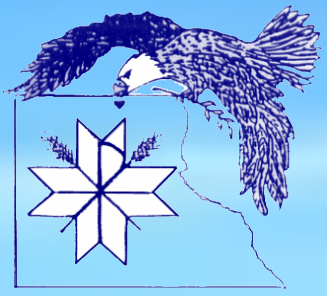




Teca TEC



Diocese of Rapid City
**A CATHOLIC MOVEMENT OF SPIRITUALITY
FOR OLDER ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS (AGES 17-24)**

- ◆ *A three day Catholic young adult retreat experience*
- ◆ *Fun, intergenerational spiritual growth opportunity for older teens/young adults*
- ◆ *Encounter Christ through prayer, liturgy, informal discussions, spiritual talks and dialogue*
- ◆ *Experience the PASCHAL MYSTERY OF JESUS - His death, resurrection, and call to go forth*



Upcoming Weekends:

Hills Area Teca TEC #45 February 18-20, 2012 at *Terra Sancta* in Rapid City

Teca TEC North #46 March 9-11, 2012 at St. Mary's Church in Lemmon

Application forms online at: www.rapidcitydiocese.org click on Youth

For information about TEC in the northern plains, please call Gloria Maher at 701-522-3244 or Lynn Hahne at 605-845-7004.

For information about TEC in the Hills area call Tina Niggemann in Rapid City at 605-348-4145.



RESERVE Your Space NOW for TEC:

**#45 – Hills Area TEC: Feb. 18-20, 2012
(Saturday-Monday) at Terra Sancta**

**# 46 – Teca TEC North: March 9-11, 2012
(Friday-Sunday) in Lemmon, SD**



What is TEC?

- * Catholic Movement of Spirituality for older teens and young adults.
- * TEC is a common name for *Together 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, youth, 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 and young adults of any denomination are welcome to participate.

*For more information send a note to Alan at HillsAreaTEC@gmail.com
or Gloria (north) at glordan@sdplainswb.com.*

Forms are online: www.rapidcitydiocese.org/Ministries/Youth.htm

What Time Does It Begin and End?

The TEC experience begins with registration on the first morning and concludes on the third evening. 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: \$75 nonrefundable fee is due with the application (Scholarships are available, but applicants are asked to contribute a portion of fee.)

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 15 days before the start of the weekend.

Cost: \$75.00

Black Hills Area TEC Registration Form



What is TEC?

TEC is a Catholic, three-day event open to all Christians age 17 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 ends at 4 p.m. the third day. It is not possible to attend only a portion of the event. Participants must be at least 17 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 **Rapid City: TEC Director, 4500 Jackson Blvd, Rapid City, SD 57702**

Teca TEC North: Gloria Maher, 9830 62nd Avenue, Morristown, SD 57645

Registration cannot be processed until all sides of the form have been completed.

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 WEEKENDS IN THE DIOCESE OF RAPID CITY ARE:

February 18-20, 2012 10am on Saturday through 4pm on Monday

The weekend will be held at Terra Sancta. Please arrive at 10am.

March 9-11, 2012 Registration 9-10am on Friday. Ends at 4pm on

Sunday. The weekend will be held at St. Mary's Church in Lemmon.

Please arrive at 9am.

Participant Background

____ () _____ () _____
Participant Name Home Phone Number Cell phone number

____ / ____ / _____ Male Female
E-mail address Birthday (month/day/year) Age Gender

Religious denomination Parish City of parish

Number of brothers & sisters Have any of them participated in TEC (if yes, who?)

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

¹ Exceptions may be granted for mature 16-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.

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

Which TEC Weekend would you like to attend? _____

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, do you have a favorite saint?)

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.

Full Name (Print Clearly) _____ Age _____

Parish _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Health Insurance Carrier _____ Policy # _____

Group # _____ Allergies _____

Dr.'s Name _____ Medications/Medical Conditions _____

Emergency Contact Name _____ Phone _____

N/A List special dietary needs.

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Nature of Risks: I understand that travel to and from the TEC location and events during TEC may involve certain risks beyond the reasonable control of the Diocese and all parishes within it, and their respective officers, directors, volunteers and agents, chaperones or representatives associated with the Diocese of Rapid City, including but not limited to accidents, emergencies, exposure to reckless conduct of persons, and/or negligence of TEC, medical personnel, and the parishes or Diocese of Rapid City et al. disclaim any and all responsibility for any such risks.

Medical Permission for Participant: I hereby grant permission in the event of an emergency or accident for emergency medical care to be administered to myself during the TEC weekend and/or during or after transportation to a hospital or doctor for emergency medical care.

Waiver of Liability/Hold Harmless: By signing this liability waiver, I agree and acknowledge that I may be giving up important legal rights and remedies available to myself, my family, my heirs, successors, and assigns. I agree that if I incur a behavioral infraction or illness requiring dismissal from TEC, or there is an accident or emergency requiring my dismissal from TEC or TEC must be discontinued in the event of an accident or emergency, I will be sent home at my expense, I assume the risk of any loss of any non-refundable or additional costs associated with travel and fees for TEC, with no right of reimbursement or refund for any amount in connection with the Diocese, the parishes of the Diocese, TEC, et al.

Code of Conduct: It is expected that youth and adults will follow directions of all the Diocese of Rapid City and TEC volunteers, respective officers, directors, agents, chaperones or representatives associated therein. **Males and females are not allowed in the same sleeping area.** The use of drugs, tobacco, alcohol or items that endanger people are prohibited. Language and behavior should exemplify Christian values. Respect the rights and property of others. Theft and vandalism will not be tolerated. Clothing must be modest. Any instances of lack of cooperation or insubordination will not be tolerated and will be subject to possible removal and barring from TEC. Parents will be informed of such infraction(s). The participant will be sent home at the participant's expense with no reimbursement or refund.

Photograph permission: I give my permission to be photographed by TEC and/or the West River Catholic and /or the Diocese of Rapid City. These photos will be used for promotional materials or publications including printed materials or website. ___ Check here if you do not want to be photographed.

Cost: \$75.00. The full fee of \$75.00, with this form and the reference form are accepted beginning December 1, 2011.

I fully understand the consequences of and sign this Registration Form, including Medical Permission, Liability Waiver, Permission to Photograph, and Code of Conduct knowingly, freely, and willingly.

Signature of Participant: _____ **Date:** _____

*** Registration cannot be processed until all sides of the form have been completed.*

**PARENTAL PERMISSION IS REQUIRED FOR THOSE UNDER
18 YEARS OF AGE:**

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) _____

Address/City/State/Zip _____

I fully understand the consequences of and sign this Registration Form, including Medical Permission, Liability Waiver, Permission to Photograph, and Code of Conduct knowingly, freely, and willingly.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ **Date:** _____

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TEC Reference Form



Dear Friend,

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

TEC is a Catholic weekend experience in Christian Living which has been especially designed for youth people from 17 years old through early/mid 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 person who gave it to you or mail to the appropriate TEC center, listed below.

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 Tina Niggemann at 605-348-4145 (Rapid City) or email Gloria at glordan@sdplainswb.com or Alan Adel at HillsAreaTEC@gmail.com.

Completed form should be mailed to:

Rapid City: TEC Director c/o Blessed Sacrament Church,
4500 Jackson Blvd, Rapid City, SD 57702

Teca TEC North: Gloria Maher
9830 62nd Avenue, Morristown, SD 57645

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. If the applicant is under 17 years of age or over 25, this form must be completed by the TEC Spiritual Director following a formal interview with the applicant.*

Registration cannot be processed until this form has been completed.