rest of the weekend, including a sweatshirt or sweater. Bring a sleeping bag, cot or air mattress, pillow, towel, washcloth, and personal toiletries.

What does it cost and what does that cover?
$65.00 for the entire weekend; this covers all meals and supplies. Early-bird discount: fee reduced to $55 if application and deposit are received 3 weeks ahead of TEC.

How do I get there?
You are responsible for making your own arrangements. A map will be sent to you once you register.

Who can make a TEC?
Catholics and other Christians who are at least 15 years old. All adults are highly encouraged to make a TEC.

How many from my parish may attend?
It is recommended that no more than six individuals from one parish participate in a given weekend; however, exceptions will be granted on an individual basis.

TEC Registration Form

Name: __________________________
Street Address: _________________________
City, State, Zip: __________________________
Phone(s): _____________________________
E-mail: _____________________________
Parish & City: __________________________
Male/Female: __________________________
Birthdate: _____________________________
TEC# & date: __________________________

Answer if applicable:
School: _____________________________
Grade: _____________________________
Parents names: _________________________

Parent signature: ________________________(for those under 18)

Please give some thought to the following questions:

Please circle one:
What is your style of being with people?
Quiet Listener One-on-one
Leader Talkative Participant

My attitude toward the Church and religion is:
Positive Confused Angry
Searching Involved Bored

Do you have any particular medical condition we should be made aware of? Do you take prescribed medications? If so, what kind?

Please enclose a $10 nonrefundable deposit and mail to the Office of Evangelization & Catechesis at the address on the opposite side of this brochure.

Make checks out to: Diocese of Madison.

We suggest you keep a full copy of this form for your records.