



“A grain of wheat remains no more than a single grain unless it is dropped to the ground and dies but if it dies, it bears much fruit.”

**RESERVE Your Space NOW for the next
TEC - at Terra Sancta, Rapid City , SD
Dates: January 16-18, 2010**

Early registration is advised – the last weekend was full before the deadline

What is TEC?

- * Catholic Movement of Spirituality for older teens and young adults.
- * TEC is a common name for *Teens Encounter Christ*.
- * TEC begins with a three day retreat experience. In a fun, Christian atmosphere, youth and adults encounter Christ in one another, through experiences in prayer, liturgy, informal discussions, spiritual talks and dialogue with peers and adults.
- * The theme of TEC is the Paschal Mystery of Jesus – His death, resurrection, and sending us forth in His Holy Spirit. TEC is based on solid and up-to-date theological, doctrinal and psychological principles. Begun in 1965 in Battle Creek, MI, it is an intergenerational movement especially designed for young people beginning adulthood who are ready to discover Christ and live in Him in a more personal way. The movement is active in many dioceses in the U.S. and has received the approval of the Pope.
- * TEC is guided by the bishop of the diocese through his appointed director, the Youth Commission and regional TEC boards. The weekend is sponsored by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rapid City.
- * The weekends are conducted by teams of lay adults, teenagers, priests, and religious.

Who is TEC for?

- * TEC is intended for young people 17 years old through early twenties, although mature 16 year olds have also benefitted from TEC.
- * It is experienced best when a young person is ready to begin looking at the direction he or she wants to take in life.
- * With the understanding that TEC is rooted in Catholic doctrine and liturgy, teens of any denomination are welcome to participate.

What Time Does It Begin and End?

The TEC experience begins with registration on Saturday morning at 10:00 am and concludes on Monday evening about 5:00 pm. This full 3 day time frame makes it possible to set the theme of the Paschal Mystery within the real-life experience of the youth. ***Therefore participants need to be present for the entire weekend.***

What To Bring to a TEC Weekend:

Dress clothes for Mass, casual clothes for the rest of the weekend
Personal toiletries, sleeping bag, air mattress, pillow, towels
An open ♥!

Cost: \$50, nonrefundable fee is due with the application (Scholarships available, but applicants are asked to contribute a portion of fee.) The actual cost of the weekend will be determined.

In TEC You Experience:

- ✓ A new and different atmosphere, away from home and school
- ✓ Meeting people from other areas
- ✓ Reflecting and sharing with others how you feel, how you see yourself, your ideals, goals and hopes
- ✓ Finding a GOD you can believe in
- ✓ Encountering Jesus Christ ALIVE today

What do Young Adults Say About TEC??

- † “TEC doesn’t end with the weekend. It takes awhile to understand what it really means.”
- † “I like how everyone was so sincere in their love for Christ, and how everything seems so spontaneous.”
- † “You can say whatever you feel. You get a chance to meet other people and yourself.”
- † “I liked learning more about Jesus Christ, God and just everything about being a true Christian.”
- † “TEC helped me to understand my faith better and begin to take a more active role in my Church.”

***APPLY EARLY - Space is limited to 25 youth/young adults.
DEADLINE is 30 days before the start of the weekend.
Cost: \$50.00***



Black Hills Area TEC Registration Form

What is TEC?

TEC is a Catholic, three-day event open to all Christians age 16 and older. TEC focuses on developing a stronger relationship with Christ, and a deeper understanding of the Church in a fun but challenging format. TEC starts at 10:00 a.m. the first day and end at 5 p.m. the third day. It is not possible to attend only a portion of the event. Participants must be at least 16 or a junior in high school by the time of the TEC¹.

How do I register?

1) Complete all sides of the enclosed registration form and mail it along with your retreat fee² to **TEC Director, PO Box 678, Rapid City, SD 57709-0678**. Registration cannot be processed until all sides of the form have been completed. For information about registration contact Alan Adel, 605-343-1439, amadel@peoplepc.com.

2) Have an adult who knows you fill out the TEC REFERENCE FORM (last page of this booklet) and send it to TEC Director at the above address.

3) A confirmation postcard will be sent to you once the spot is reserved. Approximately 5-7 days before the retreat you will receive a letter providing directions and other important information.

THE NEXT TEC WEEKEND IN THE DIOCESE OF RAPID CITY IS:

January 16-18, 2010

10am on Saturday through 4pm on Monday

Terra Sancta (former St. Martin Monastery)

Located west of Sturgis Road between Black Hawk and Rapid City

Participant Background

Participant Name		Parent/guardian names		
Address		City	State	Zip
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Home phone number	Work phone number	/	/	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
E-mail address	Birthdate (month/day/year)	Age	Gender	

¹ Exceptions may be granted for mature 15-year-olds, subject to an interview with and approval of the TEC Spiritual Director.

² If for some reason you are unable to pay the entire fee, please contact the TEC Director. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. Submission of registration form before the deadline does not guarantee a spot on the weekend. Spots are reserved only after registration form and retreat fee have been received. The fee is nonrefundable.

Participant Background, cont.

Religious denomination

Parish

City of parish

Parents' Names

Parents' Address (If different from above)

Number of brothers & sisters

Have any of them participated in TEC (if yes, who?)

Education and Employment

Check the one that applies to you:

High school

College

Employed full time

Name of high school or college, and year (e.g., junior)

College major

Name of employer and occupation

Describe your participation in school

Retreat Information

How did you hear about TEC? _____

Have you ever made a retreat? If so, please list the retreats you have attended.

Why are you interested in making a TEC Retreat? _____

Who is your patron saint?

(If you don't know know, do you have a favorite saint?)

T-Shirt Size: (Adult) Small Medium Large XL XXL

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Participant Health Information and History

Each participant must fill out this health information. If you are under 18, please have your parent or guardian complete and sign this form.

Participant Name	In case of emergency, notify	Relationship
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Home phone number	Work phone number	Doctor's name
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Clinic's name	Clinic's address	Clinic's phone number
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Insurance Co.	Policy #
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Any medical condition we should be aware of:

Asthma Convulsions Diabetes Fainting spells Other:

N/A List special dietary needs.

N/A List food allergies.

N/A List medication allergies.

Do you have a condition requiring regular medication? Yes No

If yes, what is your condition?

Name of medication	How often is it taken?
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N/A List any activity restrictions you have

Can TEC dispense over-the-counter medications (i.e., Tylenol, Ibuprofen) for minor symptoms?

Yes No

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Authorization for participation in Black Hills Area TEC Retreat Program

This health history is correct to the best of my knowledge. The participant named above has permission to engage in all prescribed activities except as noted. In the event I cannot be reached during an emergency, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the adult leader in charge to hospitalize, secure proper anesthesia, or order injection or surgery for the participant named above.

I give permission for the participant named above to take part in the Black Hills Area TEC Retreat Program. In consideration of the opportunity for them to participate, and fully recognizing that such an undertaking involves an element of risk, I assume all risks and hazards incidental to such participation. I hereby release, absolve, indemnify and agree to hold harmless the Diocese of Rapid City; Black Hills Area TEC, Blessed Sacrament Church, its agents, employees and officers; the chaperones, leaders, organizers and sponsors; and the person transporting the participant to and/or from these activities. Neither the Diocese of Rapid City, Black Hills Area TEC, or any of the aforementioned people shall be held financially responsible for any claims, injury, illness or death incurred as a direct or indirect result of this activity. There is no insurance provided by Black Hills Area TEC, the parish, or the Diocese of Rapid City.

I, the undersigned, have read this release and understand all its terms, and execute it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance.

For Parents of Participants younger than 18:

Parent or Guardian signature

Date

Participants 18 or older, please sign here.

Adult participant signature

Date

Photograph/Video Release Agreement

Can Black Hills Area TEC and/or the Diocese of Rapid City use any photos/video clips taken of the participant during the weekend for use in Diocesan and TEC promotional materials (including printed materials, DVD or website)?

Yes No

Parent/Guardian (if under 18) or adult participant signature

Date

TEC Reference Form

Dear Friend,

The young person who has given you this reference form is making an application to participate in a TEC (Teens Encounter Christ) weekend.

TEC is a Catholic weekend experience in Christian Living which has been especially designed for youth people from 16 years old through early twenties – at the “crossroads of life”. It is an intergenerational program with hundreds of such weekends being held in more than 100 TEC Centers annually since the beginning of the movement in 1965.

TEC is based on solid and up-to-date theological, doctrinal and psychological principles. The testimony of thousands of young people who have participated in the program gives ample and convincing evidence that the TEC movement touches participants in deep and significant ways.

In order for the TEC Team to deal personally and sympathetically with each participant, please take the time to fill out this reference form. Then either get it back to the Teen who gave it to you or mail to:
TEC Director, Diocese of Rapid City, PO Box 678, Rapid City, SD 57709.

All the information and comments will be kept confidential. Also, would you please pray for this person, that TEC may be a positive influence in his/her life?

Should you wish to ask questions about the TEC experience, please feel free to call Gloria Maher at 701-522-3244 (Morristown) or Alan Adel at 605-343-1439 (Rapid City).



TEC Reference Form

Name of TEC Applicant _____

My acquaintance with this person is:

none little average superior very strong

Areas of Leadership:

athletic student government academic community religious arts other

Maturity of young person:

none little average superior very strong

Psychological Adjustment:

loner quiet disliked talkative average domineering balanced well-liked

Attitude toward Religion:

antagonistic enthusiastic involved positive leader

In a discussion group, she/he acts:

quiet very quiet talker involved positive leader

Any additional comments: _____

Reference Name: _____

Address: _____ **Phone:** _____

Thank you ☺

*** The TEC Reference form should be completed by an adult who knows the young person applying for TEC.*

Completed form should be mailed to:

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